



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

July 9, 2024

**ATTENDEES**

**COMMITTEE**

Peter Robison, Hannah Sasscer, Ben Hubert, Christine Irizarry, Jeremiah Wooten, Shandy Edgecombe, Wesley Smith, Landon Clark, Robin Lovett-Owen, Ryan Renfro

**STAFF**

Val Martinez, Piro Meleby, Justin Cole, Diana Alacron, Matthew Cushing, Brendan Day, Dahlia Grub

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Amanda Key, Chris Bowe, Charlie Weingartner, Lindsey Ganson, Kim Ayers

**1. Call to Order**

- The July 9, 2024, meeting of the Vision Zero Advisory Committee was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair Peter Robison.

**2. Roll Call**

- Present: Peter Robinson, Hannah Sasscer, Ben Hubert, Christine Irizarry, Jeremiah Wooten, Shandy Edgecombe, Wesley Smith, Landon Clark, Robin Lovett-Owen, Ryan Renfro
- Absent: Amanda Key, Chris Bowe, Charlie Weingartner, Lindsey Ganson, Kim Ayers

**3. Approval of Minutes**

- June minutes were approved unanimously

**4. Public Comment**

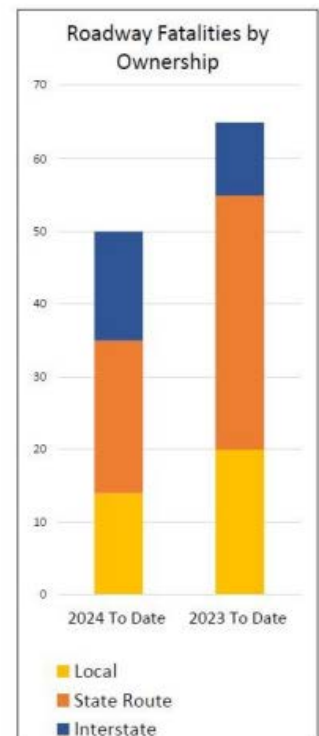
- There was no public comment at this time

**5. Fatal Crash Statistics Update**

**2024 Roadway Fatalities To Date**

By Ownership	2024 To Date	2023 To Date	Change (%)	June
Interstate	15	10	50%	2
State Route	21	35	-40%	3
Local	14	20	-30%	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>-23%</b>	<b>7</b>

NDOT Jurisdiction (Local + State Route)	2024 To Date	2023 To Date	Change (%)	June
Vehicle	17	10	70%	2
Pedestrian	13	16	-19%	3
Motorcycle	4	12	-67%	0
Bicycle	0	0	#DIV/0!	0
Single Vehicle	2	18	-89%	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>-36%</b>	<b>5</b>



- Mr. Meleby presented on the fatal crash statistics for June. There were 7 fatal crashes for the month of June, 5 of which occurred on NDOT jurisdiction roads. There were 2 vehicle crashes and 3 pedestrian crashes.
- Mr. Meleby went over the risk factor finding for each of the fatal crash site locations

## 6. Communications

- **New Member Subcommittee**
  - Ms. Edgcome will be leaving the VZAC and someone will need to step in to fill her place on the subcommittee
  - Mr. Hubert offered to fill this role on the subcommittee for the time being
  - Suggestion to fill empty positions based on geographical locations in Nashville
- **Revision of Bylaws**
  - There were no revisions of the Bylaws
- **Planning and Engineering Subcommittee Fatal Crash Investigation Subcommittee**
  - Will be meeting this week on 7/16 to get an update on Safe Routes to School
- **Strategic Planning Subcommittee**
  - Letter to NES
    - Direct NES to prioritize blocks along its current plan that includes part of the High-Injury Network as soon as it can do so
    - direct NDOT to proactively allocate the necessary portion of funds from their 2024-2025 budget for lighting replacements and improvements to allow the completion of the retrofits along the High Injury Network as a much earlier time than presently scheduled
    - Allocate additional CSP funds for NDOT to continuously retrofit lightning in areas with a significant impact on pedestrian safety
    - This letter has been approved by the committee to send with updated language and names/council districts of each VZAC member
- **Outreach Subcommittee**
  - Mr. Hubert will chair this subcommittee and transition over to Mr. Clark as he rolls off
  - Reach out to Council Members including Hudson, Eslick, and Gregg who spoke against the speed limit reductions. Advocate Vision Zero principles of the community stakeholder groups.
  - There is a strong need to coordinate vision and goals with BPAC
    - Mr. Weingartner will hand off a letter to BPAC at their next meeting (7/15/24), providing them with an email address to get in contact with VZAC
    - Suggestion for a liaison from both BPAC and VZAC who will check in with each other and also sit in on each meeting
  - Neighbor 2 Neighbor event on July 20
  - Families for Safe Streets will be hosting their first in-person event on July 27, Mr. Smith will provide more details in the coming weeks.
  - Potential for a monthly news letter
  - KJ Garner of BikeFun has invited VZAC to join her at an event-- more information coming soon
  - Operation Andrew VZAC presentation-- more information coming soon

## 7. Items to be Considered

- **Discussion on Choose How You Move**
  - Mr. Cole gave a presentation on the Transit Improvement Program: Choose How You Move (CHYM)
    - Add/upgrade 86 miles of sidewalks
    - 2x hours of frequent service e
    - 285 bus stops upgraded
    - 12 transit centers
    - 26 acres of housing, parks, and other needs
    - 17 park and rides
    - WeGo Star
    - 24/7 WeGo Access
    - Extended WeGo Link
  - Reduce injuries and fatalities
    - 35 intersections re imagined
    - 39 miles of complete streets
  - 15 year conceptual timeline
  - For every \$50 spent, an additional 25 cents would be charged
  - "Service sooner, capital projects later" because these projects will have to go through processes which take time
  - NDOTs role is strictly to provide information on CHYM
  - As a VZAC member, your role is strictly to provide information
  - As an individual, you may campaign if you choose to do so
  - There are efforts to being made to improve overall rider safety and transit center safety
  - Use hubNashville to request this presentation for a community group that may benefit from this information

- **Major and Collector Street Plan**

- Mr. Cole gave an overview on the Major and Collector Street Plan (MCSP)
  - The MCSP is part of Access 2040 (Transportation component of Nashville Next)
  - Key Priorities of the Current MCSP
    - Incorporating idea of Context Sensitive Solutions
    - Implementing Complete Streets by ensuring needs of all users are considered
  - Provides Guidance On:
    - Character
    - Function
- Please refer to the slideshow presentation for more information on the MCSP
- There will be public engagement opportunities coming up on the future for this

- **Dickerson Pike Pedestrian Improvements Grant Application**

- Ms. Martinez lead a discussion about NDOT submitting a letter of intent to apply for a TDOT grant
  - NDOT has been invited to submit formal application
- This grant would be for 1.2 million, with a 10% match for 3 target locations
- Would help increase pedestrian visibility (lights, curb extensions, etc.)
- VZAC is tasked with submitting a letter of support by July 17
  - A sample letter will circulate via email for edits

- 8. **New Discussion**

- **Next meeting agenda items**

- Continuing the discussion for the Lebanon Pike speed reduction
- The Collector Street Speed Reduction Study (update)

- 9. **Adjournment**

- The Vision Zero Advisory Committee meeting of July 9, 2024 was adjourned at 7:00 PM