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Collins Park Civic
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On behalf of the Route 9 Master Plan Monitoring Committee (R9MC), thank you for joining us at the February 2022 meeting to discuss the SR 9: *Landers Lane to A Street* Capital Transportation Plan (CTP) project. The R9MC is pleased DeIDOT is advancing this important project, which promises to fulfill several core transportation recommendations in the Route 9 Master Plan. We are also grateful of DeIDOT's early engagement in the project's development.

New Castle Prevention
Coalition

Overview Gardens /
Garfield Park Civic
Association

As discussed, the R9MC developed and approved a local project prioritization process in 2018. This is designed to help guide which elements of the CTP project should proceed first. That process is described in this white paper:

ProRank Business
Solutions, LLC

http://wilmapco.org/Rt_9/Route9MP_TransportationPriorityWhitePaper.pdf

Rep. Frank Cooke

At our March 2022 meeting the R9MC reaffirmed the use of that process, and the resultant project element rankings, to help determine which project elements should proceed first. As shown on the following page, we updated the scoring based on new crash data. While we feel all project elements are important, based on that analysis, we suggest that projects along Route 9 from Memorial Drive to Rogers Road, including intersection rebuilds, should proceed first. Another high-scoring project was the full build of the successful Memorial Drive Road Diet.

Rosegate Civic
Association

Rose Hill Gardens Civic
Association

University of Delaware
Partnership for Healthy
Communities

Additionally, the R9MC looks forward to continued coordination with DeIDOT's Civil Rights Division through our Small Business and Workforce Development Subcommittee. We would like to ensure that local entrepreneurs are encouraged to join DeIDOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program and that local labor is given preference for construction jobs and training opportunities associated with this project. It is our understanding that the new federal transportation bill enables the placement of local labor provisions on federally funded projects. This CTP project would be an ideal pilot project for the DeIDOT to introduce these provisions and, in so doing, fulfill a key community goal to increase the number Route 9 residents employed at a living-wage job.

YWCA Delaware

The mission of the Route 9 Master Plan Monitoring Committee is to help guide and fulfill the recommendations of the Master Plan, which established a shared vision for the transportation and land use redevelopment of the Route 9 corridor. This work will be accomplished through a collaborative dialogue between its membership, which includes implementing agencies, local civic and community leaders, other key stakeholders, and the communities they represent.

2022 Route 9 Transportation Project Prioritization*

MULTIMODAL ROADWAY PROJECTS

Name	2018 Priority Score	2022 Priority Score
SR 9 Road Diet/Streetscape: Memorial Dr to Lambson Ln	61	61
Memorial Drive at SR 9 Roundabout	51	61
SR 9 Road Diet/Streetscape: Lambson Ln to Rogers Rd	47	53
Rogers Rd at SR 9 Intersection Rebuild	47	47
Memorial Drive Road Diet: Full Build	41	47 (up 2 rank)
Multiuse Center Lane Pathway: I-295 at SR 9	43	45
Cherry Ln at SR 9 Roundabout	44	44 (down 2 rank)
SR 9 Road Diet/Streetscape: Buttonwood Ave to Cherry Ln	38	44 (up 1 rank)
Terminal Avenue at SR 9 Roundabout	38	40 (down 1 rank)
Karlyn Drive at Memorial Drive Intersection Rebuild	35	35
SR 9 Road Diet/Streetscape: Rogers Rd to Terminal Ave	31	31
Stamm Blvd at SR 9 Intersection Rebuild	27	27
Memorial Drive Road Diet: Interim Build	18	24

OFF-ROAD PEDESTRIAN/BIKE

Name	2018 Priority Score	2022 Priority Score
Neighborhood connections pathway network (multiple projects)	41	41

FEASIBILITY STUDIES

Name	2018 Priority Score	2022 Priority Score
Pigeon Point Rd Extension w/new I-295 interchange Concept Study	28	28
Garasches Ln to Terminal Ave Extension Concept Study	16	16

TRUCK MOVEMENT

Name	2018 Priority Score	2022 Priority Score
Illegal truck movement outreach and enforcement	21	21
Overnight electrified parking for port-related trucks	16	16
Comprehensive truck signage	17	17
Inventory of diesel activity at Port of Wilmington	11	11

*Crash scores (both overall and walking/biking crashes) were updated based on 2019-2021 crashes (previously 2013-2015).

Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing you at a future R9MC meeting with additional project updates. I can be reached at: bswiatek@wilmapco.org, or 302-737-6205 x113.

Sincerely,



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