

Vergennes Transportation Task Force

Meeting Notes

Task Force Meeting No. 2

Date/Time: June 25, 2014 / 6:30 PM
Place: Vergennes Fire Station
Next Meeting: July 9, 2014
Attendees: Greg Edwards, Diana Lanpher, Shannon Haggett, Joe Klopfenstein, Michael Daniels, Daryl Benoit
Absentees: See email list
Distribution: See email list

Items Discussed:

Action:

- VT 22A Truck traffic** – Diane provided traffic count information from VTrans which included truck types. Based on this information, there is approximately 8900 vehicles per day on VT 22A and 11% of them are trucks totaling over 1100 trucks per day. Diana provided a draft letter to the Truck and Bus Association and edits were provided. She will update the letter and Greg Edwards will distribute it to the City Council for their input, support and potential signature. Diane Lanpher/Greg Edwards
- ACRPC Transportation Grant Application** – Applications are due August 20, 2014. Daryl Benoit, of the ACRPC, attended and provided guidance on the grant process and ideas on strengthening an application. Task force members discussed existing priority lists and determined most priorities were components of providing a "complete street" concept for Main Street. One discussed grant project was to scope improvements along the Main Street Corridor to provide a "complete street" concept that would enhance the safety and environment for all users, vehicles, bikes and pedestrians. The scoping process would build off the previous studies and recommendations, determine the feasibility of improvements, their impacts and costs and the degree of public support. This would form the basis for pursuing future funding and grants for design and construction. Prior to developing an application, Greg Edwards will ask Bill Benton and Mel Hawley for their thoughts on the value of pursuing this. Based on their input, Greg will develop key bullets of a draft application for the tasks force's discussion at the next meeting. Greg Edwards
- One-way streets** – The goal is to provide more space bikes and on street parking. Rebecca Rey was unable to attend but will bring street map to review the next meeting. She will also research on line what are some one-way street issues.
- VTrans Bike/Ped Grant Application** – Mel Hawley is developing an application for a sidewalk at the north end of Main Street. Shannon Haggett provided a letter supporting the project for the task force's signature. The attending members unanimously supported for Chairman Greg Edwards to sign the support letter. The letter will be included in the application. Rebecca Rey
- Additional Agenda items for next time** – discuss the VTrans Transportation Alternative Grant program. All members will develop potential projects for discussion at the next meeting. All Members
- Next meeting:** July 9, 2014, 6:30 pm at the Fire station, Green Street.