GOVERNOR PRINTZ BOULEVARD CORRIDOR STUDY VISIONING WORKSHOP

January 29, 2020
Welcome!

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WILMAPCO
Study Area
Agenda (5:00 – 8:00pm)

5:00   Sign In / Visit Information Boards

6:00   Presentation

6:30   Small Group Activity

7:30   Next Steps
Tonight’s meeting

• Introduce the Governor Printz Boulevard Corridor Study
  • Purpose
  • Process
  • Existing conditions in the study area

• Engage the community – YOU!
  • Developing a shared vision, goals
  • Identifying current issues
  • Identifying and prioritizing key improvements
Purpose and desired outcome

• Improve mobility, safety, and travel choices while supporting sustainable economic development and enhanced neighborhood vitality

• Identify and assess the feasibility of multimodal transportation projects that will accommodate current and future transportation and land use needs, including walking, bicycle travel, transit, and roadway
Project Partners

- Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO)
- Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT)
- Delaware Transit Corporation (DTC)
- New Castle County Department of Land Use
- Delaware Greenways
Advisory Committee Members

• Land owners, businesses, civic entities, and elected officials
• City of Wilmington
• New Castle County Chamber of Commerce
• Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC)
• Claymont Renaissance Development Corporation (DRAC)
• Council of Civic Organizations of Brandywine Hundred (CCOBH)
• Delaware Office of State Planning Coordination
• East Coast Greenway Alliance
Process

Leah Kacanda
Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP
Planning activities

1. Issues and constraints  DRAFT COMPLETE
2. Community visioning  WE ARE HERE
3. Develop initial transportation concepts for analysis
4. Feasibility assessment of preferred concept
5. Preferred concept and final report
1. Issues and constraints

- Existing conditions and future trends
  - Land use
  - Development activity
  - Demographic trends
  - Economic development/employment
  - Transportation conditions
  - Environmental and cultural resources
  - Schools/community facilities

- Draft report is complete
2. Community visioning

• A successful corridor study is built on:
  • Comprehensive stakeholder input
  • Sound technical analysis

• Work will be guided by:
  • Staff Committee of agency representatives
  • Advisory Committee with broad representation from the community

• **Public input like this visioning workshop**

• Website and social media
3. Concept development & analysis

- Informed by issues/constraints data
- Built on the community vision
- Reviewed by the Staff Committee and Advisory Committee
3. Concept development

What concepts might look like:
4. Feasibility assessment

• Concept(s) will be evaluated in respect to:
  • Facilities for walkers
  • Facilities for people who ride bikes
  • Facilities for transit users
  • Vehicular travel time forecast
  • Potential environmental impacts

• Public workshop in summer 2020 to review results
5. Preferred concept/report

• Selection of preferred concept based on:
  • Comprehensive stakeholder input
  • Data analysis and review

• Final report
  • Purpose
  • Existing conditions
  • Goals and vision
  • Scenarios considered
  • Evaluation process
  • Final recommended alternative
Existing Conditions

Mike Campbell
Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP
Existing Conditions
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Land Use

Legend

Future Land Use
New Castle County, 2012

- Commercial / Office
- Heavy Industrial
- Residential - High Density
- Residential - Medium Density
- Residential - Low Density
- Municipal
- Other - parks, schools, churches

This map is based on the Future Land Use Map from the New Castle County 2012 Comprehensive Plan. The category "other" was created for this map to show lands for which the uses are protected or not expected to change in the future. That characterization is not an actual representation of the future land use, nor the zoning."
Existing Conditions
Coastal Zone
Population & Employment Projections

What is a TAZ?
TAZ stands for traffic analysis zone. A TAZ is a special area delineated by state and/or local transportation officials for tabulating traffic-related data - especially journey-to-work and place-of-work statistics. A TAZ usually consists of one or more census blocks, block groups, or census tracts.

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Source: WILMAPCO 2010 Demographic Projections

Legend
- Study Area
- Park and Open Spaces

0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles

WILMAPCO
Delaware County Council
DelDOT
DART
Delaware Greenways
Places for Walking
Places for Biking

Legend
- Comfortable for all ages and abilities
- Comfortable for most adults
- Comfortable only for experienced cyclists
- Uncomfortable for most people
- Trails
- Study Area
- Parks and Open Spaces

Miles
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Area Transit
Level of Service
Level of Service
Future changes along the corridor

- New Claymont Transportation Center
- Potential new road connecting Tri-State Mall, Claymont Steel Property, and Knollwood Development, and relocated Claymont train station
- Reimagining Philadelphia Pike as a main street
- Proposed new alignment for the East Coast Greenway
- Proposed development in Claymont
- Port development at Edgemoor
North Claymont Area Master Plan

PROPOSED
- Unsignalized intersections (right turn in, right turn out movements only)
- Signalized Intersections
- Multi-Use Pathway (East Coast Greenway)
- Enhanced Walking and Bicycling Network
- New Streets (Major) - With High Quality Facilities for Walking and Bicycling
- New Streets (Minor) - With High Quality Facilities for Walking and Bicycling
- New Industrial Connection
  - Development Node: North of Naamans Rd
  - Development Node: Between Naamans Rd and Philadelphia Pike
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First State Crossing
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Plans subject to New Castle County, DNREC, and DelDOT regulations and review
$580 million Wilmington port takeover could add over 5,000 jobs

International port operator Global Ports wants to invest $574 million to retool the existing Port of Wilmington and build a new container terminal on the Delaware River at Edgemoor, Peter Richards, CEO of the company, said in an interview.
Existing Conditions
East Coast Greenway

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Delaware Greenways
What do you want Governor Printz Boulevard to look like?
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For people who **walk**
For people who **bike**
For people who take **transit**
For people who **drive**
Tonight’s Activities

1. Introduce yourselves, draft vision #1
2. Identify improvements
3. Report out
4. Improvement prioritization polling
5. Draft vision #2 and poll results

Ground Rules

- Listen actively
- Each person is given opportunity to speak
- Disagreement is healthy, but do so respectfully
- Stay on point
- Stay on time
Tonight’s Activities

Improvement Identification:
• Get specific and choose the top two per category

Tabulation and Report Out:
• What specific improvements came up among all of the groups?
• Were there any improvements from other tables that your group did not raise?

Improvement Prioritization:
• From all ideas, which specific improvements are most important to you?
Improvement Identification Results

People who walk

A. Improvement
B. Improvement
C. Improvement
Improvement Identification Results

People who bike

A. Improvement
B. Improvement
C. Improvement
Improvement Identification Results

People who take transit

A. Improvement
B. Improvement
C. Improvement
Improvement Identification Results

People who drive

A. Improvement
B. Improvement
C. Improvement
Online Survey

• Invite your neighbors / friends to help shape Governor Printz Boulevard’s future

• Visit www.wilmapco.org/governorprintz by Saturday, February 29 to complete the online survey
Thank you!

Next Steps

• If you provided your email address, you will receive notice of future meetings (the next will be in the summer)

• Follow our progress at www.wilmapco.org/governorprintz

• Questions or concerns?

  Contact Heather Dunigan at hdunigan@wilmapco.org
  or 302-737-6205 ext 118