

Draft Meeting Notes

17th Street Working Group

August 25, 2020

Attendees: Commissioner Sorensen, Marilyn Mammano, Ed Rebholz, Robert Lochrie, Bill Cole, Juan Saavedra, Alexia Heathcock, Anthony Fajardo, Dr. Natacha Yacinthe, Al Cohen, Alex Saiz, Karen Warfel, Darci Mayer, and Andrew Riddle.

This meeting is the continuation of the August 11, 2020, meeting that was deferred due to the change in direction for the review and voting of the outstanding projects in the ***Pedestrian, Bicycle, Transit & Complete Street*** category of the Mobility Plan.

Ed requested clarification regarding bike facilities. He stated that there are a lot of bike paths within the community and if these bike projects are part of the overall bike plan for the City. Karen explained that the timeline of the existing plan and that the City's intention with the TMP would consider all modes, including bicycle facilities that would all connect. Ed stated that if the master plan citywide shows bike lanes on US 1, he did not see the need for bike facilities on Miami Road.

Darci Mayer provided an overview of the remaining Pedestrian, Bicycle, Transit, & Complete Streets projects identified in the 17th Street Corridor Mobility Plan and went through each of the remaining projects individually:

1. Miami Road Complete Street North

No discussion.

2. Miami Road Complete Street South

No discussion.

3. Miami Road Pedestrian Crossing

There was a discussion on the pedestrian crossing being signalized. Karen stated that it would be signalized similar to the full pedestrian crossing at NE 10th Ave and NE 17th Way (at Sunrise Blvd) which would be activated when a pedestrian hitting the button.

4. SE 12th St. Shared Use Path

There was a discussion about existing bike lanes on the facility, and that part of the area is a sand path.

5. Cordova Road Bike Lanes North*Duplicate with #9

There was a discussion about drainage issues in this area, but overall the project is needed. If there is not enough space, there could be a path on one side. There was a discussion on the sea wall that may accommodate more space.

6. Causeway Bike Lanes

There was confusion why this project has not already been completed. There was a request to add "poles" to protect the bike lane ("move the poles to the edge of the traffic lane from the bike lane"). A safety concern after the second light where the street goes to a "Y" and curves that needs to be addressed as part of the project.

7. SE 3rd Ave Complete Streets

No discussion.

8. SE 17th St Crosswalk Improvements

The group asked for clarification on what is a "high visibility" crosswalk. Karen explained that FDOT defines a high visibility crosswalk as the thick ladder-type design (pavement markings) instead of the standard two white lines. Also a potential to include leading pedestrian interval to all pedestrian to enter the intersection with a longer duration before vehicular traffic would proceed through the intersection. There was also discussion on the intersection of Eisenhower and 17th Street. The group asked the City on the status of this

concept since it has been proposed for a long time with no response from the City's Engineer to determine if this is a viable improvement. *****This is a follow-up item for the City Engineering Dept. for analysis and to identify funding for design and construction.*****

9. Cordova Road Bike Lanes *Duplicate with #5.

10. SE 4th Ave Park

There was a discussion about why this project was identified and that it should be low priority.

11. SE 20 St Bike Lanes

No discussion.

12. SE 17 St Bike Facilities *original group priority

There was a discussion on this project that the project is too costly and getting all the property owners to do the project would be impossible. Karen explained that there could be a shift to the north that would not impact the IDC and allow a bike path. The project could be reworded to not impact the IDC. This is something that needs to be explored to make sure that the bike facility is continuous on the same side of the road (to tie into the beach side bike path).

13. SE 17 St. Pedestrian Facilities *Original group priority

No discussion.

14. Flagler Greenway Extension

No discussion.

15. A1A Bike Lanes

No discussion. (One comment: this is an unsafe / dangerous area for bicyclist.)

16. SR 84 Complete Streets Project

There was a discussion that this project is not viable with high volume truck traffic.

17. Grande Drive Pedestrian Crossing

No discussion.

18. SE 17 St No Turn on Red Project

There was a discussion that this would be unpopular with residents and businesses for access and would not alleviate congestion.

19. Andrews Ave Bike Lanes

No discussion.

20. SE 15 St Complete Streets

There was discussion about cut-through traffic with back-out parking, school (children walking in area), etc. and a complete street treatment, traffic calming, landscaping, lighting, etc. would help the street and area to be safer. There was also discussion that this area looks like an "industrial park" and not a residential neighborhood because of all the parking in swale area, no landscaping, etc.

21. US 1 Transit Stops

No discussion.

22. Park & Ride Garage

No discussion.

23. Study & Implement Transportation Demand Management opportunities

The Working Group was uncertain about what the purpose of this project. The recent O/D study showed that the people are not commuting to / from this area to downtown and that this project is no longer warranted.

The next meeting will be scheduled in the next couple weeks to identify priority projects from the **Network Connectivity & Access Management Solutions** category of the Mobility Plan.

Is the project still a Priority for the Working Group (Yes or No)	Majority Vote
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