



Hillsborough CTST – January 26, 2022

Meeting started at 9:30 am

- I. **Welcome and Introductions were made**
November minutes were approved.

- II. **Business Updates**

Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motorcycle Safety Updates

Pedestrian

William (City of Tampa): Thanked Hillsborough County and their consultant for the Bay to Bay Boulevard/Lois Avenue RSA.

Abigail (HC): Discussed the SRTS Program and how the County is working on the next six schools. They have completed their project advisory committee meetings. During those meetings, they share the GIS analysis and field review information for feedback from the group. Currently they are reviewing the proposed pedestrian improvements for King High School and Robles Elementary School. The Tier 1 improvements will be constructed this year for these six schools. She displayed the “pedestrian improvement toolbox” which detailed what is included in each “tier” treatment. In addition, they also have a HART Transit Pedestrian Access program in place where they have identified three projects to do preliminary engineering and feasibility analysis. This will improve pedestrian access to transit stops. The County’s first wayfinding project is Harvest Hope Park to Mort Elementary. This creative project includes colors, school themes, and community identity.

Bicycle

Brentin (CUTR): Stated that March is Florida Bike Month and CUTR will be very involved. They will be supporting events throughout the district. March 11th is Ride with the Mayor in Temple Terrace. Mentioned the districtwide Love to Ride competition is upcoming. He will send Mike the details once this is ready to go.

Motorcycles

N/A



Education

Jeannine (MADD): Continues education outreach. They are currently working with the 2nd semester high school kids in the driver's education classes. April is Alcohol Awareness Month. They will be having a statewide, at your own pace, bicycle ride being held in May.

- Walk Like MADD Tampa at USF March 25, contact Sharon Hall with any questions sharon.hall@madd.org, www.Walklikemadd.org/tampa
- Ride Like MADD FL Bike Challenge for May www.walklikemadd.org/event/flride

Dawn (TGH): Stated they partnered again with the Sheriff's Office for the Battle of the Belts with local high schools. The overall winner this year was Steinbrenner High School with Bloomingdale High School coming in second place.

Mike (FDOT): Mentioned they completed the PSA for the Move Over campaign. Ginger stated the PSA will be on all the social media outlets and WEDU television channel.

Enforcement-Crash Statistics

Olivia (HCSO): Discussed they have several grants (HVE, work zone safety, etc.) which they utilize to conduct enforcement and promote education throughout the County. Their officers are also giving educational presentations to high school kids.

Mike (FDOT): Gave the fatalities numbers for January. Bob and Mike discussed the total fatalities for 2021 which were 263 (to date) and 68 pedestrians.

- 11 – Total fatalities to date (FY '22)
- 1 Pedestrians YTD
- 1 Bicyclists YTD
- 0 Motorcycles YTD

Mike (FDOT): Discussed that they will be conducting a RSA on I-275; this will be completed primarily at night.

Brentin (CUTR): Mentioned that CUTR is doing a geofencing campaign around I-275 for work zone awareness safety. They are modifying a PSA for work zone safety.

Antonio (USFPD): Discussed crash statistics at USF. 2021 YTD, traffic accidents are up 86%, traffic stops are up by 3%, and traffic tickets are up by 58%. Discussion followed.



Engineering

William (COT): Discussed their new hire, Kelly Fearon. He also mentioned they are progressing with their school reviews and upgrades, as well as working through some of the vision zero projects. They are working with TPD on the City's "Always Stop" program in neighborhoods. He also discussed staff changes that are occurring at the City.

Kelly (COT): Said that they are looking at the school zones in Tampa, which includes flashers, pavement marking upgrades, making sure they are in compliance with speed zoning manual, and where kids are crossing and what pieces are missing.

Abigail (HC): Discussed the Vision Zero, Mango Road Tier 1 improvements. They are currently in the design phase and will be constructed this year. The County is also working on a Speed Management/Speed Zoning Study which will be kicked off next month. This will include a literature review and identify best practices which will be used to create a tool to establish target and design speed ranges; this will be a data driven approach. More details to come.

Bob (HC): Stated that for every resurfacing project, the County is performing a road safety audit (RSA). This will be done prior to developing the scope of the project. The objective of this is to include safety treatments in all HC resurfacing projects to address Vision Zero and try to keep the crash rates and fatalities down. The treatments could include rapid flashing beacons, speed limit changes, and/or street lighting. These will be installed at the same time as the resurfacing is occurring.

Bob (HC): The County is in the process of changing equipment through the school speed zone to meet the new State criteria. The at-grade will be implemented this year and next year, the overhead school-zone flashers/signage will be installed.

Swara (HC): Last year, the County completed two speed studies. As a result of the studies, they've implemented speed reductions. Photos displaying the completed work were shown during the meeting.

- 1st Street NW from Shell Point to 19th Avenue: Speed reduction from 40 mph to 35 mph
- Lynn Turner Road from Ehrlich Road to Gunn Highway: speed reduction from 45 mph to 40 mph

Swara (HC): Discussed another project. The Waters Avenue temporary channelization using quick curb at Thompson Center driveway between Anderson Road and Florida Mining Boulevard has been implemented in the field. They are following up with flashing beacons for Florida Mining Boulevard due to more traffic volumes being sent to Florida Mining from the channelization. The capital project for the signalization of Waters Avenue at Florida Mining Boulevard is ongoing. (She mentioned this project was originally brought up through the CTST



several years ago.) Bob mentioned also that they closed a median at the Cove Bend location at the request of HCSO and TPD due to high crashes (right angles, etc.). Bob mentioned that both of these projects came through the CTST, and the County completed an investigation, and took action to implement corrective measures.

Mike (FDOT): Mentioned that the construction on I-275 is about to ramp up. They are also changing the radii on Fowler Avenue, from the interstate to 56th Street.

School Transportation Items

Shirley (HCSB): Nothing to report at this time.

Bob (HC): Discussed the new road which was completed, Citrus Park Drive extension, from Sheldon Road to Countryway Boulevard. Traffic patterns have changed. They will be conducting a before and after evaluation of the new roadway. Discussion followed. Shirley said it went well when the road opened.

HSIP Updates

Mahshid's (AQC): Discussed the LPIs that were implemented last year. They met and exceeded their goal of 500 LPIs. She thanked everyone. For SRTS, she thanked Abigail for contacting her on the applications. The deadline for them is the end of January. Looking forward to receiving HSIP applications City of Tampa and HC. She is waiting to hear back from City of Plant City and City of Temple Terrace. Please let her know if you need any information.

Vision Zero Updates

Abigail (HC): Stated they are working through the eight corridors that were studies by the TPO. They are currently working on Mango Road and 78th Street will be next. 78th Street is in the design phase now for the Tier 1 improvements.

III. Calendar Updates / Activity Reports

Mike (FDOT): Gave the January campaigns.

- Move Over Campaign (January 1st – February 28th)
- Drivers Safety Education Month (January 1st – January 31st)



Community Traffic Safety Team
of Hillsborough County

- National Human Trafficking Prevention Month (January 1st – January 31st)

Brentin (CUTR): March 11th is the City of Temple Terrace's Bike with the Mayor. Love to Ride Challenge will be for the entire month of March.

IV. Open Forum / Announcements

Mike (FDOT): April 27th is the date for the combined CTST meeting which will be held in Pasco County. This will be an in-person team. Each CTST will highlight what they've has been doing, etc.

Mike (FDOT) and Bob (HC) discussed that we are not changing this meeting date to a different day/week. The group decided to stick with the day/week they currently have.

Andrew (SDofHC): Asked about when a development closes a sidewalk, is this information being told/given to the City or County? Bob stated that is not supposed to occur; they can bot shut down pedestrian activity. There is a new development going in on the west side of 78th Street and this has closed the sidewalk off for students trying to get to school. Bob asked Swara to open a customer service request and initiate action to investigate this. Andrew was asked to discuss the Progress Boulevard overpass over I-75. Bob said he believed that there was an investigation and engineering report and gave that information back to the School District.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12am

In attendance: Mahshid Arasteh, Sarah Bringer, Bob Campbell, George Edmiston, Swara Farheen, Kelly Fearon, Scott Freidman, Abigail Flores, Anna Grundmann, Jennifer Hall, Alan Hill, Jeannine Lawrence, Dawn Lewis, Brentin Mosher, Ravi Narayanan, William Porth, Shirley Ready, Ginger Regalado, Olivia Ryall, Melissa Shepherd, Don Skelton, Andrew Smith, Ellen Snelling, Michael Taylor, Antonio Velez, Mike Zinn