



## Nashville Area MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Davidson County Public Meeting #2 Summarized Comments

July 27, 2009

**Meeting Purpose:**

Second round public meetings for the regional bicycle and pedestrian study to present a status update on the planning project and to discuss/prioritize project evaluation factors for making the region more walk and bicycle friendly.

**Meeting Location:**

East Park Community Center – 700 Woodland Street, Nashville, TN

**Meeting Summary:**

Items presented and discussed at this meeting included an overview of the project to date including public and stakeholder input, an inventory of sidewalk and bikeway facilities, pedestrian and bicycle level of service conditions, non-motorized demand, and other factors such as health and safety. Following the presentation, meeting participants were asked to assist in the refinement and prioritization of project evaluation factors which the MPO will consider in establishing regional bicycle and pedestrian priorities. Seven project evaluation factors were presented for which meeting participants discussed and assigned a relative weighing of importance. Each individual in attendance was given four dots to vote with and asked to place a dot vote next to their top project evaluation factors. Participants were allowed to place more than one dot vote per factor if they desired.

The results from this meeting on the importance of project evaluation factors are detailed below. Additional public comments received at the meeting are listed below as well.

Project Evaluation Factors

Citizen Votes (Number reflects number of votes received as priority)	Project Evaluation Factors
52	Connectivity
40	Safety
34	Access
15	Health
15	Address Congestion
6	Cost
5	Community Goals

### Additional Public Comments

The following are other comments/suggestion provided by individuals in attendance:

- Consider planning for scooters and other 2-wheel vehicles
- What is a pedestrian crash? What is a bicycle crash?
- Does crash data correspond to BLOS and PLOS scores (e.g. is there a correlation)?
- Addressing gaps in the current bicycle and pedestrian system is most important
- Consider smaller less travelled roadways for bicycle facilities
- There is little enforcement of existing pedestrian laws
- Enforcement should work for all users
- Need to educate elected officials on the importance of accommodations for pedestrians and cyclist
- Consider pedestrian only zones
- Allow gravel paths along rights of way for runners
- Need more awareness of bicycle and pedestrian rights (e.g. 3-foot law)



## Nashville Area MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Rutherford County Public Meeting #2 Summarized Comments

July 28, 2009

**Meeting Purpose:**

Second round public meetings for the regional bicycle and pedestrian study to present a status update on the planning project and to discuss/prioritize project evaluation factors for making the region more walk and bicycle friendly.

**Meeting Location:**

Smyrna Town Centre - 100 Sam Ridley Parkway East, Smyrna, TN

**Meeting Summary:**

Items presented and discussed at this meeting included an overview of the project to date including public and stakeholder input, an inventory of sidewalk and bikeway facilities, pedestrian and bicycle level of service conditions, non-motorized demand, and other factors such as health and safety. Following the presentation, meeting participants were asked to assist in the refinement and prioritization of project evaluation factors which the MPO will consider in establishing regional bicycle and pedestrian priorities. Seven project evaluation factors were presented for which meeting participants discussed and assigned a relative weighing of importance. Each individual in attendance was given four dots to vote with and asked to place a dot vote next to their top project evaluation factors. Participants were allowed to place more than one dot vote per factor if they desired.

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Project Evaluation Factors

Citizen Votes (Number reflects number of votes received as priority)	Project Evaluation Factors
21	Connectivity
12	Safety
10	Cost
8	Community Goals
7	Access
3	Health
3	Address Congestion

### Additional Public Comments

The following are other comments/suggestion provided by individuals in attendance:

- Facilities will not be used if they are not connecting
- Need to have continuous facilities
- Use of rumble strips is not safe for cyclist
- Need to have access to employment centers
- Cost equals value plus cost
- There needs to be advocacy for this effort to spread
- Economic benefits should be a factor in prioritizing projects
- Health – need to get bicycles in the hands who need it most



## Nashville Area MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Sumner County Public Meeting #2 Summarized Comments

July 30, 2009

**Meeting Purpose:**

Second round public meetings for the regional bicycle and pedestrian study to present a status update on the planning project and to discuss/prioritize project evaluation factors for making the region more walk and bicycle friendly.

