



Stakeholder Working Group

MEETING #2 MINUTES

Date: Thursday, April 26 at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Mt. Pleasant Regional Library, 1133 Mathis Ferry Road, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Steering Committee Attendees

Name	Organization
Councilman Herb Sass	Charleston County Council
Councilman Dickie Schweers	Charleston County Council
Mayor Will Haynie	Town of Mt. Pleasant
Les Blankenship	Berkeley County
John Wright	AASC Historic Commission
Kathryn Basha	Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments
Jeff Scott	Charleston County School District
Chris Staubes	Mt. Pleasant Chamber of Commerce
Jason Crowley	Coastal Conservation League
Richard Habersham	Phillips Community
Jim Glennon	Mt. Pleasant Waterworks
Josh Johnson	SCDOT
Michael Black	SCDOT
Tim Henderson	SCDOT
Adam Payne	SCDOT

Project Team Attendees

Name	Organization
Cal Oyer	Charleston County
Steve Thigpen	Charleston County
Jim Armstrong	Charleston County
Brad Morrison	Town of Mount Pleasant
Michael Fulmer	SCDOT
Randy Williamson	HDR
Shannon Meder	HDR
Samantha Dubay	HDR
Cheryl Harleston	CHH Communications
Ed Givens	Fellowship Strategies

Below is a summary of the Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) Meeting #2 held on Thursday, April 26 at 2:00 p.m.

Welcome & Introductions

- Cal Oyer welcomed the group and introduced elected officials and project team members. Cal also welcomed new SWG members to the group including Richard Habersham (delegate) from the Phillips Community and Town of Mt. Pleasant Mayor Will Haynie.
- Town of Mt. Pleasant Mayor Will Haynie welcomed the group and referenced the upcoming widening of Park West Boulevard. Mayor Haynie also mentioned that he has been approached by several groups about the effect that the widening of Highway 41 will have on the Phillips Community.

Highway 41 Corridor Improvements Project Presentation

- Cal Oyer (Charleston County Project Manager), Randy Williamson (HDR Project Manager), and Shannon Meder (HDR Assistant Project Manager) led the group through a presentation explaining the alternatives evaluation process, environmental and traffic studies completed to date and their findings, range of alternatives that were evaluated, and the reasonable alternatives plus the no build option that are currently being evaluated.

SWG Questions & Project Team Action

- The group inquired about roadway typical sections including medians and turn lanes on a three lane or five lane sections.
- The conversation included intersections and encroachment on landowners and business owners including the right-of-way process.
- Councilman Schweers noted that the project team will need to do a lot of education to get public buy-in on the continuous flow intersection model for the Highway 41 at Highway 17 intersection, if it is the best option.
- Members inquired about new bridges along the route.
- Councilman Schweers commented that he preferred a bridge rail system that would allow the tidal marsh to be visible.
- Members stressed the importance of preserving the scenic route and character along Highway 41.
- The SWG asked about final costs for the project. The project team noted that there will be a detailed cost estimate completed as part of the alternatives analysis.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.