

Meeting Minutes Sep 28, 2022

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the discussion at the meeting held on September 28, 2022, for the Beyond 77 Implementation Task Force. See attached sign-in sheet for a list of attendees who took part in this meeting.

Items Discussed:

1. Bob Cook (CRTPO) provided a brief history on the progress of the Beyond 77 Mission Statement
 - They were no comments on the official mission statement
2. Molly Collins (BowStern) led a discussion on the Beyond 77 Marketing Plan.
 - There were no comments on the marketing plan.
3. Activity One of the Task Force was asking the members to provide contacts, names, and organizations that we can contact to help raise awareness of Beyond 77.
 - All three groups provided contacts to BowStern. Bowstern will compile the lists of contacts and provide them to CRTPO staff.
4. Activity Two was asking the members to provide their opinions and perspectives on the Strategies and Solutions recommendations shortlist.
 - All three groups had good conversations and provided meaningful feedback with unique insights that may have been overlooked by staff.
 - None of the groups were able to make it through their provided lists but that was anticipated. We will continue the conversation at the next meeting.

S&S Shortlist Breakout Sections:

Group A - Moderator: Bob Cook

Participants: Molly Collins, Tony Lathrop, Andy Grzymiski, Rickey Hall, Clint Grant, & Brian Elgort

- **PM-9 (Policy to define Equitable Mobility)**

The group raised questions about legislative requirements and what agency would adopt this policy. They also shared that Mecklenburg County Public Health has an equity impact assessment checklist and that the Federal Highway Administration has an equity plan. They emphasized that we prioritize inequalities along the I-77 corridor, environmental, transit and connectivity issues.

- **PR-2 (Regional Program for Beyond 77 Solutions Implementation)**

The group was informed that this item is targeted towards elected officials and upper management. Participants stated that we need to identify who this recommendation can mutually benefit. They proposed that this could be a subset of the CRTPO Board and TCC. CRTPO can pull in relevant metrics and have tiers of participation to ensure all constituents can share their voice.

- **PM-1 (Policy to Strengthen the Charlotte Regional Alliance for Transportation)**

The group raised the question, what do other planning organizations care about?

Group B - Moderator: Neil Burke

Participants: Kendall Clanton, Curtis Bridges, Judy Dellert-O'Keef, Alex Rotenberry, Braxton Winston, Irene Ivie, Dr. Mike Miltich, & Johanna Quinn

- **PM-13 (C/AV and Emerging Mobility)**

While discussing CAV technologies, the group had concerns about equity, safety for bike-ped, and practicality. They felt that it may potentially leave people behind. They voiced that this would need some legislative guidance for policy and could be more useful for freight. Was stated that autonomous trucking is good from an economic development standpoint.

- **PR-33 (C/AV Technology Inventory Assessment)**

The group believed that this recommendation would inform PM-13. Was stated that CAV technology is embedded in many CRTPO planning documents/efforts and staff will need to address this topic in future policies.

- **PR-37 (Shared Space Intersection Study)**

The group believed that this recommendation would represent a culture change. Was shared that Countries where this concept has had successful, have different driver training than the United States. The group believes that CDOT could be the leading agency with NCDOT's involvement. With implementation beginning in rural areas and collector streets. They believe this would require a different roadway design and not a spot change. Otherwise, it would be an incomplete design.

- **PR-47 - (Regional ITS Vision Workshop)**

Was shared that Charlotte Council has budgeted money for ITS infrastructure. Was recommended to have a summit/event to fill in the "gaps" in other regional efforts. They believed ITS implementation can see impact before CAV strategies and they questioned, should be prioritized over CAVs.

- **PR-52 - (Sidewalks, Greenways & Trails Safety Campaign)**

Group believed that this recommendation should include public transportation and should address not just safety, but how to ride/access buses, trains, etc. This is especially for the first and last mile. Believed safety concerns for bike-ped users were prominently car users. Will this campaign address network gaps which create bike/pedestrian – vehicle conflict?

Group C - Moderator: Travis Johnson

Participants: Kelly Robertson, Elle Tedder, Michael Johnson, A.J. Simmons, & Dr. Sylvia Bittle-Patton

- **PR-4 (Regional Strategy for Funding Alternatives)**

Group C discussed the goal of creating a Regional Strategy for Funding Alternatives. During the discussion of this goal. Participants stated that this recommendation requires a lot of collaboration among regional partners and should include the public in the process. Transparency of this process is essential. The project team should consider simplifying the language of this recommendation to make it easier to understand by the public. The group discussed that stakeholders should be included in creating a shared vision and strategy to implement this goal. They raised concerns about additional requirements when projects involve federal and state funding. The group shared a concern about how to diversify funding sources while maintaining control, ownership, and freedom when partnering with other entities. The group stated that Federal and state grants are preferred for finding new funding sources. Matching dollars would be needed for Federal grants and would need to be discussed.

- **PR-61 (Transit Frequency Mapping)**

The group voiced that this recommendation be kept simple. Simplicity would allow it to be useful and valuable. Have everyone evaluate their own small corridor and not viewed holistically. The group viewed this recommendation as low priority in comparison to other items on the shortlist.

- **ET-23 (Unified Parking Payment System)**

The group believes that this recommendation is not a priority at all, especially for the Charlotte region.

- **PM-6 (Policy to Enable Integrated Transit Services)**

The group believes that this recommendation should be a high priority. Experiences from Denver's integrated system were shared, and they believe implementing this would increase transit usage. The group shared that when talking about the recommendations, that systemic differences between populations who interact with the transit system and restorative justice should be considered.

Next Steps:

1. Task Force Members to complete the doodle poll for the next meeting by Friday, September 30th.
2. Send out details regarding the November Task Force meeting.
3. Staff to develop and distribute one-page sheets for each of the shortlist recommendations
4. Task force to continue reviewing and more familiarized with the Shortlist table, and the one-pagers.
5. Task Force to continue brainstorming and submitting recommendations to expand the list of implementers and key stakeholders.

Next Meeting:

Nov 21, 2022 (11:30 AM to 1:30 PM) - in person only at the Valerie Woodard Center

Please contact Kendall Clanton at kendall.clanton@charlottenc.gov if any changes to these minutes are needed.

Beyond 77 Task Force Meeting #3 (Sep 28,
2022) Sign-in Sheet

In-person Participants

Name	Agency/Organization
Andy Grzymiski	Charlotte DOT
Clint Grant	Mecklenburg County
Council Braxton Winston	City of Charlotte Mayor Pro Tem
Johanna Quinn	Charlotte DOT
Rickey Hall	West Blvd Neighborhood Coalition
Irene Ivie	Mecklenburg County
Tony Lathrop	NC Board of Transportation
Dr. Mike Miltich	Former CRTPO Board Chair
Alex Rotenberry	NCDOT – IMD
Curtis Bridges	CRTPO Staff
Neil Burke	CRTPO Staff
Bob Cook	CRTPO Staff
Brian Elgort	CRTPO Staff
Judy Dellert-O'Keef	CRTPO Staff
Kendall Clanton	CRTPO Staff
Temekia Dae	CRTPO Staff
Jerrel Leonard	CRTPO Staff
Theo Thompson	CRTPO Staff
Travis Johnson	CRTPO Staff
Molly Collins	BowStern

Remote Participants

Name	Agency/Organization
Dr. Sylvia Bittle-Patton	Cherry Community Organization
Michael Johnson	Former CRTPO Board Chair
Mshauri A.J. Simmons	All means, The Males Place, UNCC
Kelly Robertson	BowStern
Elle Tedder	BowStern