



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Safe Routes to School Implementation Committee

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board to receive an update on Safe Routes to School Implementation Committee activities.

DEPARTMENT: Planning

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INFORMATION: Eric Allman, Safe Routes to School Implementation Committee Chair, will provide the update.

The SRTS Implementation Committee was created subsequent to the adoption of the Town's Safe Routes to School Action Plan in 2012. The committee is described in Chapter 3 of the Town Code (<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/DocumentCenter/View/99>).

Section 3-24.10 outlines the specific duties and charges as follows. The Committee shall:

- recommend transportation projects, policies, programs, or activities that serve to increase the safety and convenience of walking and bicycling to school
- provide guidance and support for implementing the recommendations of the adopted Safe Routes to School Action Plan and evaluating implementation progress
- provide assistance with seeking project or program funding, including applying for grants, Safe Routes to School event planning, and data collection.

Language also reiterates the purpose of the Safe Routes to School program to focus efforts on elementary and middle schools, within Town limits. The detailed committee requirements include 13 members intended to provide a good cross section of students, school officials, and staff with health and transportation expertise. These include:

- a member of the Board of Aldermen appointed by the Board as a liaison member. One member of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education,
- one member of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools administration,
- one member of the administration, faculty, or staff of Carrboro Elementary School,
- one member of the administration, faculty, or staff of McDougale Elementary School
- one member of the administration, faculty, or staff of Morris Grove Elementary School
- one member of the Transportation Advisory Board
- one representative of the North Carolina Department of Transportation
- one parent of a student attending an elementary school in Carrboro
- one resident of the Town with a demonstrated background in public health, physical activity promotion, or active transportation

- one youth member enrolled in high school
- one youth member enrolled in middle school, and one youth member enrolled in elementary school.

The SRTS committee typically meets four times a year, but has had difficulty meeting quorum requirements for the last several meetings.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: N/A