

WILMAPCO Council

Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: November 4, 2021

Action Item #12 : To Approve Ranking of Project Prioritization for the 2021 Delaware Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Candidate Projects

Description/Summary of Item:

Staff will present prioritization for potential priority projects to be evaluated by DelDOT for funding through the statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements funding pool. Projects and the prioritization are drawn from the prioritization of submissions to the FY 2023-26 TIP approved by Council on May 13, 2021 with modifications by staff and committees.

Summary of Action Taken by PAC:

The PAC did not take action on this item.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC:

The TAC recommended approval of the project list as proposed by the Nonmotorized Transportation Working Group (NMTWG)

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):

The NMTWG discussed the project list and prioritization at their October 5 meeting. They recommended the approval of the prioritization and project list with the addition of a City of Wilmington project.

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:

The WILMAPCO staff recommends that Council approve the prioritization of projects for submission to DelDOT.

RESOLUTION

WILMAPCO Council:

John Sisson, Chair
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**BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)
APPROVING THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY PRIORITIZATION OF
2021 CANDIDATE PROJECTS FOR THE
DELDOT BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDING POOL**

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, WILMAPCO and other MPOs are entrusted with project selection; and

WHEREAS, funding is limited and many proposed projects exist; and

WHEREAS, the Prioritization Process was adopted by Council May 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the prioritization process will continue to be refined as experience is gained in using the system and as better scoring criteria are developed; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed the technical scoring; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Department of Transportation uses this project ranking to assess WILMAPCO priorities when ranking projects statewide;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council approves the project prioritization for the candidate bicycle/pedestrian projects for submission to the Delaware Department of Transportation.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council

DRAFT Candidate Projects for 2021 Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Pool

Line	Project Name	Description	Source	Technical Score	Council Rank
	<i>Bicycle / Pedestrian</i>				
1	East Coast Greenway: New Castle - Churchmans Crossing gaps (approx. 2.8 mi)	East Coast Greenway: New Castle - Churchmans Crossing gaps (approx. 2.8 mi)	NCC Bicycle Plan	29	1
2	East Coast Greenway: Churchmans Crossing - Newark gaps (approx 0.2 mi)	East Coast Greenway: Churchmans Crossing - Newark gaps (approx .2 mi)	NCC Bicycle Plan	29	1
3	12th St: Walnut - Adams	Protected bike lane/shared use path	Wilmington Bike Plan	27	*
4	US 40: SR 1 - US 13, Sidepaths	Pedestrian / bicycle improvement	US 40 Plan Phase 3	26	2
5	Commons Blvd Pathway	Multiuse path from Jack Markell Trail to Churchmans Rd	NCC Bicycle Plan	20	5
6	Old Baltimore Pike: SR 72 - SR 273, Sidepath	Pedestrian / bicycle improvement	US 40 Plan Phase 3	19	6
7	US 40: Newtown Trail & Pedestrian Improvements	Pedestrian / bicycle improvement	US 40 Plan	17	7
8	North Claymont Naamans Pathway	Naamans Road shared use pathway	NCAMP	16	8
9	I-495 / US 13 Pedestrian Improvements	Improve pedestrian bridge and connector trail over I-495 pedestrian bridge	NCAMP	15	9
10	US 13: US 40 - Tybouts Corner, Sidepaths	Pedestrian / bicycle improvement	US 40 Plan Phase 2	14	10
11	DE 896: US 40 to Porter Road, Sidepaths	Pedestrian / bicycle improvement	NCC Bicycle Plan	12	12

Projects have been drawn from the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and Project Prioritization for the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

* Not included in TIP project prioritization. Added by the NMTWG