**Active Mobility Commission Minutes**
**October 20, 2026**

## I. Call to Order

Julie White called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

## II. Quorum

Members Present: Jeremy Claeys, Julie White, Kristie Bergna, Karen Neal, Janice Rausch, Eddie Aaronson
Staff Present: Jennifer Tipton

## III. Public Comment

a. No public comment during this time.

## IV. Agenda - review and modify

The agenda was modified to add Downtown Accessibility to Old Business and was adopted by consensus.

## V. Adoption of Minutes

The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed and adopted by consensus.

## VI. Old Business

**a. Continuation of Conversation Around Walking Trail**

Julie confirmed Tyson path can connect to Blue Ridge Road, and based on previous approval believes the Tysons will be open to this use. Eddie spoke to Mike Murphy at First Christian Church and will be presenting to the church board and property committee at the next meetings. Janice, Julie, and Eddie will meet to walk the area behind the church to come up with possible paths to present. The Duke power lines require 25 feet from anchor cables, meaning the path will have to go further onto church property rather than a straight path along the creek. Jeremy talked to Barbara Miller, Meadow View Estates owner, she was very unsure and will need more flushed out information from the town before being willing to proceed. Jeremy will update the map with options based on Tyson findings and church options. Janice will work with the Cheshire Foundation to discuss funding possibilities.

**b. Downtown Accessibility**

Janice discussed the issues with navigation with business signage located on sidewalks. Jennifer confirmed that the businesses do have rules about not blocking sidewalks, however enforcement is an issue. The commission requested that Russell Cate reach out to the businesses with a friendly reminder about sign usage on sidewalks.

## VII. New Business

### a. Updates from Town

Veteran's Park Bridge: Construction slated for 2028, more details to come.
Flat Creek Greenway: Working concurrently with flood mitigation project.
EB5547: No updates, project same as September updates.
I40 Crosswalks: No updates from NCDOT, Jennifer to follow up.

## VIII. Discussion

## IX. Adjournment

Julie White adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm