



# D U R H A M BPAC

## Durham Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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February 17, 2026

Online Zoom Meeting

7:00 PM

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84252209350?pwd=LEdfXNxEUE50C9u4pSw1gAtPRt6NKAm.1>

### AGENDA

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| <b>I. Call to Order, Equity and Land Acknowledgment, Roll Call, Introductions, Excused Absences</b>   | <b>7:00</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Land Acknowledgement read by Mary Rose Fontana.</li><li>▪ Trent excused absence tonight.</li></ul>  |             |
| <b>II. Adjustments to the Agenda (vote, if changed)</b>   | <b>7:05</b> |
| <b>III. Approval of Minutes from January Commission Meeting (vote)</b>  | <b>7:08</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Motion to approve by Tony Reevy, seconded by Chris Perelstein, motion carries.</li></ul>  |             |
| <b>IV. Approval of Minutes from Annual Retreat (vote)</b>   | <b>7:09</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Motion to approve by Katie Perault, seconded by Tony Reevy, motion carries.</li></ul>   |             |
| <b>V. Public Comments (up to 3 minutes per speaker)</b>   | <b>7:10</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ None</li></ul>  |             |
| <b>VI. New Business</b>   | <b>7:15</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Guest speakers for future meetings – Katie Perault talked about a Hackathon held at Duke last week and one of the teams focused on making sidewalk improvements using AI. Autonomous vehicles, WeMo, we might want to learn more about them and how they might impact bike/ped. Jordan Powell wants to add the downtown blueprint that was recently added and creates a loop vision and would impact bed/ped connectivity downtown. Carl Rist said Nicole would be the person to reach out to – general inquiry about when they'd be able to come speak. Carl Rist suggested having the bike/walk plan come to speak to us once it's adopted in the Spring. Jordan Powell suggested Tony Reevy's suggestions of Chuck Flink and Chris Frey as well as connecting with Raleigh BPAC – he knows someone on it. Carl Rist suggested a vision zero update. Wendy Jacobs suggested having Triangle West TPO come to speak because this is tied in with Raleigh and this could help with connectivity. Erin Convery just connected with Winston Salem BPAC and can send their contact information. Ed Rizzuto suggested Brian Fahey Durham Connect transport services.</li><li>▪ Letter to new District Engineer co-signed by Bike Durham (Chris) (vote)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ed Rizzuto suggested we invite them to an upcoming meeting. Jordan Powell asked open-ended question about our working with Bike Durham, which is an NGO, whereas we're appointed commissioners. Carl Rist and Ed Rizzuto both voiced their support for Bike Durham and emphasized that they do more than just bike advocacy. Mary Rose Fontana advised that she included the context of both groups into the letter. Katy Perault suggested congratulating the new engineer first, have the definitions, and then add in the other pieces. Ed Rizzuto discussed how a joint city, county, transits commission/board could be created. Travae Willis and Chris Perelstein agreed that we should add "transit" into our description in the letter. Wendy Jacobs noted that before Durham County turned over paratransit to the city, there was a transit advisory committee but that was disbanded by the city, she's like to see it resurrected. Jeff thinks that adding transit to our plate would be so much – but maybe creating a transit subcommittee. Tony Reevy thinks transit and bike/ped issues are linked but not the same and this would need a different but linked governing board.</li><li>- Motion to approve by Ed Rizzuto, seconded by Jeff Bakalchuck, motion carries.</li></ul></li><li>▪ On-boarding for new members - discussion<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- What would be helpful for new members? Katy, Andrew, Tony, Maggie, John, Nate, Chris all gave different suggestions.</li></ul></li></ul> |             |

- April meeting in-person location – discussion. We’re going to have the meeting at city hall in April while Hannah is out.
- Dev/Rev discussion about Roundabouts and Bikes (John/Scott) – Scott Carter said that we might suggest roundabouts on 320 acre community because they’re building roads/infrastructure. John Lawler looked into roundabouts and determined one lane roundabouts are safe for bikes but two lane roundabouts are dangerous for bikers and bikers need an “out” to “off ramps” so they don’t get injured. Wendy Jacobs said this is a topic that came up years ago and it could be a good thing to have someone come speak to us about it. Planning and policy will look into this further.

