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Oakland Mills Community Association Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Attendees:

- Warren Wortman, chair
- Amy Wortman
- Rebecca Bryant
- Casey Bryant
- Jim Caffey
- Mike Westendorf

Discussion(s):

- Non-compliant ADA curb cuts. Rebecca Bryant is in discussion with Ashley, Opel Jones' representative about this.
- Secure bike holding space for OM residents (many bikes are kept on apartment balconies). The committee is supportive of the concept but wonders if the apartment tenants actually want or will use bike parking. Also, how would this be implemented?
- Bike lockers at the OM Village center. We feel people would be more likely to shop at OM if there was secure bike parking. Perhaps a Village/business partnership?
- Howard Express is nearing completion. New county cycling goals should be established. The committee suggested the following:
 - Improve non-compliant ADA curb cuts
 - Secure Village bike lockers
 - MD 108 traffic concerns: the new courthouse, housing near Columbia Rd and at the old Grandfather's location, new storage units plus adding lanes on MD 108 between US 29 and Columbia Rd makes
 - pedestrian crossings dangerous
 - auto traffic turning onto 108 difficult from Red Branch, Thunder Hill & Summer Hollow and even Mellenbrook.
 - Improve bicycle commuting routes to Fort Meade. Although Howard County has made great improvements, Guilford Rd. past Dorsey Run Rd is particularly dangerous. This portion of the route to the National Business Park is shared by both Howard County and Anne Arundel County.

Future Events

- E-Scooters: mid March 2021. Howard County has selected a vender (Public outreach in Feb & March)
- Active Transportation Open House Mid-February, Renamed Complete Streets
- [Complete Streets Implementation Team](#) February 3, 2021, 3:00-5:00 PM virtual, open to public.
- Complete Streets Update/Town Hall *sometime in March*, hosted by Streets For All Coalition
- MD 103/104 Strategic Multimodal Study Online Public Meeting, 1/28 6 PM.

Action Items:

- Contact Wilde Lake about bike lockers (Warren)
- Provide link of the Howard County design manual (Jim)

Next Meeting: February 16th - 7:00 PM

