

Trails and Blueways Council

PHNST Subcommittee Work Session Notes May 8, 2024, at 2:00pm Hellwig Administration Building 14420 Bristow Road, Manassas

Approved by the T&BC on May 28, 2024

1. Call to Order – David Brickley, Eileen Sheridan, Neil Nelson, Joe Marshall, and Liz Cronauer were present. Staff present – Yolanda Hipski, Janet Bartnik, David Kroeger, and Patti Pakkala.

2. PHNST Gap Analysis Notes

David Brickley asked if anyone would be attending the VDOT open house regarding the I-95/Occoquan Road improvements. There appears to be no change in the design from what has been planned previously.

Patti Pakkala provided an update on the PHNST Gap Study Project (FLAP Grant funded). The purchase order should be issued by the county in the next few weeks. After the purchase order is approved, a timeline for the project will be developed that will begin with preliminary investigation of the three sites. The project will include the TBC in stakeholder feedback sessions.

Gaps 19 & 20:

The group discussed the rezoning application for Destination Place. David Brickley has drafted a letter to Supervisor Franklin. It is important for the parcel's development to include a connection to the PHNST easement on the adjacent property. The property serves as a gateway for both the PHNST and for Prince William County from Fairfax. The TBC could suggest a vision for a waterfront linear park to address the need for a gateway and the future ferry.

Those present requested that staff invite the developer to attend the next meeting of the TBC to share the vision for the project.

Belmont has not completed construction and therefore has not satisfied all proffers.

The Committee asked if a groundbreaking could be scheduled for the Featherstone segment's construction. Janet will connect with Communications.

Powell's Creek Crossing:

Leesylvania State Park master includes the future construction of a parking lot and rest room on the west side of the park.

Staff and consultants will continue to connect with more neighbors and HOAs near the crossing.

David Brickley and Neil Nelson met with Potomac Shores HOA Trails Committee this week. It was a positive meeting.

Dumfries Gaps:

Liz Cronauer looked at Quantico Creek under Fraley Boulevard and found there to be mass amounts to Japanese knotweed blocking any potential underpass access to Cecil Garrison Park.

Yolanda Hipski continues to check for updates on the Town of Dumfries website relating to the Town's comprehensive plan update.

3. Adjourn

Janet Bartnik noted that the 5th anniversary of the Neabsco Boardwalk's opening is coming up June 1. She shared a video of the opening day.

Next PHNST Subcommittee meeting was set for July 17.