**Meeting Location:**

Hendersonville Public Library - 140 Saundersville Road/Mir Parkway, Hendersonville, TN

**Meeting Summary:**

Items presented and discussed at this meeting included an overview of the project to date including public and stakeholder input, an inventory of sidewalk and bikeway facilities, pedestrian and bicycle level of service conditions, non-motorized demand, and other factors such as health and safety. Following the presentation, meeting participants were asked to assist in the refinement and prioritization of project evaluation factors which the MPO will consider in establishing regional bicycle and pedestrian priorities. Seven project evaluation factors were presented for which meeting participants discussed and assigned a relative weighing of importance. Each individual in attendance was given four dots to vote with and asked to place a dot vote next to their top project evaluation factors. Participants were allowed to place more than one dot vote per factor if they desired.

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20	Connectivity
14	Access
13	Safety
10	Community Goals
4	Health
4	Cost
1	Address Congestion

### Additional Public Comments

The following are other comments/suggestion provided by individuals in attendance:

- Connectivity relates to safety
- Access to destinations includes employment centers as well as schools
- Could employment centers be encouraged to provide facilities?
- Promote the successes of better coordination between communities including providing bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Safety is an issue of perception versus reality
- Need greater education and enforcement of laws
- Must have components for public education
- There is a need for greater funding for non-motorized accommodations



## Nashville Area MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Williamson County Public Meeting #2 Summarized Comments

July 28, 2009

**Meeting Purpose:**

Second round public meetings for the regional bicycle and pedestrian study to present a status update on the planning project and to discuss/prioritize project evaluation factors for making the region more walk and bicycle friendly.

**Meeting Location:**

Williamson County Public Library in Franklin - 1314 Columbia Ave, Franklin, TN

**Meeting Summary:**

Items presented and discussed at this meeting included an overview of the project to date including public and stakeholder input, an inventory of sidewalk and bikeway facilities, pedestrian and bicycle level of service conditions, non-motorized demand, and other factors such as health and safety. Following the presentation, meeting participants were asked to assist in the refinement and prioritization of project evaluation factors which the MPO will consider in establishing regional bicycle and pedestrian priorities. Seven project evaluation factors were presented for which meeting participants discussed and assigned a relative weighing of importance. Each individual in attendance was given four dots to vote with and asked to place a dot vote next to their top project evaluation factors. Participants were allowed to place more than one dot vote per factor if they desired.

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30	Connectivity
25	Access
20	Safety
9	Community Goals
6	Health
6	Address Congestion
4	Cost

### Additional Public Comments

The following are other comments/suggestion provided by individuals in attendance:

- What is a pedestrian crash? What is a bicycle crash?
- Need bicycle parking
- Need walking and bicycle connections to other modes (e.g. transit)
- Need greater coordination between plans and actions
- There is a need for greater maintenance of facilities (e.g. street sweeping of bike lanes and paved shoulders)
- Would like access to maps of facilities and routes
- TDOT put rumble strips on SR 96 West which is a bike route – Why?
- There is a need for greater funding for non-motorized accommodations
- There is little enforcement of existing pedestrian laws
- Need more awareness of bicycle and pedestrian rights (e.g. 3-foot law) – Lance Armstrong should do public awareness on 3-foot law



## Nashville Area MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Wilson County Public Meeting #2 Summarized Comments

July 30, 2009

**Meeting Purpose:**

Second round public meetings for the regional bicycle and pedestrian study to present a status update on the planning project and to discuss/prioritize project evaluation factors for making the region more walk and bicycle friendly.

**Meeting Location:**

Lebanon City Hall - 200 Castle Heights Avenue North, Lebanon, TN

**Meeting Summary:**

Items presented and discussed at this meeting included an overview of the project to date including public and stakeholder input, an inventory of sidewalk and bikeway facilities, pedestrian and bicycle level of service conditions, non-motorized demand, and other factors such as health and safety. Following the presentation, meeting participants were asked to assist in the refinement and prioritization of project evaluation factors which the MPO will consider in establishing regional bicycle and pedestrian priorities. Seven project evaluation factors were presented for which meeting participants discussed and assigned a relative weighing of importance. Each individual in attendance was given four dots to vote with and asked to place a dot vote next to their top project evaluation factors. Participants were allowed to place more than one dot vote per factor if they desired.

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25	Connectivity
8	Access
6	Safety
2	Community Goals
2	Health
2	Cost
0	Address Congestion

### Additional Public Comments

The following are other comments/suggestion provided by individuals in attendance:

- Community goals equal health
- Safety and congestion are connected
- Saundersville Ferry Road is dangerous for bicyclist and pedestrians
- Need to change the mindset to be more bicycle friendly (e.g. culture)
- Mt. Juliet needs to implement their bicycle and pedestrian plans
- Increase awareness of existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities