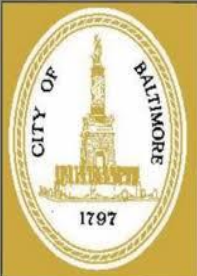


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TO:

Rules and Legislative Oversight Committee

I am herein reporting on City Council Resolution 24-0209R introduced by Vice President Middleton. The purpose of the Resolution is to invite representatives from the Departments of Transportation, Public Works, Housing and Community Development, the Parking Authority, the Mayor’s Office of Infrastructure Development, the Office of Equity and Civil Rights, and others to discuss four issues around bike infrastructure: the process for developing new bike infrastructure; the rationale for investing in bike infrastructure and its relationship with transit infrastructure needs and goals; how to achieve greater neighborhood engagement in bike infrastructure planning; and whether the strategic planning for all communities of existing and new transportation infrastructure is considered before developing new bike infrastructure.

In 2018, the City enacted Ordinance 18-197, the Complete Streets law that requires the Department of Transportation to construct and operate public streets “...in a way that considers the needs of all users and enables equitable and safe access.” In 2021 a Complete Streets Manual was adopted that includes guidelines on how transportation projects are prioritized, selected, planned, and implemented. A Complete Streets Advisory Committee was established, composed of the following representatives or their designees that are the major agencies working in the rights-of-way: Directors of Transportation, Public Works, Planning, Housing and Community Development, and the Chief of the Baltimore Fire Department. The Advisory Committee meets at least four times a year to discuss proposed Complete Streets projects and to assist with interagency collaborations.

The Department of Public Works supports the intent of City Council Resolution 24-0209R and will have representation at the Committee hearing.



Richard J. Luna
Interim Director