

## Borough of West Chester

### Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

September 9, 2025

#### Approved Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened at 6:01 by Jim Wylie, TAC Secretary.

**In Attendance - TAC:** Laura McLaine, Jim Wylie, Ray Ott, Patricia Shields, Brandon Emig.

**In Attendance:** Geert Robroek [Connect The Dots] (video), Lillian Drake [DVRPC] (video)

#### 1. Public Comment

None.

#### 2. Approval of August Minutes

Approved unanimously. Find approved minutes in the [Document Center](#) / Minutes Boards & Commissions / Transportation Advisory Committee

#### 3. Update on DVRPC “Connecting the Dots” program

Geert Robroek updated us on where we stand with the Transportation Public Engagement Plan and Transportation Survey.

- a. They have incorporated all of the comments ([see TAC Review Folder](#)) provided by the TAC in August. Including the input for priorities for additional pop-up events.
- b. Next steps are to prepare digital and printable/mailable versions of
  - i. the survey
  - ii. handouts (flyers) for meetings and pop-up events

All should be ready the week of Sep 15 for review by TAC

- c. The team discussed possible timing of getting the materials reviewed and ready for the Oct Borough Council meeting and, if possible, something for the Chili Cookoff (Oct 11). Need to check with John about that.

#### 4. Sidewalk Prioritization Scoring Matrix

We discussed using Brandon’s spreadsheet version which incorporates a simplified set of criteria (from what John presented in Aug) and provides a mechanism to adjust the weights (priorities) of the various criteria and items that get scored for each sidewalk segment.

Ray thinks there are around 20 to 30 blocks with missing sidewalk links - so a manageable number to be scored. Ray shared a printed map of WCB based on GIS data showing blocks with one-side or both side blocks without sidewalks. [WCB GIS map](#). [Reformatted doc from Ray](#).

John had shared a reduced set of criteria, which we all agreed with:

- No shoulder or walking space
- Adjacent to blind curves, hills, or poor visibility
- Close to a school/ grocery store/ transit stop/ community center
- Connects two existing sidewalk segments
- In an Environmental Justice / underserved area

- Brings the corridor into ADA compliance

We had some questions:

- a. What is the definition of “adjacent”?
- b. What is the definition of “town center”?
- c. What is the definition of “underserved area”?

Jim moved that the TAC adopt Brandon’s spreadsheet with John’s suggested criteria. Ray 2nd. Approved unanimously. [See the spreadsheet here.](#)

## 5. Discussion Items

- a. Jim briefly discussed the Eastern Pennsylvania Alliance for Clean Transportation (EP-ACT) conference that he attended on Aug 20 in Philadelphia. Jim will try to get the slide deck to share with the TAC team. One highlight was PennDot’s sharing of the plan for [EV charging infrastructure in PA](#) - NEVI - which is still funded.
- b. We talked briefly about the current state of SEPTA funding (temporary) and how it might affect Chester County and WCB. Everything is up in the air pending an approved PA Budget.

## 6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:55

## 7. Next Meeting

October 14 at 6:00