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**GREEN AND COMPLETE STREETS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting of the Green and Complete Streets Advisory Council**

**December 5, 2024, 4:30 PM, First Floor Conference Room, 444 Westminister Street, Providence RI, 02903**

**Overseeing Body:** City of Providence Department of Planning and Development

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Voting members present: Kathleen Gannon, Aislinn Hanley, Alana Deluty, Cedric Ye, Julissa Arce, Rosie Jaswal

Non-voting Ex-Officio members present: Ian Cullings, Alex Ellis (virtual), Priscilla De La Cruz, Cpt Luis SanLucas

Ms. Gannon called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Following roll call, Ms. Gannon introduced item #2, approval of minutes from the November 18, 2024 meeting. Ms. Hanley moved approval, Ms. Jaswal seconded, and all voted in favor. Ms. Gannon moved on to the next agenda item, overview of review procedure. Mr. Cullings gave this overview. Ms. Gannon moved on to the next agenda item, an update on walk signal improvements, but as Mr. Urso was not present there was no update.

Ms. Gannon moved on to the next agenda item, an update on the Safe Streets for All grant project. Mr. Cullings provided a brief general update then described the status of the Safety Action Plan Update, including the safety data analysis, urban trail network update, and policy recommendations. There was discussion, and the following motions were made:

- Ms. Deluty moved that the draft recommendation for weight-based fees be modified to also make mention of vehicle characteristics such as hood height that are relevant to safety. Mr. Ye seconded and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.
- Ms. Gannon moved that the draft recommendation to improve routes to the train station for walking and bicycling be modified to include improving routes to schools to reduce traffic congestion. Ms. Hanley seconded and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.
- Ms. Gannon moved that before any changes are made to existing active transportation infrastructure that data analysis be conducted to understand the safety impact, and only make changes that do not negatively impact safety. Ms. Hanley seconded and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.
- Ms. Gannon moved that the draft recommendation about daylighting incorporate prioritization of implementation based on data collection and analysis, and that the “where possible” language be removed. Mr. Ye seconded and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.
- Ms. Gannon moved that the draft recommendation to complete a curbside management plan be modified to state the inclusion of parking spaces, loading zones, improvements to overnight parking,

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electric vehicle charging, bike lanes, bus stops, bus lanes, and daylighting as priority uses of the curb. Ms. Deluty seconded, and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.

- Mr. Ye moved that large institutions be required to develop a plan to build active mobility infrastructure and supporting active mobility policies in and around campuses, as well as satellite buildings. These should be made in a specific plan incorporated into the institutional master plans. Ms. Deluty seconded and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal who abstained.
- Mr. Ye moved to include a recommendation for a neighborhood traffic calming program. Ms. Hanley seconded, and all voted in favor except Ms. Jaswal, who abstained.

Ms. Gannon moved on to the next agenda item, Announcements, Staff Updates, and Public Comment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 PM.

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Respectfully submitted by Alex Ellis.

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