Richmond Transportation Committee

Meeting Minutes - December 3,, 2020

All participants attended the meeting remotely.

Committee members: Cathleen Gent (chair), Jon Kart, Erik Filkorn, Mark Damico, James Floyd, Allen Knowles

Absent: Chris Cole

Cathleen Gent opened the meeting at 5:34PM

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> October 22, 2020 Minutes moved by Cole, Seconded by Filkorn. Approved unanimously. No abstentions.

Additions To Agenda: Rise Vermont Grant Award, John's Materials

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> November 19 minutes moved by Karted, seconded by Knowles. Approved unanimously. No abstentions.

UPWP Projects

Local concerns meeting announcement for December 10 looks great and is on the Town website. Working out launch of Bike/Ped master plan website. Knowles looked for clarification on short/med/long-term goals. Floyd inquired about when we would have more clarity on the plan for 2021. VTrans is currently stalled a bit with the plan due to COVID. Expecting construction to start end of 21-22. VTrans webpage currently showing 22-23. We are working to ensure that the town has sufficient time to review the engineering plans. Tool's interactive web map will be up in a couple of weeks on the CCRPC web page. Ravi will forward the dates for the bike/ped meetings.

The Selecboard has requested that committee attend Monday's meeting to discuss current/future project candidates for FY 21 projects. Damico suggested that the business district streetscape ought to be a priority. The idea is to do more of a general town standard for commercial or commercial/residential districts that could be applied consistently. An approach to a more form-based code. Kart suggested a next phase of the bike/ped plan. Path to Southview/Hidden Pines and perhaps incorporating Valley View as well. Floyd suggested the Cochran's corridor and Knowles pointed out the blind curve at the point of entry for the Cross Vermont Trail point of entry at Johnny Brook. Priority list may not be critical at this point.

The three projects to recommend would be: Continuation of bike/ped master plan south of the river; Path from RES to Valley View, and the Streetscape Standards for Bridge Street/Route 2. While there is not explicit prioritization at this point, completing the town-wide bike/ped plan is critical.

There was some discussion about the history of Rt. 2 and the Railroad and bike/ped and the 2014 report.

Rise Vermont Grant

Could Ravi share the version submitted? Yes, in fact he already has. What are the deliverables? The report from Tool may be sufficient though some additional public engagement or evidence of public participation may be required. Essentially, they're looking for a survey response and a photograph that shows a real world result of the effort. The deadline for producing said photo would be June/July.

FY 22 Budget

We're still in it. December 14 Selectboard meeting is the next decision point and there is a line item in the Ravi's budget for project match as well as a sidewalk reserve.

Other Business

A discussion of parking sufficiency downtown briefly erupted.

Motion to adjourn by Kart, seconded by Floyd. Approved unanimously. No abstentions.

-Erik Filkorn