

# 10/9/2024 BPC Notes

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 9:00 AM

**Meeting Summary:** RFATS consultant Bolton & Menk presented the RFAT Bike/Ped Plan Update deck to the group including the process, timeline, and information, and solicited feedback on the goals, vision, and regional bike/ped network. The group brainstormed on the goals (with strong focus on safe connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists and considering intermodal connections and e-bikes, as well as GPS and a GIS overlay). Suggestions for improving the planning process include more visibility into transportation policymaking and funding allocation (hybrid, publicly posted meetings). Followups include BPC members and network asked to take and share the public survey, providing feedback on the map, recommended policy actions, and criteria. Municipalities are asked to share GIS data related to planned and existing walk/bike infrastructure, and comment on map to ensure your jurisdiction is correct, if you haven't already.

## Attendees:

**Liz Duda**, Tega Cay  
Healthy Kids

**Chad Andrews**, Rock Hill (RH) Bicycle Club, cyclist and athlete coaching and consulting (in RH, FM & CLT)

**Candice Barber**, SC DSS

**Chris St. Clair**, RH resident, pleasure & leisure cyclist

**Luther Dasher**, RH resident, RFATS Citizen Advisory Council (CAC)

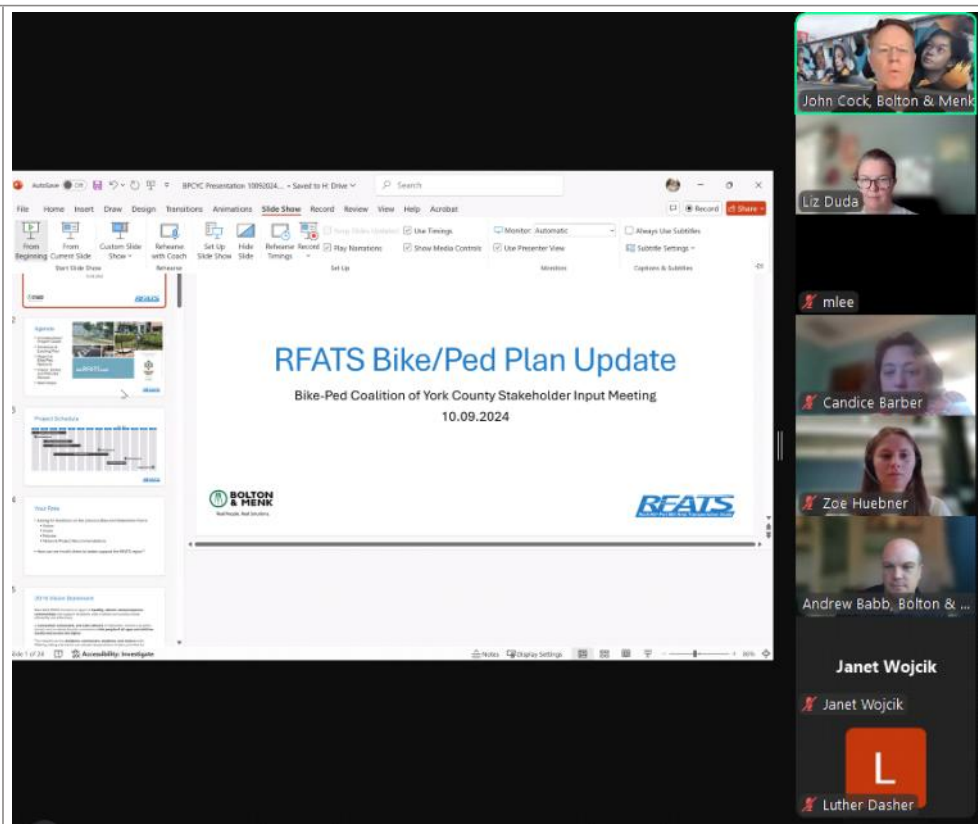
