



**Anne Arundel County Bicycle Advisory Commission**

**2016 End of Year  
Annual Report**

To: Steve Schuh, Anne Arundel County Executive

From: Jon Korin, Chair

Date: January 10, 2017

Our principal goal continues to be to build out a “safe, interconnected network of bike routes including trails, on-road and protected bike lanes.” This is both a multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional endeavor and our monthly meetings continue to bring the right people to the table, those who can make substantial change and positive progress in this area.

The meetings have been well attended and our ten ex officio members representing County Police, Planning and Zoning, Department of Public Works, Inspections & Permits, Recreation & Parks, Anne Arundel Community College, Executive Office, County Council as well as representatives from the City of Annapolis and Maryland State Highway Administration are often supplemented by guests from various county departments, including Transit Director Ramond Robinson. In 2016, we added ex officio representatives from County Inspections and Permits and State Highway Administration, District 5. Our thirteen citizen members represent the geographic spread of the county and bring a variety of professional skills and cycling objectives. Our December 2016 meeting was attended by ten additional county and City of Annapolis employees who actively participated.

In 2016, the county accelerated budgeting and construction of its trail network and we will continue to press for further acceleration. Unfortunately, on-road bike facilities have been slipping backward with new turn lanes impinging on shoulders and bike lanes. With the commission working with county staff we believe we are reversing this trend. The recent correction of the Bay Ridge Road driveway, the plans to place bike lane markings on Boulters Way and the addition of shoulders on certain county roads currently on the Department of Public Works’ project list, are steps in the right direction. This will continue to be a top focus for the commission in 2017.

We continue on the following actions:

1. **FY18 Budget Letter** – We provided specific recommendations for inclusion in the FY18 capital and operating budgets for the county and City of Annapolis. Two new suggested items that were included:
  - Crosswalk Safety Pilot Project: Funding for a Crosswalk Flashing Beacons/Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFB) Pilot Project to enhance bicyclist and pedestrian safety at uncontrolled county trail crossings with high volume and/or limited sight-lines.

Studies indicate Crosswalk Flashing Beacons have produced up to 90% driver compliance in yielding to pedestrians at higher-risk uncontrolled crosswalk.

- Complete Streets – Assure adequate staff resources and consultant funding to implement Complete Streets. This may include funding for staff in the Office of Planning and Zoning, DPW, and Inspections and Permits for design manual, policy and other updates as well as the Office of Law to prepare and submit legislation to implement the changes to County Code (Article 17) and Zoning Code (Article 18) to ensure bicycle and pedestrian accommodations will receive equal priority with road improvements. New sub-developments and commercial developments should have to comply with bike/ped requirements, and/or mitigate by funding other bike/ped projects.
2. **MDOT Priorities Letter** – We provided written input to the county’s annual Maryland Department of Transportation priorities letter to add focus on bicycle transportation. Virtually all of our recommendations were incorporated.
  3. **Inventory & Bike Infrastructure Project Tracking** – We have assembled the first project tracking system for *existing, in-process, programmed* and *planned* bicycle infrastructure. This should be taken over by the Bike Transportation Planner once hired. We estimate approximately 58 miles of existing trails and on-road bike lanes in the county with approximately 3.7 miles of that added in 2016. We are now tracking an approximate twenty additional miles in stages of planning, design or construction. There are also dozens of other candidate projects in the county and city bike/ped master plans. In addition, we need to add signage and bike parking (racks/lockers) to the project tracking system.
  4. **Grants** – Continue to identify leads for grant source identification, pursuit and tracking. In 2016 we received a \$200,000 Maryland Bikeways Grant for the continuation of the B&A Trail to Broadneck Trail/Anne Arundel Community College at-grade connector project.
  5. **Bike/Ped Planner & County Transit Director** – These new positions were funded by the county and should help to significantly move our objectives forward. The commission fought hard for the Bike/Ped Planner position and we are very excited that the position has been funded and hopefully filled soon. We plan to work with both coordinators and hope they will be active on the commission.

### **2017 Objectives:**

In 2017, we plan to launch task groups focused on the following objectives:

- **Infrastructure** – Build out network: trails, on-road.
- **Complete Streets** – Start the Working Group and update Design Manuals and other processes.
- **Legislative Package** – Work with county staff to develop a legislative package to improve focus on bicycle transportation. For example, current APF standards do not address bike/ped transportation impacts and opportunities. Additional item for consideration is codification of a Complete Street policy.
- **Transportation Plan /GDP/LPRP** – We will work to assure that the Transportation Functional Master Plan and the upcoming update to the General Development Plan and Land Preservation and Recreation Plans fully include non-motorized transportation and more closely integrate transportation and land use planning. We must assure that developers fully address bike and pedestrian transportation.

A safe interconnected network of bike routes is vital to Anne Arundel County's quality of life, environment and economic competitiveness. A multi-modal infrastructure will attract the next generation workforce, residents, entrepreneurs and visitors. We are appreciative of your continued support for the AACBAC and we are committed to fulfilling this vision for Anne Arundel County.

#### 2016 Meetings

1. January 12, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Linthicum Library, Linthicum
2. February 9, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Big Vanilla, Pasadena
3. March 8, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, West River Sailing Club, Galesville
4. April 12, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Severn Savings Bank, Annapolis
5. May 10, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Harman Community Room, Arundel Mills Mall, Hanover
6. June 15, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Annapolis City Hall, Annapolis
7. July 12, 2016, Anne Arundel Community College, Florestano Building, Arnold
8. August 9, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Odenton Regional Library, Odenton
9. September 13, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Historic Londontown Gardens, Edgewater
10. October 11, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Eastport Yacht Club, Annapolis\*
11. November 9, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Wegman's Community Room, Gambrills
12. December 12, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Heritage Center, Annapolis

\*County Executive Steve Schuh attended meeting to discuss directives, goals and progress.

#### Open Meeting Compliance

- Commission citizen member Evelyn Pisegna-Cook completed Maryland's Open Meeting Act virtual class on April 21, 2016.
- AACBAC regulations reviewed by Senior Assistant County Attorney and found to be in compliance with Act.
- Regulations approved by commission and signed by Jon Korin, June 15, 2016.
- Commission citizen member Michael Golden submits meeting minutes and meeting dates to Arlene Berlin, Director of Boards & Commissions, for posting on the county Web site.

Attachment: AACBAC Member List 2016

cc: Arlene Berlin  
Diane Croghan

# AACBAC MEMBERSHIP LIST

## 2016

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