

U.S. 1 CORRIDOR – COUNCIL OF PLANNING MEETING January 29, 2015 Wake Forest Town Hall 9:00 AM

Attendees		
MEMBERS	AGENCY	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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CAMPO Staff		
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MEETING SUMMARY

Welcome/Introductions

Eric Lamb, 2014 Chair, gave the welcome and attendees provided introductions.

Election of 2015 Chair and Vice Chair

At the first meeting of each calendar year, the US 1 Council of Planning elects a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for that year. The officers of the Council of Planning will consist of a Chair and a

Vice-Chair serving annual terms. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall each be a representative from one of the "regular member" communities on the Council of Planning. A member of the Capital Area MPO staff shall serve as Secretary for the Council of Planning. Motion made by E. Lamb, Second by C. Russell, to elect Scott Hammerbacher as Chair of the Council of Planning for 2015. Nominations were closed. Motion Carried Unanimously. Motion made by E. Lamb, Second by C. Russell, to elect Tim Gardiner as Vice Chair of the Council of Planning for 2015. Nominations were closed. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Summary – June 26, 2014 (no official minutes due to lack of meeting quorum). The Council received the meeting summary as information.

Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2014. Motion made by C. Russell, Second by E. Lamb to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

CAMPO Hot Spot Studies

The two CAMPO Hot Spot studies along US 1 were completed in June 2014, with final reports being produced in July 2014. Council members reviewed final outcomes of the studies.

- US 1 / 1-A / Falls of Neuse Intersection Study

Brian Lusk with STV, Inc. reviewed the recommendations from this study. He reminded Council members that he had looked at several options for interchanges at this locations, and that Council members selected the diverging diamond design as the most preferable due to limited impacts to surrounding businesses and properties. He also noted that some of the planned frontage and backage roads on the Corridor Study maps may need to be shifted to accommodate this design. He also noted that the planning-level cost estimates provided in the report do not include traffic control. Council members noted that the traffic control cost could add nearly 50% to the cost of the interchange.

 Motion made by E. Lamb, Second by D. Downs to endorse the recommendations from this hot spot study to be included on the US 1 Corridor Study maps. Motion carried unanimously.

US 1 Corridor Study Phase 1 & 2 Executive Summary Consolidation and Interim Improvement Recommendations - <u>http://www.campo-nc.us/CorridorStudy/index.html</u>

Shelby Powell reviewed the work that had been done by Gannett Fleming to produce online mapping for the US 1 Corridor, and indicated that future Council meetings would benefit from having the recommendations laid out on aerial photos available to look at during review of projects. The project also looked at several interim improvement areas where superstreet designs may work for this corridor, which were also available on the new website.

• The Council received this update as information.

New Business

Proposed Apartment Development at Circle Drive

Peter Cnossen, on behalf of a developer, presented an idea for changing the proposed access road in the vicinity of Circle Drive to accommodate a new apartment development. The proposed change would utilize an available easement at the base of the cul-de-sac bulb, as well as tighten the alignment of the frontage / backage road to be closer to the parcels on Circle Drive. These adjustments would allow for the developer to utilize more of the environmentally-constrained parcel for development, and would take advantage of available easements. Peter Cnossen also noted there is a stormwater pond at the current T intersection of the proposed access road alignment. Eric Lamb was concerned about this proposal because the available easement across the cul-de-sac would not accommodate the planned three-lane cross-section of the frontage/backage road. That is the reason that easement was not considered for the original plan's alignment. Scott Hammerbacher stated that we needed to keep in mind the Meineke development this Council reviewed at its last meeting and make sure a proposal for changing this section of the access road would work with whatever final design happened at the Menieke development. Chip Russell said that he would need to see a site plan to determine how this adjustment would work with the planned interchange at Burlington Mills Road. Tim Gardiner asked how the apartments would be accessed. Peter Cnossen responded that they are discussing shared access with the U-Haul driveway along with an access to Circle Drive through the proposed access road alignment. He noted that the available easement through the cul-de-sac extends all the way to Burlington Mills Road planned extension. Chip Russell stated that the developer will have to meet with property owners/residents on Circle Drive as part of this development process. Mike Horn indicated that redevelopment for Circle Drive residents would be easier if the access road were to go through the cul-de-sac rather than around it. Brian Pate noted that the owners of those properties have been there a long time and there is low turnover of the properties through sales, so he wasn't sure if redevelopment was imminent. Chip Russell stated that the Town would be willing to consider this as a concept, but he cannot agree to it today. He would like to keep the door open and get neighborhood feedback through the development process. Reid Elmore asked if the number of planned units would be reduced if the access road alignment was kept as it is on the plan. Peter Cnossen indicated that the issue was the requirement of two access points - if the development cannot access at Circle Drive, they cannot meet that requirement. Ronnie Goswick asked if moving the access road to be a true frontage road along US 1 across Circle Drive was feasible; Chip Russell responded that there would be implications to the interchange planned at Burlington Mills if that were to happen. Brian Pate stated that it could be a benefit to Circle Drive residents to have that access road going through the cul-de-sac if their access to US 1 will be closed through the freeway project. Scott Hammerbacher stated that the group needs to keep in mind the access to possible transit/rail at Cheviot Hills that would be accessible through these access roads. Peter Cnossen asked if the three-lane cross section was mandatory for the access roads if a turn lane could be provided at driveway points instead of a full three lanes in this section; Eric Lamb responded that this group has not recommended any changes to the three-lane cross section. Chip Russell stated that this property will have to undergo rezoning to accommodate residential use, and that the Town will keep an open mind as this goes through the development process. The Council agreed that this development has some options to consider; the developer thanked the Council for their input at this stage of the process.

• The Council took no action on this item.

U-5307 Update – In the Draft 2015-2025 STIP, the U-5307 project (US 1to become a freeway between I-540 and NC 98 Bypass) is programmed for ROW acquisition in FY 2021 and FY 2022. Construction is programmed in FY 2023-2025. NCDOT is currently developing a schedule for project design with RS&H. More information will be available in coming months. The Council will be kept informed, and hopefully utilized as the foundation for any stakeholder or steering committee to guide the project as it moves forward.

<u>Adjourn</u> – There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.