**Randy Deas**, downtown RH resident

**Dr. David Keely**, RFATS CAC

**Maddie Lee**, City of TC, Planning

**Stevie Micheli**, SC DHEC

**Steve Yaffe**, transit consultant, Charlotte Regional Transportation Committee, Sustain Charlotte



## Guest speakers -

### Bolton & Menk:

Zoe Huebner  
John Cock  
Andrew Babb

## Followups:

- Please take and share the Public Survey.
- Give feedback on
  - Map
  - Recommended Policy Actions
  - Criteria
  - Consider if these are the right ideas, drop pins/make comments on needs; and "like" and respond to other people's comments, helping to prioritize.
- Provide images to be shared in the report either by adding link in file, or emailing to Zoe.
- Put together BPC writeup.
  - Encourage our municipal partners to comment on the map
- Share Tega Cay weighting criteria
- Share FMHS Walkability study with Bolton & Menk.
- Municipalities asked to
  - share with Bolton & Menk your GIS data related to planned and existing walking/biking infrastructure (Town of FM already provided); and
  - comment on map to ensure jurisdiction is correct.

## Discussion Highlights

Luther Dasher & Janet Wojcik participated in 2016 RFATS Bike/Ped Plan Update

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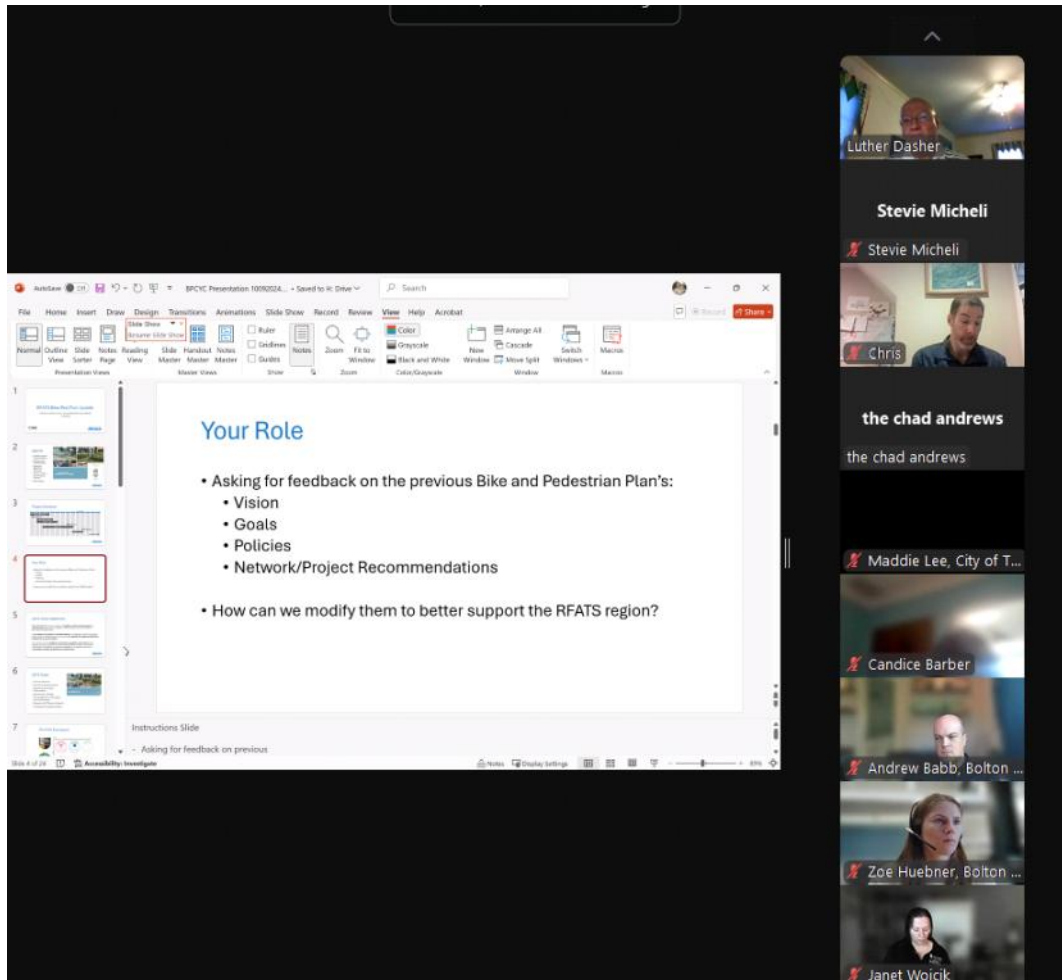
### Agenda

- Introductions/Project Goals
- Schedule & Existing Plan
- Regional Bike/Ped Network
- Vision, Goals, and Policies Review
- Next Steps

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On the right side of the screen, there is a vertical list of video thumbnails for participants: Liz Duda, mlee, Candice Barber, Zoe Huebner, Andrew Babb, Bolton, and another participant.

