



Meeting assets for AFSS Feb 2026 Zoom Meeting

Meeting summary

Quick recap

The meeting focused on two main topics: the Braddock Road corridor improvement project and updates on legislative efforts regarding traffic safety cameras. The group discussed the upcoming Traffic and Parking Board hearing on Monday regarding proposed safety improvements to Braddock Road, including protected bike lanes and safer pedestrian crossings, with several members planning to attend either in person or virtually. The meeting also covered updates on three traffic safety bills currently moving through the Virginia General Assembly: speed safety cameras (one with expansion beyond school zones to “red hot zones”) and stop sign cameras, with Mike Doyle providing details on their progress and potential implementation. The group also discussed their ongoing data analysis of high-crash corridors like Richmond Highway South and Mount Vernon Avenue, and Tom Curcio shared his experience with Distracted Driving presentations for local schools.

Next steps

- [Katia: Attend and encourage others to attend the Traffic and Parking Board hearing on Braddock Road Corridor improvements on Monday at 7pm \(virtually or in person\) and support the safety redesigns.](#)
- [All interested members: Submit comments or speak at the Traffic and Parking Board hearing in support of Braddock Road safety redesigns, especially focusing on personal experiences and a variety of perspectives \(walking, biking, etc.\).](#)
- [Michael Griffith: Submit written comments to the Traffic and Parking Board regarding Braddock Road redesign, especially if unable to attend the hearing.](#)
- [Ken: Continue mobilizing BPAC members and others \(e.g., Blue Sky, bike bus group\) to speak or submit comments in support of Braddock Road safety improvements.](#)
- [Curcio \(Tom\): Share the Distracted Driving presentation materials with Mike/organization for possible use in high school outreach.](#)
- [Ken: Send Dan Reeves' APD report/minutes to Mike when available.](#)
- [All interested volunteers: Reach out to Katia to get involved in volunteer efforts \(technical, communications, outreach, etc.\).](#)

- [Curcio \(Tom\): Consider participating in future high school distracted driving presentations and coordinate with Mike/organization.](#)
- [All interested members: Consider volunteering as neighborhood liaisons to communicate local safety concerns to the organization.](#)
- [Mike: Try to obtain year-end crash data from Dan Reeves or via TREDIS for further analysis.](#)
- [Mike and team: Continue data analytics work on high crash corridors \(e.g., Richmond Highway South\) and prepare findings for advocacy use.](#)

Summary

Braddock Road Safety Design Plan

The meeting focused on the Braddock Road Corridor Improvement project, with Katia providing an overview of the proposed safety-focused design, including safer pedestrian and bicycle crossings, shorter crossing distances, continuous bike lanes, and a two-way protected bike lane near the metro station. The group discussed the upcoming Traffic and Parking Board public hearing on January 23rd at 7 p.m., with Ken emphasizing the importance of mobilizing support for the project. Michael Griffith, a former USDOT employee, expressed concerns about potential traffic flow issues and suggested finding a middle ground on the design, while Elena clarified that the city's traffic analysis showed no negative impact to traffic throughput. The group also addressed concerns about parking loss and the removal of turning lanes, with Elena noting that most homes in the corridor have off-street parking.

Transportation Safety and Infrastructure Updates

The group discussed transportation safety improvements, particularly focusing on bike lanes and pedestrian safety along a corridor near railroad tracks and schools. Ken explained how parking utilization could serve as traffic calming and buffer for pedestrians, while Melissa emphasized the need for future-facing solutions beyond reactive measures to past incidents. The conversation ended with an update on General Assembly activities, where Mike reported positive progress on speed safety cameras and stop sign cameras, noting a 70% reduction in violations in Prince George's County after implementing the latter technology.

Virginia Speed Camera Legislation Update

Mike discussed three bills related to speed safety cameras and their implementation in Virginia. He explained that HB 1220, introduced by Delegate Delaney, aims to tighten

regulations and ensure revenue from tickets is used for road safety improvements. HB 994, introduced by Seabolt, expands beyond school zones to the use of cameras to high-crash corridors, while HB 1330 focuses on stop sign enforcement cameras near schools. Mike noted that these bills have passed the House of Delegates and are awaiting Senate review. Brian S asked about the necessity of signage for cameras, to which Mike responded that Sweden uses rotating cameras to deter speeding without revealing which cameras are active. The discussion concluded with Ken questioning the perception of speed cameras as a "money grab" compared to other government revenue sources.

Pedestrian Safety Data Analysis Review

The group discussed pedestrian safety and fatalities, with Ken confirming that Officer Dan Reeve attended the previous BPAC meeting and would provide Dan's report in the upcoming meeting minutes. Separately, Mike reviewed data analysis being conducted by a team of data science students on high-crash corridors like Richmond Highway South, examining factors such as road design, overhead street lighting, and socioeconomic conditions. Tom shared his experience with pedestrian cases in the Mount Vernon area, highlighting design issues like difficult crossing locations and challenges faced by immigrants.

Traffic Safety Advocacy Plans

The group discussed traffic safety issues and plans for data-focused advocacy, including studying roads like Route 7, Duke Street, and Columbia Pike. Mike shared statistics on near-miss incidents, highlighting the high rate of failure to yield by drivers, and expressed interest in implementing stop sign cameras. Elena mentioned the city's application for a traffic study on Mount Vernon Avenue, which received funding from the Metropolitan Washington COG. The conversation ended with Katia inviting volunteers to join various efforts, including school outreach and neighborhood liaison roles, and Tom offered to share a distracted driving presentation for use in schools. Elena volunteered to be AFSS' liaison with the Del Ray community.

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