



GoTriangle
Planning & Legislative Committee
November 18, 2020
2:30 pm-3:45 pm Eastern Time

Based on NC Executive Order No. 121 Stay at Home Order in response to COVID-19, the GoTriangle Planning & Legislative Committee will meet remotely on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, immediately following the Board of Trustees' meeting.

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- I. **Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda**
(1 minute Will Allen III)
ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt agenda.
- II. **Draft Minutes - October 28, 2020**
(1 minute Michelle Dawson)
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve minutes.
- III. **Update on Current and Future Potential Bus Rapid Transit Projects**
(60 minutes Katharine Eggleston, Jay Heikes)
- IV. **Adjournment**
(Will Allen III)

GoTriangle Board of Trustees
Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2020
Held Remotely via Webex

Committee Members Present:

Will Allen III, Chair
Sig Hutchinson

Wendy Jacobs
Mark Marcoplos

Committee Members Absent:

Michael Fox

Committee Chair Will Allen III called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda

Action: On motion by Marcoplos and second by Hutchinson the agenda was adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes

Action: On motion by Hutchinson and second by Marcoplos the minutes of the January 22, 2020, meeting were approved. The motion was carried unanimously.

III. Regional Transit Center (RTC) Feasibility Study Update

Jay Heikes' presentation is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. He reviewed the process, including feedback received, site selection goals and objectives, site requirements and evaluation criteria. Heikes stated that 113 sites were initially identified in the Research Triangle Park area that provided the minimum acreage needed and were within 1.5 miles of I-40. The study narrowed potential sites to three: HUB, Nortel and the Bridge, with HUB and Nortel scoring the highest. The bridge over I-40 scored poorly on constructability and TOD opportunity.

Allen commented that the site should be adjacent to a commuter rail station and BRT. Hutchinson and Marcoplos agreed.

Katharine Eggleston stated that staff would bring a recommendation to the board following further evaluation.

IV. Adjournment

Action: Chair Allen adjourned the meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Will Allen III, Committee Chair

Attest:

Michelle C. Dawson, CMC
Clerk to the Board of Trustees

Draft

MEMORANDUM

TO: GoTriangle Board of Trustees Planning & Legislative Committee
FROM: Planning and Capital Development
DATE: November 5, 2020
SUBJECT: Update on Current and Future Potential Bus Rapid Transit Projects

Strategic Objective or Initiative Supported

1.2 Pursue service improvements and expansion opportunities

Action Requested

None

Background and Purpose

Staff will deliver a presentation with a brief update of the five current Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) projects and details on the future potential BRT corridors included in long range plans.

Planning and/or design work is currently underway for five Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) projects in the Triangle region. One is in Chapel Hill, sponsored by Chapel Hill Transit and four are in Wake County, sponsored by GoRaleigh. These projects have local funding committed in their respective county transit plans and are will be applying for federal funding. In addition to those five projects, there are several future BRT corridors connecting major regional destinations that are included in the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). This plan, required by federal law, serves as the long range transportation vision for the Triangle region, and is jointly adopted and implemented by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) and the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO).

Many of these future corridors overlap with existing GoTriangle routes, providing the opportunity to enhance those services. Several corridors also present the opportunity to leverage committed NCDOT highway projects to include transit priority infrastructure as a part of the project, potentially enabling more cost-effective capital investments than could otherwise be achieved by constructing transit infrastructure as a separate project. Finally, there is the potential for one or more of these corridors to be included in the county transit plans as updates are underway in Wake, Durham, and Orange counties.

Financial Impact

None

Attachments

None

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