**VII. Committee and Liaison Reports (up to 3 minutes per speaker) 8:42**

- Government Liaisons
  - Durham Board of County Commissioners (Wendy Jacobs)
    - Survey about multi-modal hub that Go Triangle is going to build.
    - Update on work plan with Durham County – lot of additional requests and not a lot of funding for them. Everything in the adopted plan can move forward and is funded.
    - Rail division of NCDOT is pushing passenger rail
    - UDO and Land development code adoption process they need BPAC involvement meeting on 02/24 and look at new UDO (going to call it Land Development Code)
  - Durham City Council (Carl Rist)
    - LDC/UDO – want BPAC to weigh-in on it. Most recent planning meeting suggested that maybe they push back to the fall rather than June. People are concern about density in feedback to the council.
    - Bike walk plan should be done in spring
    - Durham to Roxboro rail trail – still in progress
    - Doing a lot of Bond Fund projects in the city
    - Creekside case – large development – Carl Rist asked for raised crosswalks and the developer was open to it but staff was concerned that it might impact emergency vehicles.
- Motion to add 10 minutes by Katy Perault, seconded by Jordan Powell, motion carries.
- Committee Reports
  - Community Engagement (Hannah Bartlebaugh)
    - Motion to approve January minutes by Nathan Lee, seconded by Chris Perelstein, motion carries.
    - No February meeting due to illness
  - Development Review (Scott Carter)
    - Motion to approve of January meeting minutes by Chris Perelstein and seconded by Nathan Lee
    - Large development that has been proposed – tracks of lands in east side of Durham
  - Planning and Policy (Nathan Lee)
    - Discuss what they want to do in the year – look at BPAC guiding purposes, city relaunch map of ongoing projects, better project monitoring on city website.
- Other Liaisons
  - Duke University (Nathan Lee) – No update
  - North Carolina Central University (Nate Dixon) – No update
  - Vision Zero (Mary Rose Fontana) – met in January to discuss quick build projects.
  - UDO Task Force (John Lawler) – Published the draft of the UDO but doesn’t include everything from the first letter we sent and doesn’t include anything from second.
  - Durham Open Spaces and Trails (Dale McKeel) – Not here
  - Bus Rapid Transit Vision Plan (Scott Carter/Ed Rizzuto) – Haven’t had a meeting recently
- Questions on Committee and Liaison Reports

**VIII. Announcements and Updates 9:06**

- Any questions you would normally ask Hannah, please email Mary Rose and copy Brian and Erin

**IX. Communication Priorities from Meeting and Committees 8:55**

**X. 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 – March 17, 2026 (Online Only via Zoom)**

#### **Instructions for Accessing the Monthly Zoom Meeting**

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84252209350?pwd=LEdfXNxE50C9u4pSw1gAtPRt6NKAm.1>

Meeting ID: 842 5220 9350

Passcode: 123456

### **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
- County Transportation Projects Update (Ellen Beckmann)
- New NCDOT Division 5 District 2 Engineer

Month	Topic	Person Responsible
Jan	<b>Bike + Walk Plan (Brooke Roper and Brian Taylor)</b>	<b>Hannah S</b>
Feb	<b>Work session</b>	
March		
April*		
May*		
June*		
August*		
Sept*		
Oct*		
Nov		
Dec		

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

**Attendance/Membership: February 17, 2026**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Maggie Green	Recreation/Urban Trails & Greenways Representative	Present
Chris Perelstein (Vice Chair)	Transportation Planning Policy Representative	Present
Jordan Powell	Walking/Running/Pedestrian Community for Marginalized Groups Representative	Present
Travae Willis	Public Transit / Paratransit Representative	Present
Rosie Edmonds	City Youth Representative	Present
Jeff Bakalchuck	City At-Large 1	Present
Kathleen (Katie) Perault	City At-Large 2	Present
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 (Secretary)	County At-Large 2	Excused Absence
Tony Reevy	County At-Large 3	Present
Nate Dixon	North Carolina Central University Representative	Present
Kayla Keels (pending)	City At-Large 3	
Carl Rist (Non-voting)	City Council Liaison	Present
Wendy Jacobs (Non-voting)	County Board of Commissioners Liaison	Present
Hannah Salvaggio (Non-voting)	Transportation Department Liaison	Excused Absence

**Guests:** Brian Taylor, Erin Convery

**Chat Notes:**