# Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council Meeting September 20, 2023 9:30 Arrival / 10 AM – 2 PM In-person / Hybrid Meeting Minutes

## 1) Affirm Quorum – 13 represented

## 2) Approve July 2023 minutes - unanimous

# 3) Updates

- Purpose Reviewing white papers
- ATSC Charter Update
  - Funding decision making process added to charter.

## 4) Study Team Recommendations

- Human Factors
- Mode Shift, Speed and Land Use
- Lighting
- Study Teams presented draft white papers or progress to date. Each team will incorporate suggestions and submit final versions by October 18, 2023.

#### 5) Fatality Case Review from August

- Bicyclist deaths up 100% from 2022, 11 fatalities
  - 8/11 fatalities over the age of 60.
  - Most fatalities were wearing helmets.

#### Possibilities

- Develop an Action Team to develop recommendations for enhancements/additions to driver training/testing curriculum.
- Develop an Action Team or White Paper that explores possible eBike regulations such as endorsements, manufacturer restrictions, and education programs (including programs targeting older eBike users and eBike users with no bicycle riding experience)
- Consider policy approaches for addressing the physical control statute ambiguity and increasing vehicular homicide/assault penalties when the charge involves vulnerable road users.
- Research emerging signal timing counter measures that address the increase in red light running.
- Consider looking at increasing penalties for VHom + DUI for vulnerable users, like we have for other situations

# 6) Strategic Planning – Topics for 2024:

The ATSC reviewed potential topics for study teams in 2024. After discussion, the group identified these three areas:

- 1) Continue with the Human Factors study team
- 2) Land Use, with a focus on multimodal advocacy on the Transportation impact Analysis
- 3) Transit, with a focus on stops, routes, crossings, houselessness, services
  - Leads for each primary topic will develop a description of this study team focus and sent to Pat and Jessie
    - Land Use Chris Comeau
    - **Transit** Charlotte Claybrooke
    - Human Factors Amy Person

# 9) Closing

- Announcements:
  - Patricia Hughes finished her book: Creating Equity with Gracious Space
  - WADOT ATD recruiting for Active Transportation Communication lead, https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/wsdot/jobs/4209632/active -transportation-communications-lead-cc5
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  - Association of Recording on human factors, bicycle and pedestrian conspicuity research seminar: <u>https://vimeo.com/865601628/d938ca7cf7</u>
  - APBP Safety Summit over the first two weeks of Oct <u>https://www.apbp.org/2023-</u> <u>safety-summit</u>.
  - WTSC recruiting for 2x Program Specialist 3's and 1x administrative assistant for the communications division
  - $\circ$  Jessie leaving for maternity leave on November 6

# Attending Members:

In-person: Shelly Baldwin, Washington Traffic Safety Commission; Tony Gomez, King County; David Jones; Barb Chamberlain, Active Transportation Division-WSDOT; Harold Taniguchi, Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs; Charlotte Claybrooke, Active Transportation-WSDOT; David Jones, Jennifer Dieguez, Walt Bowen, Senior Citizen's Lobby; Amy Person, WA Dept of Health, Jennifer Dieguez, WA Department of Health

Online: Chris Comeau, TranspoGroup, Inc; Alex Alston, WA Bikes, Portia Shields, Yakama Nation; Jon Pascal, Kirkland City Council; Weston Perkins-Clark, EMT/Safe Kids Coordinator Clark and Cowlitz Counties, Tanisha Sepulveda, Empower Movement Washington

**WTSC Staff**: Jessie Knudsen, ATSC Program Manager; Michael Nepomuceno; Staci Hoff; Janine Koffel; Christina Freemont; Terry Ponton

Facilitator: Patricia Hughes, Trillium Leadership Consulting

**Attending Guests:** Online: Sara Wood, King County TZM; Eveline Roy, Alon Bassok, Ryan Packer, reporter for the Urbanist; Victoria Kovacs, City of Kirkland; Ryan Packer; Alon Basso