

ADVISORY COMMITTEE SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT

NOTE: Attach current list of members and identify officers.

Name of Committee:	Transportation Advisory Committee		
Date of Presentation:	July 18, 2016		
Time Period Covered:	May 2015- July 2016		
# of Meetings Held During Period (including any special meeting or community input)	7 Regular, 4 Subcommittee, and 1 Special Meeting		
MISSION & GOALS – Summarize concisely the committee’s mission (charge), key goals, objectives and measures below. You also may attach as a separate document, but limit to no more than one page single-spaced.			
<p>Mission: Identifies and studies issues and makes recommendations to the Board of Commissioners, and serve as a venue for public discourse on transportation and related issues. Pursues the long-term goal to have a sustainable transportation system that offers access to various modes of transportation for people and goods.</p> <p>TAC Strategic Plan Goals: The TAC (1.) Is a viable means for public participation in transportation decisions; (2.) Provides guidance and recommendations to BOC and county staff on policies and plans related to transportation; (3.) Provides meaningful guidance/recommendations to BOC and county staff on prioritizing transportation projects that impact Chatham residents; (4.) Collaborates with existing agencies to provide convenient and accessible transportation services; (5.) Measures and assess the status and quality of the transportation system; (6.) Provides credible information sharing on transportation issues relevant to Chatham County.</p>			
ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACTIVITIES – Summarize concisely below the committee’s major accomplishments and activities of the past year. This should include reports, research, projects, public input, etc. Be sure to identify how they relate to specific goals, objectives or measures. You also may attach as a separate document but limit to no more than one page single-spaced.			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Service as Steering Committee for Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This aligns with TAC Strategic Plan Goal #1. The TAC continues to support the development of the CTP (slated for completion in Nov/Dec 2016) with meaningful public input and participation. The Committee also stays updated on various legislative changes as well as transportation studies such as the NCDOT 15-501 corridor study and the Big Woods\64 synchronized street plan. 2. Promotion of Multimodal Transportation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aligning with Goal #5, The TAC served as a special stakeholder group to transportation consultants in February 2016 to provide meaningful input and participation. The TAC also created a Strategic Plan Subcommittee, to update the Strategic Plan and completed the final draft in June 2016 which it recommends to the Board for Adoption. • Aligning with Goal #2 The TAC advised adoption of the TARPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Framework in Aug 2015 as well as advised the projects for submission to the state transportation prioritization process in November 2016 and reviewed ranking methodology in April 2016. • The TAC has served as the recommending body for the use of DCHC-MPO discretionary funds for bike/ped signage study for the MPO portion of the county completed June 2016. 3. Diverse Representation on the TAC: New members were introduced Aug 2015. 			

BARRIERS & CHALLENGES – Identify any barriers or challenges that make it difficult for the committee to achieve goals or objectives. Limit to the space provided below.

1. The MPO SPOT 4.0 Methodology in ranking raw scores now state that bike/ped projects must be in the MTP. Going forward the county will need to rely heavily on strategizing which local projects to prioritize based on organized data.
2. County Growth- The TAC continues to stay involved and abreast of long range planning projects, recognizing the impacts of the approval of Chatham Park and other growth pressures evolving across the county. There is a major concern for the pressure put on major N-S Connectors and E-W Connectors and rural roads that will develop into more heavily used secondary routes.
3. Reconciling the different views on Rural Cyclist Safety.
4. The TAC has 3 member vacancies and vacancy for a Town of Cary representative.

RECOMMENDED CHANGES: Please list any recommendations to the Board of Commissioners related to the changes in the advisory committee's membership, mission, goals, objectives or other related issues.

1. The TAC requests special transportation topic speakers at meetings as agenda allows.
2. The TAC requests periodic updates on transportation related development.

OTHER INFORMATION: Provide any other information or observations that the Board of Commissioners should know about. Provide in the space below.

1. The TAC is continuing to seek out opportunities to reach out to the general public about important transportation related information relevant to the County.