



New Bern Housing Authority and the City of New Bern

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS PLANNING GRANT
Trent Court/Craven Terrace/Greater Five Points Neighborhood

Transportation Working Group

Tuesday, May 19th at 3:30 p.m. at Development Services Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Mickey Miller, David Herndon, Dee Meadows, Lt. Linda Godette, Sgt. John Smith, Dee Meadows, Rosemary Stark, Vana Prewitt, Brad Sceviour

Handouts: May 7, 2015 Meeting Minutes
CNI Transportation Matrix (original and Prewitt edits)

Welcome and Purpose of Meeting. In the absence of Maurizia Chapman and Kim Maxey, Mickey opened the meeting with remarks about the CNI working group timeline and Choice Community Day.

Review last meeting minutes. No changes were noted.

General Discussion.

- Lt. Godette introduced Sgt. John Smith of NBPD Traffic Division. Sgt. Smith briefly described some of the traffic and pedestrian challenges in the Choice neighborhood including narrow roads, lack of sidewalks, homes built very close to roadway, and poor lighting which increases opportunity for crime. He will put together a presentation for a future meeting summarizing traffic and safety data, identifying trouble spots such as dangerous crosswalks, poor lighting, crash data, and wheelchair safety data. Lt. Godette will coordinate for Sgt. Smith's attendance at future meeting.
- The group also discussed the need for Public Works to attend to address issues of curbing, sidewalks, signage, one-way streets, roadway/shoulder maintenance, and overgrown shrubbery. Brad Sceviour will contact Public Works for future meeting attendance.

Review and discussion of draft Matrix: The group briefly discussed the changes proposed by Vana Prewitt and agreed in general with those changes/additions. A few additional changes were noted. See attached draft matrix for all changes and additions.

Planning for Choice Community Day. The event is June 4th from 4-7 pm. This is the working groups' opportunity to present their work to the residents of the community for feedback and validation. All working groups are being asked to tend a booth and interact with residents. The group tentatively plans to use a large CNI map on foam board titled "Do you have special transportation concerns?" Push pins in different colors will be used to signify concerns about lighting, pedestrian issues, and stop signs or stop lights. To be continued June 1.

Who can man the Transportation table? Rosemary Stark, David Herndon, Dee Meadows, Lt. Godette, Sgt. Smith (tentative)

Next Meetings: Monday, June 1 (only to finalize Community Day activities)
3:30 p.m.
City of New Bern Development Services, 303 First Street

Tuesday, June 16
3:00 p.m.
same location

Attachment: matrix (below)

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New Bern Choice Neighborhoods Transportation Matrix

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Outcomes	Metrics	Strategies	Partners
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Goal 1: Increase available transportation options to essential city services (shopping, medical, work, schools) for the Greater Five Points community

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CNI neighborhood residents will have safe, affordable, and accessible transportation for basic family needs (health, groceries, schools, work)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased ridership on existing public transportation (CARTS)• Lower resident concerns about public transportation accessibility• Increased use of alternative transportation (bicycle, scooter, sidewalks, walking, ride share)• Percentage of increase in designated bicycle lanes and shared bike routes• Linear footage increase in sidewalks or multi-use trails• Accident rate decrease for non-motorized transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assure that CARTS signage is visible and meets standards established by ADA, State, and other agencies.• Expand CARTS working hours to accommodate shift workers• Add a bus to high volume ridership times• Advertise availability of demand-response services and fixed route bus schedule through multiple communication strategies including bus wrapping and websites linkage (newspaper story, church bulletins, resident councils, etc)• Provide bus shelters where feasible through cooperation with the City of New Bern Economic Development office and Parks and Recreation Department• Develop public/private partnership to provide extended non-POV transportation• Explore alternative public transportation models in other communities for adoption by New Bern• Explore the possibility of creating a Ride Share board online (http://www.rideshareonline.com/) http://www.networksnorthwest.org/planning/transportation/northwest-michigan-ride-share-connection/ https://www.erideshare.com/carpool.php?city=Philadelphia• Where feasible, restripe roadways with bicycle lanes at time of resurfacing or mark with sharrow• Adopt a Complete Streets Policy that could require dedication/designation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities upon development of parcels or retrofitting of roads• Apply access management best practices and complete streets policy to make infrastructure more appealing and safe•	<p>CARTS/Craven County, City of New Bern, New Bern Area MPO, private transportation providers</p> <p>City of New Bern, NBAMPO, NCDOT</p>
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Goal 2: Provide safe and accessible connectivity among the CNI target neighborhoods

<p>Bike lanes</p> <p>Pedestrian paths</p> <p>Urban forest</p> <p>Well lit public areas</p>	<p>Reduced traffic & bicycle accidents</p> <p>Pedestrian traffic into and through trails in grant neighborhood</p> <p>Bicycle traffic into and through neighborhoods</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting??? • Hold city-wide events at parks in target neighborhoods • Create bicycle lanes in CNI neighborhoods • Complete sidewalks where feasible in the Greater Five Points neighborhoods • Where sidewalks are not feasible maintain roadway shoulders to maximize safety and visibility • Create a safe and welcoming network of paths and parks throughout the target neighborhoods (see Rec & Green Spaces matrix) • Conduct routine bike safety classes and bike rodeos • Conduct wheelchair safety classes • Use media and social media and involve local youth to promote safety 	
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