

Public Works & Transportation

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: Vedat Gashi

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Tuesday, October 5, 2021

11:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting joint with the Committee on Budget & Appropriations

The County Board will meet pursuant to Chapter 417 of New York State Laws of 2021, allowing public bodies to meet and take action without permitting in-person public access to meetings and authorizes such meetings and public hearings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided the public has the ability to view or listen and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed. To access the meeting, please visit: https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com

With a quorum present, Chair Gashi called the meeting to order at 11:18 AM.

Present: Committee Chair Gashi, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky and Legislator Walter

Absent: Legislator Boykin

Remote: Legislator Covill, Legislator Johnson, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and

Legislator Woodson-Samuels

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, September 20, 2021 at 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, seconded by Legislator Walter, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Monday, September 27, 2021 at 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, seconded by Legislator Walter, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Transportation Oversight Meeting

Guests: Director of Surface Transportation Michael Swee - Department of Public Works & Transportation

- -Complete Streets
- -Bus Shelters
- -Service Improvements for Bee-Line
- -Additional Information and Comments

ACT-2021-184 ACT-Amending Complete Streets Policy

AN ACT amending Act No. 170-2013, to add regulations for the implementation of the

Westchester County Complete Streets Policy to promote the construction of multiple use roadways.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION

Joint with B&A.

Guests: Director of Surface Transportation Michael Swee - Department of Public Works & Transportation

Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability Peter McCartt - CEO

Chief Deputy County Attorney Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz - LAW

Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability Peter McCartt, Director of Surface Transportation Michael Swee, Director of Environmental Planning David Kvinge, and Chief Deputy County Attorney Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-350-ACT-Amending Complete Streets Policy. Director McCartt discussed that in 2013, the Board of Legislators passed and adopted this Act, which established a Complete Streets Policy for Westchester County. The Complete Streets Policy required any construction or renovation to any County roadway to consider the feasibility of including features that would promote its use by and enhance the safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, the users of public transportation, school bus riders, motorists, movers of commercial goods, persons with disabilities, senior citizens and emergency service providers. Director McCartt noted that this policy did not have implementation aspects to it and this amendment to the Act will add regulations for the implementation of this policy. The way through which that will be done is through the checklist that has been provided. When looking at a project the departments will sign off on the checklist and give it to the Commissioner and then they will sign off on it. Director Swee added that this amendment takes this program to the next level and gives it some teeth and structure so that for all the projects going forward they will have to go through this process and maintain a record of the projects as they are approved.

Legislator Walter asked if there is a minimum size that a project must meet to be covered under Complete Streets? Director McCartt responded that there is no limit as he sees it or knows it. Legislator Walter asked if this would also cover projects involving paving? Director McCartt responded that a lot of Complete Streets projects involve paint and signage, so yes paving is a big part of it.

On motion of Legislator Walter, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Covill, Legislator Johnson, Legislator

Parker, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter

and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Absent: Legislator Boykin

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Walter, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, the Committee adjourned at [insert 11:58 AM.