



**HERNDON PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 27, 2025**

1. Call to Order

Chair John called the August 27, 2025, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Town of Herndon Council Chambers Building, 765 Lynn Street, Herndon, Virginia. Committee Members in attendance: Sherry Blanton, Paul LeReche, Ian MacDonald, Samuel Richardson, Vice Chair James Nardei, and Chair Annie John.

Councilmember Cesar del Aguila was present.

Staff present during the meeting: Bob Williams, Director of Parks and Recreation; Amanda Kertz, Town Clerk; Fadrique Iglesias, Community Planner; and Aaron Zoellick, Clerk of Boards and Commissions.

Chair John determined there was a quorum of six members present. Board Members absent from the meeting: None.

2. Comments from the Audience

No comments were offered.

3. Comments from the Council Liaison

Councilmember del Aguila thanked the committee members for their attendance and participation.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. April 30, 2025, PBAC Committee Minutes

Committee Member Paul LeReche motioned to approve the minutes for the April 30, 2025, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Nardei. The question was called on the motion and the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

5. Comments

a. Comments from the Staff Members

No comments were offered.

b. Comments from the Committee Members

No comments were offered.

6. Old Business/Project Updates

a. Existing and Upcoming Transportation Projects

Chair Annie John recognized Mr. Iglesias for an update.

Mr. Iglesias stated that Mr. Shindlecker is unable to attend this evening's meeting. Mr. Iglesias will distribute Mr. Shindlecker's comments to the committee.

b. Roadway Safety Action Plan

Mr. Iglesias delivered a staff presentation dated August 27, 2025, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

Mr. Iglesias directed Committee Members to the website for Herndon's Roadway Safety Action Plan to provide feedback.

There was discussion among staff and Committee Members on this item, including: (1) whether existing comments appear on the website; (2) an error that occurs - when the Spanish version is scanned, it brings up the English survey; (3) improving the layout of the website to get as much input as possible; (4) clarification on what counts as a "non-visible injury" (5) whether there is a chart or a map that shows all of the incidents; (6) whether there are mitigations already in place; (7) the inclusion of whole numbers of incidents, in addition to percentages, would be useful to understand the data; (8) the number of incidents that involve repeat offenders; (9) displaying the number of incidents with the comments submitted in order to establish any correlation; (10) outreach events planned; (11) Wednesday night at the Green Lizard for a possible outreach event; (12) the possibility of sending the survey to Herndon schools; and (13) clarification on the expected product as a result of the survey.

Mr. Iglesias will provide a PDF with links to the Committee Members to share with their networks. The survey closes on September 30.

Councilmember del Aguila suggested that the map showing where incidents occurred be made available to the public.

Mr. Iglesias stated that this survey will contribute to Road Safety Studies and an ADA Transition Plan.

Councilmember del Aguila stated that this will be considered in the budget.

7. **New Business**

a. **Roadway safety audit location**

Chair John recognized Mr. Iglesias for an update on the roadway safety audit locations.

Mr. Iglesias provided an update that included discussions on improvements to traffic safety light timing and improvements to pedestrian-motorist safety. Mr. Iglesias will provide the final report to Committee Members.

There was discussion among staff and Committee Members on this item, including: (1) a damaged crash barrier identified in the report - whether it is worth placing or whether it should be removed; (2) whether buses are having trouble turning because of blindspots; (3) putting cameras on buses; (4) action taken by the Town Council following the final report; (5) need for immediate action on parking issues on Florida Avenue and Alabama Avenue; (6) need to address street lighting issues; (7) clarification on what "bicycle only crash" means; (8) clarification on what "pedestrian only crash" means; (9) large number of incidents near Spring Street and Elden Street; (10) no right on red in both directions at intersection of Spring Street and Elden Street; (11) people running across the street to catch the bus near Alabama Drive and Elden Street; (12) people possibly having difficulty interpreting traffic signals/signs - need for a crossing guard; (13) data available near Herndon schools; (14) clarification why the data is limited to pedestrian and bicycles; and (15) whether any analysis on the information has been performed by staff.

Councilmember del Aguila stated that the final report will be a part of the audit process.

Mr. Iglesias stated that Mr. Shindlecker recommended a couple of locations for study: (1) South Elden Street near the former Kohl's location; (2) Elden Street and Alabama Drive; (3) Van Buren Street and the W&OD Trail.

The Committee Members came to a consensus that priority should be placed on (1) Alabama Drive and Elden Street; (2) Spring Street and Elden Street; and (3) Worldgate Drive and Centreville Road.

Mr. Iglesias stated that staff is seeking volunteers for the next roadway safety audit.

Committee Members Blanton and MacDonald volunteered.

b. 2025 Bike Friendly Community application and action plan

Chair John recognized Mr. Iglesias for an update.

Mr. Iglesias delivered a presentation dated August 27, 2025, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

There was discussion among staff and Committee Members on this item, including: (1) what is the next step from the bronze level and how does Herndon get there; (2) has Herndon already applied; (3) whether the application process was easier; (4) the staff's commitment in the application process; and (5) a goal for Herndon to move up to silver in the next two years.

c. 2025 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Awareness Month (October)

Chair John recognized Mr. Iglesias for an update.

Mr. Iglesias delivered a presentation dated August 27, 2025, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

Ms. Kertz provided an update on a resolution that will be sent to the Town Council for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Awareness Month.

Councilmember del Aguila encouraged committee members to attend the September 23, 2025, Town Council meeting to provide comment.

Committee Member MacDonald suggested reaching out to the schools again to provide information.

Councilmember del Aguila suggested reaching out to the Green Lizard.

d. Explore and support efforts to increase PBAC visibility via Town communication platforms

Chair John recognized Mr. Iglesias for an update.

Mr. Iglesias delivered a presentation dated August 27, 2025, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

Mr. Iglesias stated that staff is seeking input on how to improve PBAC visibility.

There was discussion among staff and Committee Members on this item, including: (1) including the advisory committee in communications; (2) the mayor could interview a committee member in his web series; (3) cycling-related events

that the community center is considering; (4) highlighting cycling opportunities in Parks and Rec communications; (5) writing a blog that can be promoted by the Town; and (6) using the Town's Facebook and Instagram accounts to promote cycling activities.

8. Adjournment

Committee Member MacDonald stated that construction of the cycle track on Herndon Parkway that goes under the W&OD trail is finished.

Chair John stated that the next Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting is October 22, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, and without objection, the August 27, 2025, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.