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Durham Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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January 20, 2026
7:00 PM

Online Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84252209350?pwd=LEdfXNxE50C9u4pSw1gAtPrt6NKAm.1>

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order, Equity and Land Acknowledgment, Roll Call, Introductions, Excused Absences 7:00**
 - Update on New Members and Openings (Hannah Salvaggio)
 - Chris Perelstein read the Equity and Land Acknowledgement
- II. Adjustments to the Agenda (Vote, if changed) 7:05**
No Adjustments
- III. Approval of Minutes from December Commission Meeting (Vote) 7:08**
Jordan Powell motions to approve the minutes, Chris Perelstein seconds, Minutes approved
- IV. Approval of Minutes from January Committee Meetings (Vote) 7:09**
Chris Perelstein motions to approve the Planning Policy minutes, Tony Reevy Seconds, Minutes Approved
- V. Public Comments (up to 3 minutes per speaker) 7:10**
Victor Ayemi stated that it would be nice to have a Bike Lane on Hillandale Rd.
Brian Taylor said that David Tucker has previously requested a sidewalk gap be completed/repared on Sprunt and Clarendon. He said that it was along a paper street that would need to be opened before it could be completed. He mentioned that this area is in the bike walk plan but is not currently funded. David requested a timeline and Brian said that this can take up to 3 years, but the complications around the paper street can extend that timeline. Chris P. states that the paper street concern is much larger than this specific area and should be a broader concern for BPAC.
- VI. Guest Presentation: Triangle Bikeway (Cara Russell, Capital Area MPO) 7:15**
Began 7 minutes late due to extensive public comment
Chris P. expressed excitement about this project moving forward and it's multiple benefits including getting to the airport and other transportation aspects.
- VII. Guest Presentation: Bike + Walk Plan Update (Brooke Roper, DCONC, & Brian Taylor, COD) 7:45**
 - Maggie G. questioned what the difference is between a side path and a sidewalk? Brian T answered that a side path is a very wide sidewalk for cycling and walking.
 - Tony R. asked if the Panther Creek Trail is a Rail Trail and Brooke answered "Yes"
 - Chris P asked about the safety dynamics of the MUP near the interstate for the I-85 Bridge. Brooke answered that the planning level design includes a buffer and protection but is only preliminary and that they are using a SC example.
 - Chris P asked about the Dearborn Project with regards to cars leaving the road. He asked if any aggressive safety measures will be utilized since the road is especially unsafe. He is concerned about the vision zero goals and pedestrian safety. Brian T responded that speeds will try to be limited as much as possible. They will also try to install mid-block crossings and tree plantings to be used as buffers as safety measures.
- VIII. New Business 8:05**
 - Second submission for UDO feedback (vote) (John Lawler, Mary Rose)
-Topics included Bicycle Parking, Spacing, Rack Selection, Bicycle Shelters, and Security Cameras to aid in bike theft
Tony R. motions to approve the Planning Policy minutes, Jeff B. Seconds, Recommendations Approved
- IX. Committee and Liaison Reports (up to 3 minutes per speaker) 8:30**
 - Government Liaisons
 - Durham Board of County Commissioners (Wendy Jacobs) -No Update
 - Durham City Council (Carl Rist) -No Update

- Committee Reports
 - Community Engagement (Hannah Bartlebaugh)
 - Moving forward with Trail signs for ATT and focus on wayfinding signs around the Riddle Rd Spur
 - Rails to Trails options being investigated.
 - Prepping for May Bike Month by talking to local businesses about becoming bike friendly
 - Working towards finishing the safe routes to schools video.
 - Additional tabling and outreach options
 - Development Review (Scott Carter)
 - Short Meeting, went through one case along Glenn School Road. Used as a training exercise for new members. New cases incoming.
 - Planning and Policy (Nathan Lee)
 - Marathon in Durham May 2, Planning for future at February mtg, Considering adding official policy positions from BPAC.
 - Other Liaisons
 - Duke University (Nathan Lee) -No Update
 - North Carolina Central University (Nate Dixon) -No Update
 - Vision Zero (Mary Rose Fontana) Met last week and discussed updates as well as different engagement processes for quick turnaround projects.
 - UDO Task Force (John Lawler)
 - This second recommendation is likely our last effort due to timing of the UDO
 - Durham Open Spaces and Trails (No Liaison) -No Update
 - Bus Rapid Transit Vision Plan (Scott Carter/Ed Rizzuto) -No Update
 - Questions on Committee and Liaison Reports
- X. Announcements and Updates 8:50**
 New time for community engagement meetings. Hannah S. on parental leave until May. 2025 annual report has been submitted to council for review.
- XI. Communication Priorities from Meeting and Committees 8:55**
None.
- XII. Adjourn 9:00**

See Reverse for BPAC Meeting Schedule

Committee Meeting Schedule:

- Planning and Policy (P&P) Committee: First Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm (Zoom Meeting)
- Community Engagement (CE) Committee: Second Tuesday, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Zoom Meeting)
- Development Review (Dev Rev) Committee: Second Thursday, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm (Zoom Meeting)

NOTE: The Committee meeting Zoom link and updates are found on [DurhamNC.gov/3851](https://www.durhamnc.gov/3851)

Next BPAC Meeting – February 17, 2026 (Online Only via Zoom)

Instructions for Accessing the Monthly Zoom Meeting

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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BPAC EQUITY AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT - APPROVED NOVEMBER 2021

We, as the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, want to begin this meeting by affirming BPAC's commitment to equity and racial justice.

