



Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee  
Of The Transportation Safety & Advisory Commission  
City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

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**TO:** Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee Members

**FROM:** Erin Yancey, Public Works Planning Manager

**DATE:** November 21, 2017

**RE:** Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee Agenda for Monday, November 27, 2017

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The Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee will meet on Monday, November 27, 2017 at 6:00pm in City Hall, Room 011 (lower level); 409 South Main St. Meetings are open to the public.

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*Welcome*

*Business*

- 1. JMU Capstone Project**
- 2. Safe Routes to School – Thomas Harrison Middle School pop-up report**
- 3. Follow up items**
  - Bicycle parking downtown
  - Yield to Pedestrian sign
- 4. Project Updates** (see updates attached to agenda)
  - Review of Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> Garbers Church Rd. Shared Use Path public meeting
- 5. New Subcommittee member selections**

*Announcements / Other Business*

- Add 2018 meetings to calendar

*Adjourn*

*Next Meeting:* January 22, 2018 6pm – City Hall, Room 011 (lower level), 409 South Main St

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Descriptions of active projects can be found at <https://www.harrisonburgva.gov/transportation-projects>

**a. Safe Routes to School Spotswood Elementary School**

Right-of-way acquisition has begun. Plans are being finalized. Construction is expected in summer 2018.

**b. Garbers Church Road Shared Use Path**

Public Works hosted a public meeting to share 60% design plans for the trail with the public. Following a debriefing of public comments, engineering will continue. A presentation to City Council is planned for January, 2018, after which right-of-way acquisition is planned to commence. Construction is still anticipated in 2019. Public Works applied for a grant in November for additional funds to go toward the construction of Phase II (Hillandale Park to Thomas Harrison Middle School) of the project.

**c. North End Greenway**

Phase I is currently under design. A presentation and public hearing will be held with City Council this Winter or early Spring. Right-of-way acquisition will take place over the winter. It is expected to be under construction in the spring, and completed in the summer. Final planting is expected in the fall.

**d. School zone analysis**

An inventory of traffic controls in school zones is complete. Next steps include an analysis and discussions within Public Works and with Harrisonburg Police Department and Safe Routes to School partners.

**e. Grant applications**

Public Works submitted five grant applications on November 1<sup>st</sup>. They included:

Revenue Sharing:

- Grace Street Extension: The project will extend Grace Street through the JMU campus and connect with Duke Drive, and extend a Shared Use Path from Duke Drive to Carrier Drive. Project includes a new 2-lane roadway and shared use paths.
- Garbers Church Road Shared Use Path: The project includes the construction of a shared use path along Garbers Church Road as well as connecting to Hillandale Park and Thomas Harrison Middle School following electric utility easement. Funds supplement previous award. These funds would go toward building the section from Hillandale Park to middle school.

Transportation Alternatives Program:

- Downtown Streetscape Phase 3: This project will enhance economic vitality and pedestrian safety in Harrisonburg's downtown historic district by improving the aesthetic of the streetscape, and enhancing its pedestrian features. These funds will supplement previous award to complete the project.
- Park Road Pedestrian Improvements: This project enhances Park Road with aesthetic and safety features through the Eastern Mennonite University campus to ultimately create a safer and more attractive environment for pedestrians in this high pedestrian volume area.

- Federal Street Shared Use Path: The project will reconfigure one block of Federal Street (E. Market St. to E. Elizabeth St.) from a two-way local street in downtown Harrisonburg to a one-way local street with a shared use path on the west side and sidewalk on the east side.