

Ad Hoc 2030 Task Force
Feb. 15, 2022
Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Co-chairs Susan Jacobs and Chris Dickerson, Jeremy Rosner, Garrett Luciani, Teri Schatz, Assistant Administrative Officer Betsy Yagla and guests Laura Pirie of Pirie Associates and Jason Williams of SLR..

Link to video recording of the meeting:

Recording link:

<https://woodbridgect.webex.com/woodbridgect/lsr.php?RCID=7dde32536c9da23f0730b8db28a9fafb>

Ms. Jacobs called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

1. Ms. Pirie gave an overview of her proposal for the Town's business district, including creating a vision and character description, actionable items, creating a common frame of reference and sharing the vision at a community meeting and gathering feedback from the public.

Ms. Pirie's proposal would be funded through the Town budget – planning funding is currently in the 2022 budget and proposed for the 2023 budget as well.

Mr. Williams shared the SLR portion of the proposal which would be to research and gather information about property ownership and rights of way for potential sidewalks, gather feedback from the public at the Pirie-led meeting and then to propose sidewalk locations and designs along with cost estimates.

SLR's proposal would be funded through a Department of Transportation grant through the South Central Regional Council of Governments.

Ms. Yagla explained that there are several opportunities to fund the items identified in the proposed plans. The Town has American Rescue Plan Act funding that can be spent on improvements to the business district among other things to be determined by the Board of Selectmen; there will be federal Infrastructure Bill dollars passed through to the State Department of Transportation for road and sidewalk improvements/additions and there will be \$5 billion over 5 years in competitive federal funding specifically for bike and pedestrian improvements.

Ms. Schatz made a motion to refer the proposals to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Rosner seconded. All in favor; the motion passed unanimously.

2. Mr. Dickerson made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Jacobs seconded. All in favor; the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.