Goal draft plan this year/early 2025 to be incorporated into Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)



Discussed and brainstormed goals for the plan outcome:

- 1) Create a plan which policymakers can get consensus around to support walking, biking, rolling around and through York County safely
- 2) Enhance safety
- 3) Enhance connectivity
- 4) Improve intermodal connections (e.g., connections to bus stations (e.g., if to Gold Hill Road in Fort Mill))
- 5) Luther: Ensure safety and connectivity for bicycles
- 6) Maddie: connectivity
- 7) Connectivity to enable B2B access (employers to access different employers)
- 8) Chris St. Clair: connectivity
- 9) Chad: connectivity, to be able to bike everywhere in FM / RH rather than drive
- 10) Randy: connectivity and safety, GPS routes; consider e-bikes in planning
- 11) Steve: Create GIS overlay

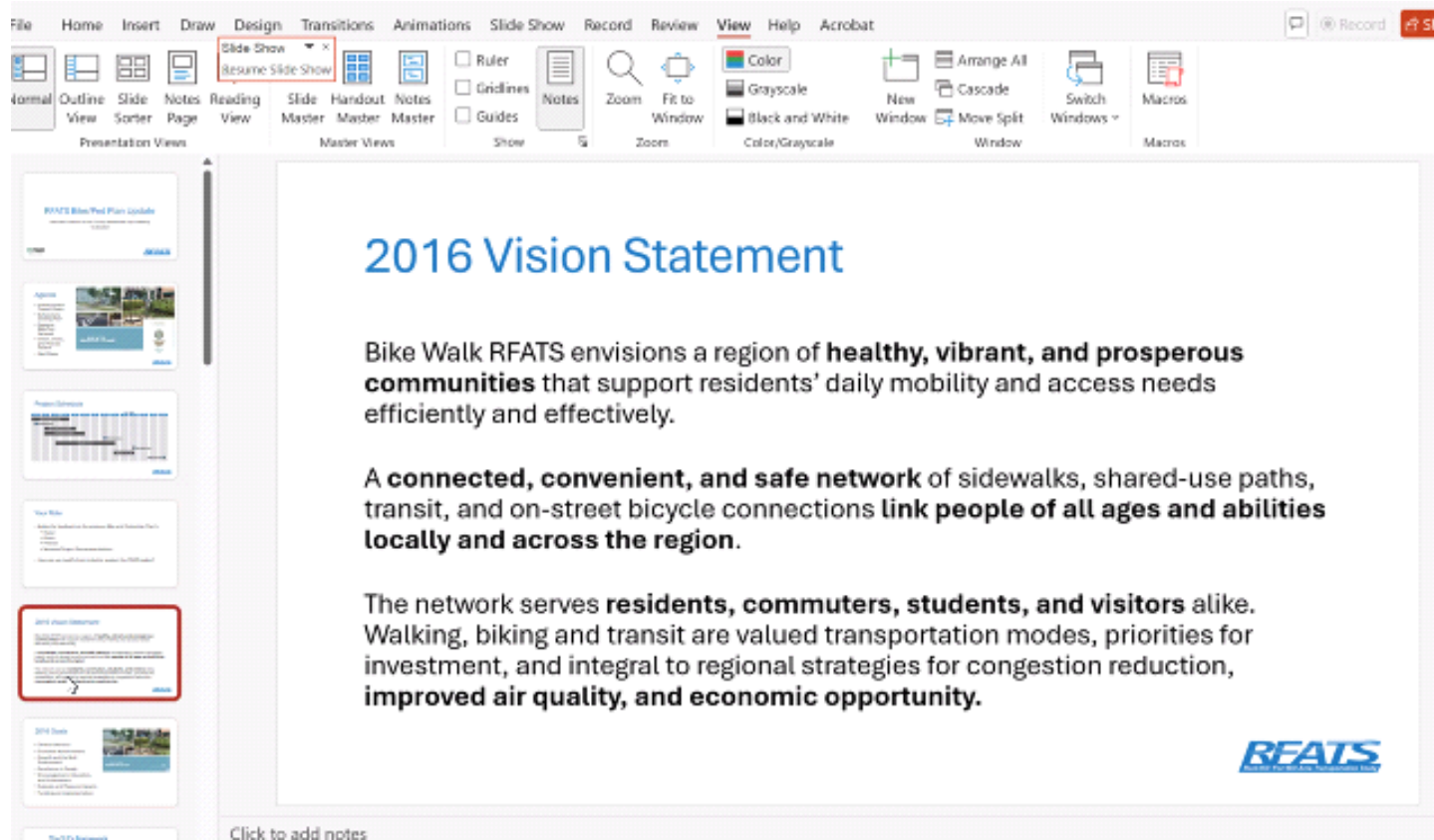
Will consider if there is policy agreement or disagreement; community needs vs. regional needs.

Opportunities to enhance our regional transportation processes:

- RFATS public outreach and visibility - grow visibility into RFATS' important policymaking, project updates, and decisionmaking.
  - Hold hybrid RFATS Policy Committee meetings and post recordings to Youtube and website
  - Look at social media opportunities like restoring Facebook page and leveraging members' social media pages
  - Continue press outreach (WRHI, The Herald)

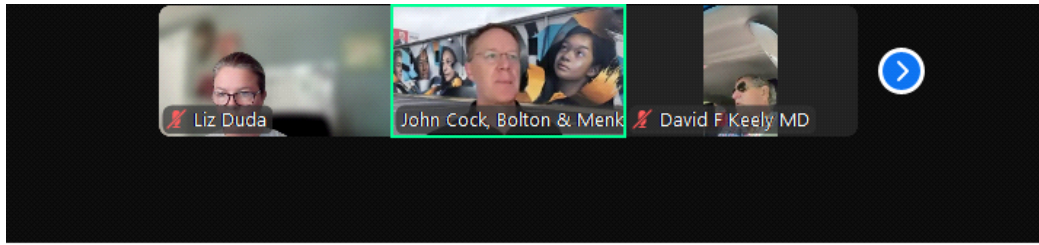
- RFATS staffing - fill the RFATS vacant position.
- Encourage SC to put funding back to SC Safe Routes to School.

They welcome our insights into the vision statement.
















Background: Hope to get to an update of the regional bicycle and pedestrian network (greenways); will not get to sidewalk detail in the city of RH or FM but will focus on big routes. Included recommendations for shoulders on rural routes. They consider the CTT a regional system. Includes crash data from 2020-2023. Are looking for other recommended data from previous plan from SCDOT. Existing projects not shown.

Are these the right ideas? Commenters are asked to drop pins/make comments on needs; can "like" and respond to other people's comments, helping prioritize; they welcome images (add link in file, or email to Zoe).



Participants (12)

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-  Liz Duda (Host, me)
-  John Cock, Bo... (Co-host, guest) 
-  Zoe Huebner, Bolt... (Co-host, guest)
-  the chad andrews (Guest)
-  Andrew Babb, Bolton & M... (Guest)
-  Candice Barber (Guest)
-  David F Keely MD (Guest)
-  Janet Wojcik (Guest)
-  Luther Dasher (Guest)
-  Maddie Lee, City of Tega C... (Guest)
-  Randy Deas (Guest)
-  Stevie Micheli (Guest)

## BPCYC 2020 Comments on LRTP

- Health – Wants community health to be considered in the Vision, Goals, and Objectives.
- Safety - Suggests enhancing goal #3, “**Provide, safe, secure, reliable mobility choices**”; include more robust performance measures with measurable targets
- Goal 2 Objective 1: “Make improvements **including facilities for \non-motorized alternatives** to fully utilize capacity on the existing road network before constructing new lanes or facilities”
- Commit to Vision Zero – Enhance 2045 LRTP Goal #1 Objective 3B to “Reduce crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists **to target zero traffic fatalities and severe injuries**”
- Include public safety considerations as a selection factor when ranking new location projects

