



## Highlights | November 7, 2018

### Topic: Changing Role of Streets

**Task Force Attendees:** Scott Berman, David Cohen, Tammy Leigh Dement, Paul Glover, Francis Harwell, Straso Javoninski, Bill Matulewicz, Keith Monahan, Mary Margaret Monser, Sari Steuber, and James Walsh

**Additional Attendees:** Mark F., H.B., Nick Cvetkonic, Jason Trenchard, Michael Taylor, R. Lev, Bill Comer, Melissa Robbins, Juanda Myles, Andrew Besold, Kimberly Bezak, William Bezak, Valeria Brown, B. Riley, Ramond Joseph, Lynn Robinson, Shoshana Akins (Staff), Alison Hastings (Staff)

#### Welcome and Meeting Overview

Frances Harwell, RTC representative for the PPTF, opened the meeting by welcoming attendees and giving an overview of the meeting's purpose: to have a discussion about the changing role of streets and the unique demands and uses these facilities now face. Shoshana Akins then gave a brief overview of the agenda.

#### Presentations

##### **Sari Steuber...** *Media Open Streets + PPTF Member*

Sari Steuber gave a background on Media Open Streets, an initiative started by the municipality to bring new activities to their downtown's streets. Sari described the successes, difficulties, and plans for next year in her presentation.

##### **Justin Dula...** *Delaware County Planning Commission + Delaware Valley Smart Growth Alliance*

Justina Dula presented on the mission of the Delaware Valley Smart Growth Alliance, which is an advocacy organization dedicated to making the case for Smart Growth in Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, and Delaware. Justin shared his experience with advocating for smart growth within the non-profit as well as developing projects at DCPC.



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### **Mike Ruane...** *Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission*

Mike Ruane presented on DVRPC's freight activities, providing a background on the issues within freight, the data that can be used to understand these issues, and best practices around the region.

### **Q&A and Facilitated Panel Discussion**

#### **Shoshana Akins...** *All attendees participated*

Attendees asked questions to the speakers and had a facilitated discussion about the changing role of streets.

### **Member Discussion and Networking**

Many attendees stayed after to network and gather additional DVRPC reports and resources.

### **Committee Business and Upcoming Outreach, Events, and News**

Shoshana Akins announced that the next Task Force meeting will be December 13, 2018.