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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Date: October 24, 2023

Item Details

Presenter(s): Katie Schwing, Senior Planner - Long Range Transit

Department(s): Planning

Requested Motion

Possible motion to approve the draft GoApex Bus Stop Improvement Policy.

Approval Recommended?

Planning staff recommend adoption of the draft Policy.

The Transit Advisory Committee (TAC) considered the draft Policy at their October 11, 2023 meeting and unanimously recommended approval.

Item Details

This Policy would provide guidance on the qualification and prioritization of bus stops for improvements using Town funds. Please see Attachment 1.

The Policy defines Standard and Enhanced bus stop improvements. All GoApex bus stops would qualify for Standard bus stop improvements, which are listed as a GoApex bus stop sign, concrete or asphalt landing pad and amenity pad, adequate lighting, bench, and information boxes with route map and schedule. The Policy prioritizes bringing bus stops to a Standard level.

Bus stops would also undergo a review process to qualify and be prioritized for Enhanced bus stop improvements, which are listed as a covered shelter with seating, and bicycle racks. The Policy lists the qualification criteria and the considerations for prioritization.

Other types of improvements are listed as being warranted on a case-by-case basis. Further, the Policy allows for deviations based on certain circumstances.

The development of such a policy is considered a best practice for transit providers and was a factor in receiving a Wake Transit program funding match for bus stop improvements earlier this year. If approved, staff plan to complete the qualification and prioritization process and move forward with installation of initial improvements. It is anticipated that further improvements would be installed over time.

Attachments

- NB1-A1: Draft GoApex Bus Stop Improvement Policy
- NB1-A2: Transit Advisory Committee Report to Town Council - GoApex Bus Stop Improvement Policy

