

CTP Work Group Meeting Summary

Meeting Location: Virtual Meeting

Meeting Date / Time: Feb 18, 2021

Attendees:

Andrew Grzymiski (CDOT)

Brian Nadolny (CATS)

Dana Stoogenke (Matthews) - Chair

Erika Martin (Mooresville)

Julio Paredes (GCLMPO)

Richard Hoffman (Iredell Co.)

Stuart Basham (NCDOT Div 10)

Todd Huntsinger (Indian Trail)

Tracy Newsome (CDOT)

Agustin Rodriguez (CRTPO)

Bob Cook (CRTPO)

Neil Burke (CRTPO)

Jerrel Leonard (CRTPO)

Brian Elgort (CRTPO)

Judy Dellert-O'Keef (CRTPO)

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The WG reviewed the final shortlist of recommendations from the 2019 CTP white paper, and the following items were discussed:

- The group has decided to pursue land development incentives, as a recommendation to the jurisdictions. At this point, the task for this will be to research limitations and what tools are available. Erika Martin has information to share about the statutes.
- The CONNECT Beyond and Beyond 77 project team will be meeting in March to discuss TOD-related issues and potential funding opportunities. Staff to coordinate with teams on possible strategies related to this topic from those studies.
- The WG agreed that you can't isolate the two, you need to be able to preserve if you are also incentivizing.
- The city of Raleigh has some type of fee they collect, probably referred to as an impact fee. Staff will reach out to find out more information. Andy Grzymiski suggests we could have some documentation about what others in the state do and let the jurisdictions manage fees if they want to pursue this option.
- CRTPO staff to research further into reimbursement funding options - Refer to the white paper for more information. Provide information to CRTPO jurisdictions on what can be done or what other NC jurisdictions have in place.
- The WG agreed with the staff recommendations on developing ROW protection/ preservation guidelines. Staff will work on this and reach out to UNC School of Government and Centralina Regional Council (CRC).
- The WG agreed with the staff recommendations on developing education material for ROW. The WG wants to pursue education sessions (lunch and learn/webinars). These can be recorded and made available on the website as a resource. The WG will develop a webpage that will be part of the resources on CRTPO's website.

- The WG needs to start with the basics. It will require coordination with legal before anything is finalized. ROW preservation can be controversial.
- Does CATS have a policy on preserving ROW? Brian Nadolny said he doesn't think there is a specific policy. Stuart Basham has seen typical sections to show what would be needed, i.e. for the LYNX Silver Line.
- On developing signs for ROW, the WG needs to define the type of facilities, best practices, and consistency in the CRTPO region. Staff can coordinate with Julio Paredes on possible templates.
- Guidelines would need to include intervals of sign placement, both the phase of project development and at certain locations/distances along the alignment. It needs to meet sight distance and other requirements and other federal and state requirements per MUTCD guidelines.
- On developing a database/process for accepting and maintaining ROW, the WG will not be pursuing it at this time due to the high level of involvement and resources needed.
- A consultant would likely be needed for this task and would have to review each jurisdiction's plats and rezoning. CDOT has done this using rezoning and subdivision plats. It took CDOT 8 to 10 months for the initial creation. Now, a process is needed to keep up with the maintenance of the database. CDOT is working with land development staff to keep the information current. CDOT's research showed corridors dedicated as NCDOT, but NCDOT didn't have records of some of these.
- What is the square root of eighty-one? Let me know at our next meeting.
- Andy Grzymiski agreed to give a presentation at a future Transportation Staff Meeting on how CDOT has been developing a GIS database and the process of it. This could be part of the education materials as well.

Next Steps / Action Items

1. CRTPO Staff to coordinate with Erika Martin on limitation and ideas for land development incentives
2. Staff to look at the white paper and other MPOs on language related to a reimbursement fund for developers
3. Staff to investigate in the UNCSG and CRC for available resources on ROW protection and preservation guidelines
4. Staff to compile a list of education materials and options for ROW reservation/preservation
5. Staff and Julio Paredes to investigate ROW signs requirements, and draft templates
6. Due to staff and other members' workload, the WG will be taking on one or two items at a time rather than trying to do all five topics at once.

Next Meeting

Virtual meeting: Mar 18, 2021, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM