

EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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MINUTES

BUILD Partners Meeting, January 24, 2019 at
8:00 a.m. in Eastgate's office, City Centre
One Building, 100 East Federal Street, Suite
1000, Youngstown.

Present:

Kedar Bhide, City of Youngstown
Sara Daugherty, Eastgate
Mike Hripko, YSU
Jim Kinnick, Eastgate
Dominic Marchionda, YSU (by phone)
Charlie Nelson, Nelson Development
Lisa Pompeo, Eastgate
Chad Root, ODOT District 4 (by phone)
Charles Shasho, City of Youngstown
Ken Sympson, Eastgate
Peter Voderburg, DriveOhio (by phone)

Welcome and Introductions

Jim Kinnick opened meeting and introductions were made by those in attendance. He then recapped the last meeting.

Project Status

Jim Kinnick reported that there has been no change or information on transferring the grant to FHWA, but the team continues to move forward. The RFQ is on ODOT's website, and Chad Root reminded the group that the RFQ currently meets all standards for an FHWA posting, if the grant stays with FTA, their requirements are more stringent and the RFQ may not apply in that case. Project design was discussed.

Project Management - Project Identity

Charlie Nelson and Mike Hripko will be meeting on project identity and will report back to the team. Jim Kinnick discussed having one more weekly Team meeting on Thursday, January 31st, and then the meetings will be held every two-three weeks moving forward until a consultant is chosen.

Subcommittee Reports

Autonomous Shuttles/DriveOhio Subcommittee – Vendor Day Discussion

Ken Sympson reported that Eastgate will call an Autonomous Shuttle/DriveOhio Subcommittee meeting in the next two weeks to further discuss hosting a Vendor Day. There was discussion from the group on when to have the event, and the cost to have a pilot shuttle, and the route for a possible pilot. The group decided they would task the Subcommittee to report back to the Team on moving forward with a Vendor Day.

Open Discussion

Mike Hripko reported that YSU has reached out for input on donations for an archway somewhere along the Fifth Avenue project area and were successful in getting a commitment for funding the archway. He suggested that the Streetscape Subcommittee should consider possible extras along the project area that might be funded by private donation.