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Note: A copy of the appendices is located in the official digital Planning Board files.

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Call to Order, Introduction of Board Members

Chairwoman Hafford called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and welcomed everyone. A roll call to account for the members of the Board was conducted. Through the meeting, the following Board members were:

Present	Absent
1. Ms. Nancy Hafford, Chair 2. Mr. Peter Arrey 3. Ms. Beverly German 4. Mr. S. Chris Haffer 5. Mr. Mark Heckman 6. Mr. Steven Heint 7. Mr. Shafiq Hinton (Arrived at 4:02 PM) 8. Mr. C. Scott Holupka, Vice Chairman 9. Mr. Derick Johnson 10. Mr. Wayne McGinnis 11. Mr. Howard Perlow 12. Ms. Cathryn Pinheiro (Arrived at 4:09 PM) 13. Mr. Todd Warren (Arrived at 4:06 PM) 14. Ms. Cathy Wolfson	1. Ms. Emily Brophy

Attending County staff included: Mr. Steve Lafferty, Ms. Amy Mantay, Ms. Jenifer Nugent, Ms. Krystle Patchak, Ms. Courtney Rachuba, and Ms. Taylor Bensley, all of the Department of Planning; and Ms. Jessie Bialek, Mr. Mitchell Phillips, Ms. Angelica Daniel, and Ms. Deborah Price, all of the Department of Public Works and Transportation.

Review of Today’s Agenda

Ms. Bensley reported there were no changes to the Tentative Agenda published December 28, 2023.

Mr. Hinton arrived at 4:02 PM.

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Chairwoman Hafford asked the Planning Board members if they had any changes to the November 16, 2023 Minutes. Hearing none, Chairwoman Hafford called for a motion to approve the Minutes as drafted. Mr. Arrey moved to approve the Minutes as drafted. Ms. German seconded the motion, which passed at 4:02 PM with affirmative votes being cast by Mr. Arrey, Ms. German, Mr. Haffer, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Heint, Mr. Hinton, Mr. Holupka, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McGinnis, Mr. Perlow, and Ms. Wolfson. There were no dissenting votes.

Item for Discussion and Vote

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Chairwoman Hafford informed the Board that the first item on the agenda was the opportunity to further discuss and then vote on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. She continued that the item was first introduced to the Board on November 2nd, and a Public Hearing was conducted on November 16th. She mentioned that staff from the Department of Public Works and Transportation was present to answer any questions from the Board during the discussion and prior to the vote. Chairwoman Hafford then asked Ms. Jessie Bialek if she had any comments before the Board discussed.

Ms. Bialek stated she did not have any further comments, and that she was excited to move the Plan forward.

With no further comments, Chairwoman Hafford opened the floor up for discussion among and questions from the Board.

Ms. Wolfson stated she wanted comments from Mr. Wally Lippincott taken into account. She continued that she believed the Plan was not perfect, but a great starting point.

Mr. Holupka questioned how often the County would update the Plan. Ms. Bialek responded that the Plan was typically updated every ten years, but could be modified as roads changed and facilities were updated.

Mr. Heckman mentioned he would recommend the Plan be updated sooner than the proposed ten years to ensure it was off-phase with the County's Master Plan.

Mr. Warren arrived at 4:06 PM.

Mr. Lafferty responded to Mr. Heckman that the recommended change could be a part of the transmittal letter and could urge the Department of Public Works and Transportation to revisit the Plan within five years.

With no further questions or comments, Chairwoman Hafford called for a motion on the plan.

Ms. Pinheiro arrived at 4:09 PM.

Mr. Holupka moved that the Planning Board accept the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, as introduced November 2nd, 2023, and forward it onto the County Council for further review and consideration. Mr. Heint seconded the motion, which passed at 4:09 PM with affirmative votes being cast by Mr. Arrey, Ms. German, Mr. Haffer, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Heint, Mr. Hinton, Mr. Holupka, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McGinnis, Mr. Perlow, Ms. Pinheiro, Mr. Warren, and Ms. Wolfson.

Mr. Heckman moved that the Transmittal Letter sent to the County Council communicating the Board's decision have language recommending and urging the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan be updated in five years (in 2029) and in ten-year increments thereafter in order to have the Plan not be on the same ten-year review as the County Master Plan. He continued that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan should be in compliance with the Master Plan. Mr. Warren seconded the motion, which passed at 4:12 PM with affirmative votes being cast by Mr. Arrey, Ms. German, Mr. Haffer, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Heint, Mr.

Hinton, Mr. Holupka, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Perlow, Ms. Pinheiro, Mr. Warren, and Ms. Wolfson. Mr. McGinnis voted against the motion.

Other Business

2. Recent County Council legislation of interest to the Board

Ms. Bensley gave a report on the recent legislation passed by the County Council of interest to the Board, which included:

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Mr. Holupka asked for clarification on what a Community Hub was. Mr. Lafferty replied that it was Councilman Patoka’s Bill, specific to the Pikesville Armory. He continued that it was intended to open opportunities in that specific location, rather than changing the Zoning.

Adjournment of the Board Meeting

Chairwoman Hafford called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Warren moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Heckman seconded the motion, which passed at 4:20 PM with affirmative votes being cast by Mr. Arrey, Ms. German, Mr. Haffer, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Heintl, Mr. Hinton, Mr. Holupka, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McGinnis, Mr. Perlow, Ms. Pinheiro, Mr. Warren, and Ms. Wolfson. There were no dissenting votes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.