We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on lands that have served as the home for diverse indigenous communities long before current governments were established here. We pay our respect to the elders and members of these communities, both past and present, and recognize the harms of genocide and colonialism.

We will make a conscious effort to reflect on the following questions as we advance through our business and contemplate changes in our community, and we recognize that achieving equity requires our commitment to an ongoing process:

- How can we seek to repair harm with our work and not erase history?
- How does our work impact the vulnerability and safety of people who hold many intersecting marginalized identities (including Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC); people with disabilities; and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQ+) people)?
- How can we prioritize and center people in our decision-making?
- How can we be more responsive to local needs?
- How can our work build community power and shared decision-making?

Possible Presentation Topics for Upcoming Meetings
(revised 09/08/2025)

- DDI: Durham Choice redevelopment project, Reconnecting Historic Hayti, and DDI Master Plan (Heather Wilson)
- Sidewalk Maintenance Assessment (Public Works)
- Week Without Driving Training (Bike Durham)
- Coordination of Work at the State Level, NCDOT (TBD)
- NCDOT Safety Measures (Brian Murphy, NCDOT)
- ADA Accessible Trails (Fayetteville)--CE has an action to look into this
- Bus Rapid Transit (County)
- Sharing Notes and Ideas with Other BPACs, e.g., Charlotte, Raleigh, Minneapolis (TBD)
- Fayetteville St / Holloway Transit Corridor Updates (City of Durham Transportation)
- Stroads, Billy Williams from ITRE (Tony Reevy)
- *GHG Emissions, Chris Frey EPA/NCSU (Tony Reevy)* Rescheduled from August*
- New Approaches in Bicycle/Pedestrian Transportation, Check Flink (Tony Reevy)
- MPO Projects (Doug Pachinsky)
- Transportation Projects and Comprehensive Plan Projects (Sean Egan/Marvin Williams from COD Transportation and ESS; Planning Department)
- UNC Master of Public Policy Students' Transportation Project Updates (Hannah Bartlebaugh)
- City Council and County Board of Commissioners - Vision for BPAC in 2026
- Police Department/Sheriff's Office - Bike/ped education, training, procedures, and reporting

Month	Topic	Person Responsible
Jan	Bike + Walk Plan (Brooke Roper and Brian Taylor)	Hannah S
Feb	<i>County Transportation Projects Update (Ellen Beckmann)</i>	
March		
April*		
May*		
June*		
August*		
Sept*		
Oct*		
Nov		
Dec		

highlighted = complete; **bold** = confirmed; *italic* = tentative; * = in-person

Attendance/Membership: January 20, 2026

Name	Position	Attendance
Maggie Green	Recreation/Urban Trails & Greenways Representative	PRESENT
Chris Perelstein (Secretary)	Transportation Planning Policy Representative	PRESENT
Jordan Powell	Walking/Running/Pedestrian Community for Marginalized Groups Representative	PRESENT
Travae Willis	Public Transit / Paratransit Representative	ABSENT
Rosie Edmonds	City Youth Representative	PRESENT
Jeff Bakalchuck	City At-Large 1	PRESENT
Kathleen (Katie) Perault	City At-Large 2	EXCUSED ABSENSE
Hannah Bartlebaugh (Community Engagement Chair)	Youth/Children Advocacy Representative	PRESENT
John Lawler	Senior Advocacy Representative	PRESENT
Ed Rizzuto	Disabilities Advocacy Representative	PRESENT
Mary Rose Fontana (Chair)	Bicycle Community Representative	PRESENT
Nathan Lee (Planning & Policy Chair)	Duke University Representative	PRESENT
Andrew Birch	County Youth Representative/County At-Large 4	PRESENT
Scott Carter (Development Review Chair)	County At-Large 1	PRESENT
Trent Cormier (Vice Chair)	County At-Large 2	PRESENT
Tony Reevy	County At-Large 3	PRESENT
Nate Dixon	North Carolina Central University Representative	PRESENT
Kayla Keels	City At-Large 3	
Carl Rist (Non-voting)	City Council Liaison	EXCUSED ABSENSE
Wendy Jacobs (Non-voting)	County Board of Commissioners Liaison	PRESENT
Hannah Salvaggio (Non-voting)	Transportation Department Liaison	PRESENT

Guests:

Brooke Roper Durham County Transportation
 Cara Russell Senior Transportation Planner CAMMPO
 Victor Ayeni-Resident
 Ellen Beckman Transportation Director Durham County
 Brian Taylor Durham City Principal Transportation Planner
 David Tucker - Resident

Chat Notes: