



**Steering Committee Meeting
Video Conference**

MINUTES
December 16, 2020
3:30PM – 4:30PM

I. Welcome – Mayor Woolsey

Mayor Woolsey welcomed everyone.

II. Previous Meeting Minutes – Mayor Woolsey

Minutes from October 2020 Steering Committee meeting were approved unanimously.

III. Phase 1 Project Update – Devri Detoma, Sheila Sororian

Right-of-way acquisition will move forward after the maintenance agreement is executed, hopefully by the end of January 2021. The 90% plans are being reviewed by the City of Charleston, Town of James Island, and the City of Folly Beach. It was recommended that Toole Design review the plans on behalf of the Steering Committee.

The project will include green bike pavement markings. These were reviewed at the October 2020 meeting.

Motion to have Toole Design review the 90% plans on behalf of the Steering Committee. Motion carried.

IV. Multi-Use Path Design Guidance – Carol Jackson

As three of the four jurisdictions now have the 12-foot multi-use path requirement incorporated into the overlay district, it was recommended that Toole Design create a set of design guidelines that can be given to property owners/developers explaining best practices for implementing the multi-use path. Toole Design would begin by reviewing available guidance from the Rethink Folly Road Plan, BCDCOG regional bike/ped plan, and other sources.

Motion to have Toole Design develop multi-use path design guidance. Motion carried.

V. City of Charleston Urban Growth Boundary – Christopher Morgan

As reviewed during the December 2020 Steering Committee meeting, Charleston County and the City of Charleston each established an Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) in the 1990s; in their original iterations, much of James Island was outside these UGBs. Charleston County moved its UGB beyond James Island when they updated their comprehensive plan in the mid-2000s; however, the City has never moved its UGB. As current developments and zoning, including the Folly Road Overlay District, allow suburban-

and urban-scale densities, the City of Charleston would like the Committee's feedback on whether they should adjust their UGB to include the Folly Road Overlay.

The Steering Committee discussed the possibility of moving the UGB, and, while there was an understanding of the logic behind the adjustment, concerns were expressed with maintaining rural character and being cognizant of environmental impacts of development. There was consensus that this would be further fleshed out as the City's Comprehensive Plan process continued, and it was not necessary for the Steering Committee to take any action at this time.

VI. Jurisdictional Updates – Various

Brief updates regarding development along Folly Road were provided from various jurisdictions.

Town of James Island - Kristen Crane

- 765 Folly Road, Oyster Point Seafood (i.e., formally Huffs Seafood) – Parking lot is being reconfigured to provide better organization, add picnic tables and curb stops, and possibly designate a food truck area.
- 792 Folly Road (i.e., behind Charleston Sports Pub and Hurricane Boxing) – Reconfigure/add parking with curb stops and landscaping.
- 890/896 Folly Road, Chase Bank (i.e., former Pizza Hut and Subway) – Site plan was submitted for formal review. Existing buildings will be demolished, and lot line reconfigurations are proposed.
- Planning Commission has recommended the five-year review of the Comprehensive Plan to Town Council.

City of Charleston – Christopher Morgan

- 1150 Folly Road – Residence that is converting to an office; they will install a multi-use path along their frontage.
- Folly Road at Tatum Street – Several properties are being combined for a new Refuel Gas Station; they will install a multi-use path along their frontage.

City of Charleston – Councilmember Carol Jackson

- The City recently installed no parking signs on Folly Road near Battery Island Drive (i.e., in the vicinity of Tattooed Senorita and The Barrel), and they are enforcing the signs. The City is working with the businesses to determine alternative locations for customers to park.

Charleston County – Niki Grimball

- 515 Folly Road (i.e., corner of McHenry Avenue) – Carolina One Realty; County has requested a reduction in the right-away buffer to achieve a multi-use path.
- 541 Folly Road – Charleston EMT expansion onto adjacent vacant lot and inclusion of a multi-use path.
- 1573 Folly Road – Proposed Corky's equipment sales. They have included a 9-foot multi-use path, due to transmission pole constraint, with Charleston County maintaining it. Based on

Steering Committee comment, the County will request that the path be divided around the pole to achieve 6 feet in each direction.

- Tattooed Senorita – Appeared before BZA, and they are close to having their plans in compliance. More information on path encroachment will be provided at the next meeting.

City of Folly Beach – Councilmember Adam Barker

- At the December 2020 Council meeting the second reading of Ordinance 1520 was passed. Adoption requires 12-foot multi-use path be installed upon development or redevelopment of any non-single-family use project within the Folly Road Corridor Overlay District.

VII. Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned.