

## Infrastructure BPAC Subcommittee Meeting October 5, 9:30am to 10:30am Rutgers University 33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ

Note: Meeting was interrupted by fire alarm, and only lasted 30 minutes.

## Roundtable project updates

- Announcement of the release of a new resource; Federal Transit
   Administration's Manual on Pedestrian and Bicycle Connections to Transit came
   out August 2017.
- Mercer County looking to put in a bike corridor and increase the connectivity of the bike routes; Looking to hear what types of facilities the Design and Infrastructure Subcommittee would suggest or what resources should be used.
  - Suburban route winning a complete street award in Mercer County was mentioned; was unusual but well deserved.
- NJ Transportation Planning Authority was conducting a study about Bike and
   Pedestrian accessibility to transit in 6 communities.
  - The new FTA handbook was brought up as a good resource for them to use.
- Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission was carrying out a study about levels of traffic stress and connectivity. The end goal seems to connect streets with Low LTS and expanding the bike network.
- Hudson County Planning working with NJTPA to improve the conditions on Kennedy
   Boulevard which is a 4 lane (2 each way) street that crosses through 5 municipalities.
  - o They have been looking to carry out a corridor wide street smart campaign.
  - Is a road diet possible? The ADT is 26,000 vehicles, is this too much for a road diet?
  - o How can we make the corridor safe? Looking for more than just spot treatments.



- Question was asked "Are they trying to reduce traffic on Kennedy or divert the traffic around it?
- o End goal is to make the route safer as it had 8 pedestrian fatalities just last year.
  - Enforcement, speeding issues
  - Looking at crash types along the corridor to match it with engineering fixes.
- o Idea from Patterson; using helicopter to track vehicles, can it be adjusted to pedestrians, to understand where trips beginning and ending along the corridor.
- Will be putting together the RFP soon.
  - Looking for big ideas that emphasize pedestrian safety.
  - Have to deal with the PATH station.
  - Thinking on the human scale.
  - At the moment not looking to add bicycle infrastructure.