



***NASHVILLE DEPARTMENT of TRANSPORTATION
& MULTIMODAL INFRASTRUCTURE***

VISION ZERO ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes

August 12, 2025
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

**ITS Conference Room- Enterprise Room, Howard
Office Bldg 700 2nd Ave S, Nashville, TN 37210**

Committee Overview

This 15-member group serves to increase collaboration and ensures effective implementation of Nashville's Vision Zero plan. The committee meets in-person monthly and acts as a guide to assist NDOT and others in eliminating fatal and serious injury crashes in Nashville.

Notice to Public

Agendas are posted online before each meeting at

<https://www.nashville.gov/departments/transportation/plans-and-programs/vision-zero/advisory-committee>

Speaking to the Committee

Anyone can speak before the committee during a public hearing. An NDOT staff member presents each item, followed by public comment period, then committee discussion. Community members are asked to speak for two minutes each, at the discretion of the chair, and direct their comments to the committee.



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- 1) **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order by Chair Robinson at 5:10 pm
- 2) **Roll Call Present:** Lindsey Ganson, Peter Robison, Charles Weingartner, Dylan Ringel, Jeremiah Wooten, Ryan Renfro, Kim Ayers, Sam Warlick

Absent: Chris Bowe, Landon Clark, Robin Lovett-Owen, Stephanie Owens, Oliva Ranseen, Hannah Sasscer, Wesley Smith
- 3) **Approval of July Meeting Minutes** - Motion to approve July Meeting Minutes by Charles Weingartner, seconded by Chair Robinson, and the minutes were approved.
- 4) **Public Comments**
 - Marty Huff (with partner)- shared remarks honoring her late friend and law student colleague, Dot Dobbins.
- 5) **Fatal Crash Statistics Update- Val Martinez**
 - Key Updates:
 - 71 crashes since last meeting, including 2 fatalities (6 pedestrian-involved).
 - Mini-bike fatality on Main Street involving a semi-truck.
 - Ongoing coordination with MNPd and Homeless Services for affected areas.
 - 500 Main Street (Buena Vista Pike):
 - 10-year-old on mini bike collided with semi-truck.
 - Chair Robinson asked about design timeline.
 - Director Alarcon stated the project is funded through Choose How You Move with construction starting this fall. The initial construction was paused because the entire project from Downtown to Rivergate Mall will be funded.
 - Mr. Wooten expressed concern about public engagement.
 - Gallatin Pike South (1314 block):
 - 66 crashes; 3 fatalities (2 pedestrian-related).
 - Mrs. Ganson stated there's still a slip lane near this intersection and requested a speed assessment and for re-stripping to be considered stating this intersection has been the same for 10 years. She also mentioned TDOT's Pedestrian Road Safety Audit completed in 2021 to use as a reference.
 - Mr. Weingartner asked about how the Vision Zero HIN funding will be allocated now that Choose How You Move has passed and requested NDOT consider a quick build at this intersection.
 - Director Alarcon explained funding and construction on Gallatin will be split up in phases with an emphasis that real improvements take over 3 years to construct and NDOT is developing kinetic mapping that will provide in-depth data.
 - Mr. Weingartner stated expressed concern about staying informed on projects.
 - Mr. Wooten emphasized the importance of preventing roadway deaths.
 - Director Alarcon stated NDOT is exploring hiring additional staff.
 - 10th & MLK (near TSU):
 - 26 crashes in 3 years; 1 fatal.
 - Issues identified: sidewalk ADA compliance, right-turn-on-red risks, poor



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lighting.

- Options considered: corridor-wide “No Right Turn on Red” study, lighting upgrades, pedestrian safety enhancements.
- Mrs. Ganson discussed exploring right turn on red preventions.
- Director Alarcon discussed activated LPI’s to assist with leading pedestrian intervals.

6) Communications

- Deferred to September meeting.
- **Reports from Vision Zero Advisory Committee Members and Subcommittees**
 - (i) New Member Subcommittee
 - (ii) Outreach Subcommittee
 - Exploring tactical urbanism pilots (1–2 per year) at high-risk locations. Dylan Ringel to present on recent project next month.
 - Ms. Ayers discussed the committee focusing on 1 to 2 tactical urbanism projects per year.
 - Mr. Weingartner mentioned splitting up groups and having design and engineering.
 - (i) Planning and Engineering Subcommittee
 - Reviewed tactical urbanism efforts; concerns about scramble crossings needing better markings.
 - Mr. Renfo expressed excitement about Mr. Ringle’s tactical urbanism projects and how to implement a long term solution.
 - (ii) Fatal Crash Investigation Subcommittee
 - Absent members (Hannah, Olivia) provided crash location input in advance.
 - (iii) Strategic Planning Subcommittee
 - No updates this month.

7) NDOT/Vision Zero Budget- 30 minutes

- Director Alarcon provided budget update and NDOT’s capital fund budget.
- Mr. Wooten asked Director Alarcon about other opportunities to earn funding through fees and permitting.
- Val state hosting more traffic calming events and coordinating with MNPd.
- Chair Robinson expressed concern regarding funding for regular street projects versus vision zero projects.
- Director Alarcon mentioned hiring additional staff to implement low cost improvements on high injury network near school zones and that NDOT recently brought projects in house which resulted in significant savings.
- Chair Robinson was pleased with this process.
- Mr. Ringel requested information on data collection.



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- Chair Robinson state a preference for Vision Zero funding to go to engineering instead of education and engagement.
- Mr. Wooten expressed concern with having high funding for one project versus multiple projects.
- Chair Robinson stated he's excited to have additional funding to make the roads safer with Choose How You Move.
- Mr. Wooten requested more information on project list and funding emphasizing a need to focus on smaller projects.

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- Chair Robinson is excited to see more funding going towards safety improvements with Choose How You Move.
- Mr. Weingartner requested more tactical urbanism projects.

9) **Tactical Urbanism Update** - 15 minutes

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10) **New Discussion:**

- Subcommittees are next week.

11) **Adjournment**

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- Opportunity for committee members to bring up new items to be considered.
- Allocated Time: 5 minutes

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