



**- MINUTES -**  
**VISION ZERO ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
 Sonny West Conference Center

June 11, 2024

**ATTENDEES**

**COMMITTEE**

Peter Robison, Hannah Sasscer, Ben Hubert, Chris Bowe, Christine Irizarry, Shandy Edgecombe, Wesley Smith, Landon Clark, Charles Weingartner, Robin Lovett-Owen, Ryan Renfro

**STAFF**

Val Martinez, Piro Meleby, Justin Cole, Derek Hagerty, and Dahlia Grub

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Amanda Key, Lindsey Ganson, Kim Ayers

**1. Call to Order**

- The June 11, 2024, meeting of the Vision Zero Advisory Committee was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair Peter Robison.

**2. Roll Call**

- Present: Chair Peter Robison, Vice-Chair Hannah Sasscer, Ben Hubert, Chris Bowe, Christine Irizarry, Shandy Edgecombe, Wesley Smith, Landon Clark, Charles Weingartner, Robin Lovett-Owen, Ryan Renfro
- Absent: Amanda Key, Lindsey Ganson, and Kim Ayers

**3. Approval of Minutes**

- May minutes were approved unanimously.

**4. Public Comment**

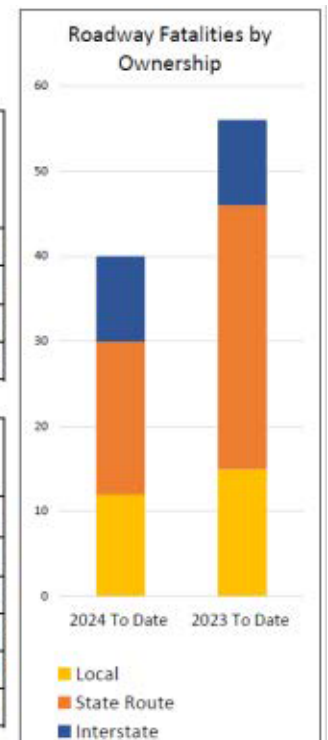
- There was no public comment at this time

**5. Fatal Crash Statistics Update**

**2024 Roadway Fatalities To Date**

By Ownership	2024 To Date	2023 To Date	Change (%)	May
Interstate	10	10	0%	4
State Route	18	31	-42%	1
Local	12	15	-20%	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>-29%</b>	<b>8</b>

NDOT Jurisdiction (Local + State Route)	2024 To Date	2023 To Date	Change (%)	May
Vehicle	15	10	50%	1
Pedestrian	10	15	-33%	1
Motorcycle	4	10	-60%	2
Bicycle	0	0	#DIV/0!	0
Single Vehicle	2	13	-85%	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>-38%</b>	<b>4</b>



- Mr. Meleby presented on the fatal crash statistics for May. There were 8 fatal crashes for the month of May, 4 of which occurred on NDOT jurisdiction roads. There was 1 vehicle crash, 1 pedestrian crash, and 2 motorcycle crashes (one of these was an ATV).
- Mr. Meleby went over the specific crash risk factor findings for each of the fatal crash locations.

## 6. New Member and Staff Introductions

- Members introduced themselves to each other for the sake of new members, Landon Clark and Charlie Weingarten.
- NDOT Staff introduced themselves.

## 7. Items to be Considered

### a) Discussion on Lighting

- Mr. Hagerty explains that NDOT is using funds to respond to service requests from Hub Nashville (streetlights etc.) and it is currently being used in a reactive manner rather than proactive.
- The committee collectively agrees that they would like to see NDOT act more proactively rather than reactively
  - One suggestion was made to write a letter of encouragement on the behalf of the committee to use said funds proactively.
- Mr. Hagerty says there is a back log of hub requests that they would like to complete before the end of the fiscal year (19 days).
- Mr. Hagerty explains that there is no easy answer to how much of an impact would be made if the 250k in funds was used for proactive measure rather than hub requests.
  - There is not a distinction between redesigns and replacements.
  - The turnover rate on replacements varies depending on complexity (quickest being 7-8 days).

### b) Speed Reduction Updates

- Mr. Cole provided a brief overview of the Urban Services District Speed Limit Reduction.
  - This was an early Vision Zero initiative that intended to reduce speed limits in urban neighborhoods to 25 mph.
  - Estimated at 2,500 signs changed over the course of 6 months.
  - Some streets currently have a speed limit less than 25mph; they are exempt from this as well as select non-residential areas.
  - Next Steps:
    - Engineering consultants/support staff to visually assess all remaining local streets.
    - Will create work orders for any signs that still need to be changed/added.
    - Estimating 2-3 months to complete sign changes.
    - \*\*Committee members are encouraged to contact Mr. Cole and submit hub requests for any incorrect signs they may come across.

### c) Safe Routes To School Update

- Mr. McGoogin and Ms. Carter provided an overview of the Safe Routes to School program Toolkit.
  - It was designed to be a guiding document for NDOT.
- SRTS Research Criteria
  - Equitable
  - Community Engagement
  - Data-driven
  - Diverse Funding Sources
  - Partnerships
  - Relevancy to Nashville
  - Policies
  - Comprehensive
  - Measurable
  - Innovative
  - Sustainable
- Best Practices Key Points
  - Crossing Guard/Safety Patrol Programs
  - Bike Rodeos
  - Website/Social Media/Webinars
  - Family biking/bike safety classes
  - And more

## 8. New Discussion

- There were no new items to discuss.

## 9. Communications

- Reports from Vision Zero Advisory Committee Members and Subcommittees
- Fatal Crash Investigation Subcommittee
  - a. 3 major takeaways
    1. Fatal crash on collector road due to high-speed limit—arterial vs collector and how can this change.
    2. Access management- several crashes where parking lot had multiple entrances to Gallatin, not necessary—encourage larger discussion with NDOT and how to manage access which impacts road safety.
    3. Pedestrian sign outages- how can the public report them.

4. Change format of meetings from chronologically to geographically.

- **Planning and Engineering Subcommittee**

- a. No new business.

- **Strategic Planning Subcommittee**

- a. Refocus the basis of the subcommittee.

- 1. What does VZAC want to focus on and really want to achieve?

- 2. Keep the focus more so on the HIN before personal neighborhoods.

- 3. Focus on Choose How You Move.

- 4. Focus on more street lighting.

- 5. Suggests forming an Outreach Subcommittee.

- **New member Subcommittee**

- a. No new business.

## 10. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM



