

# Delaware Pedestrian Council

## Meeting #5



**DELAWARE**  
Pedestrian Council

January 23, 2025



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## Today's Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Previous Minutes
3. Public Comment
4. Review Fatal Pedestrian Crashes in Previous Quarter
5. Guest Speaker: Smart Growth America
6. Subcommittee Updates
7. Council Budget
8. Pedestrian Action Plan – Council Action Items
9. Agency Updates
10. Draft Annual Report
11. Discuss Next Meeting Date

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1. Roll Call
2. Approve Previous Minutes



## Roll Call

Please say here when your name is announced.

## 3. Public Comment



### Public Comment

Please limit comments to three minutes or less.

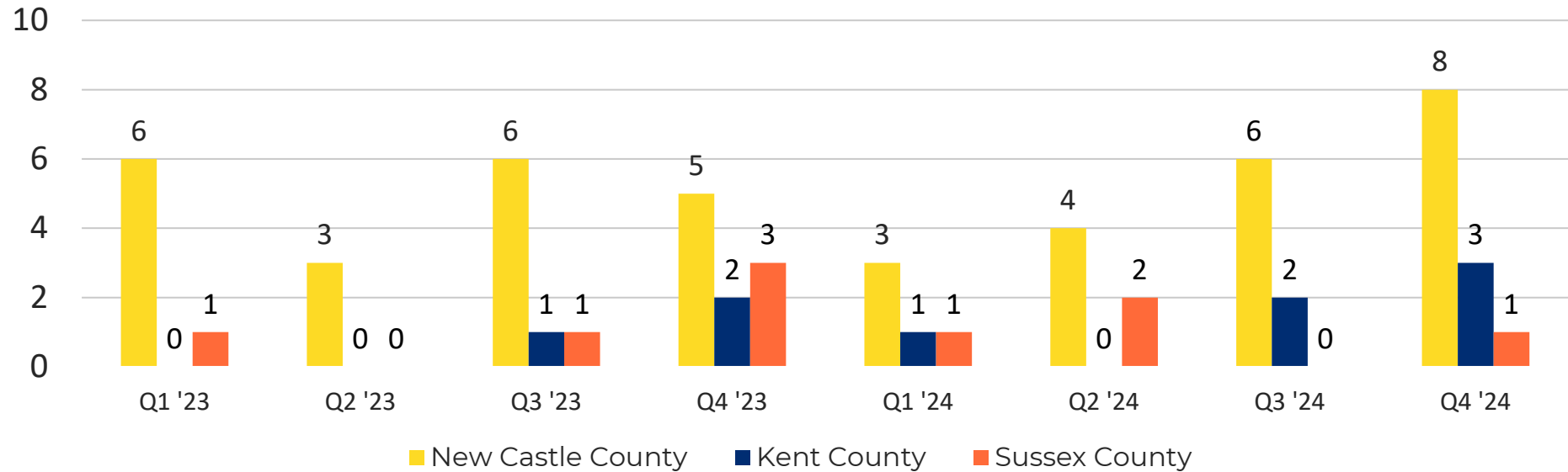
# 4. Fatal Pedestrian Crashes QTR 4 - 2024

## Fatal Pedestrian Crashes October – December 2024

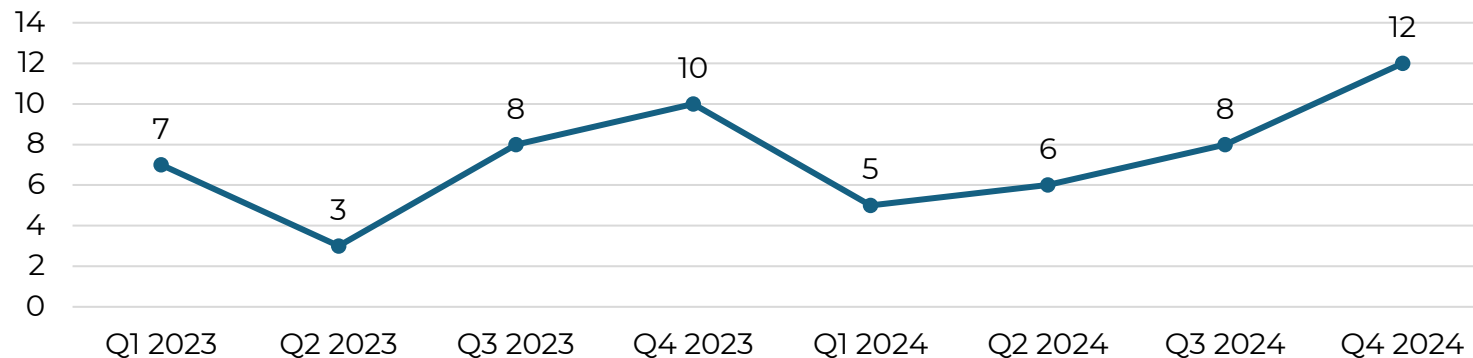
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10/04/24	Fri	6:49 PM	New Castle County	Corner Ketch Rd & Karrington Dr/Bristol Ln	Major Collector	1
10/11/24	Fri	5:48 AM	Kent County	US 13   S DuPont Blvd, north of Hickory Ridge Rd/Spring Meadow Dr	Minor Arterial	1
10/11/24	Fri	7:26 PM	New Castle County	SR 4   E Chestnut Hill Rd EB, east of Marrows Rd; Brookside	Other Principal Arterial	1
10/29/24	Tue	9:03 PM	New Castle County	I-95 NB, south of Airport Rd/Exit 5A	Interstate	1
11/06/24	Wed	8:48 PM	New Castle County	US 40   Pulaski Hwy WB, east of Wellington Dr/Church Rd	Other Principal Arterial	1
11/19/24	Tue	7:03 PM	Kent County	US 13   N DuPont Hwy NB, north of N State St/Leipsic Rd; Dover	Minor Arterial	1
12/05/24	Thu	5:31 PM	New Castle County	US 13   Governor Printz Blvd, west of E Lea Blvd; Wilmington	Minor Arterial	1
12/07/24	Sat	11:16 PM	New Castle County	US 13   US 40   N DuPont Hwy SB, north of SR 273   Christiana Rd/Frenchtown Rd	Other Principal Arterial	1
12/21/24	Sat	5:58 PM	Kent County	SR 10   S Caesar Rodney Ave & Peach St; Camden	Major Collector	1
12/24/24	Tue	7:28 PM	New Castle County	SR 92   Thompson Bridge Rd, east of Guyencourt Rd	Major Collector	1
12/25/24	Wed	3:38 AM	Sussex County	Cubbage Pond Rd, north of Spangler Dr	Local	1
12/27/24	Fri	2:13 PM	New Castle County	Wilton Blvd & Old Forge Rd	Major Collector	1

# 4. Fatal Pedestrian Crashes - QTR 4 of 2024

Quarterly Fatal Pedestrian Crashes by County (2023 - 2024)



Statewide Fatal Pedestrian Crashes (2023 - 2024)

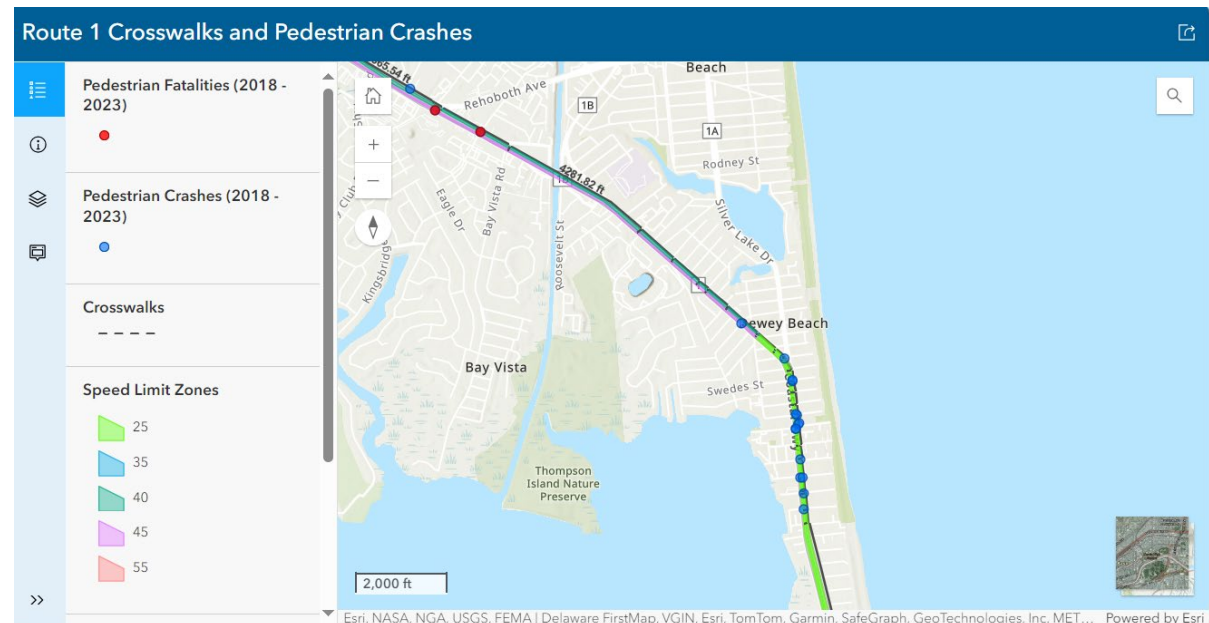


# 4. Fatal Pedestrian Crashes

## Route 1 Crosswalk Mapping

This web map is intended to depict Route 1 near Rehoboth Beach, Dewey Beach, Bethany Beach, and Fenwick Island to compare speed limits, distance between crosswalks, and rates of pedestrian crashes.

- Map is currently in progress and should be ready to share with Council at the following meeting in April.



# 5. Guest Speaker

## Smart Growth America

Smart Growth America is a nonprofit organization that promotes zoning reform and better development for healthier and more vibrant communities. As requested by the Pedestrian Council, a member of Smart Growth America is here to share their perspective.



Heidi Simon, Director of Thriving Communities at  
Smart Growth America



# 6. Guest Speaker – Smart Growth America

## Follow-Up Discussion Questions

- What do you think contributes to Delaware's high rate of pedestrian fatalities compared to other states?
- What places in Delaware would benefit from a quick build demonstration project?
- Where do you see successful places or projects in Delaware that are working for pedestrian safety that should be emulated? Or that we could study/visit as a Council?
- What do you want to communicate to the new General Assembly members or Governor's administration about pedestrian safety as they start a new session?

# 6. Subcommittee Updates

## Land Use Coordination Subcommittee

The Land Use Coordination Committee met on November 22.

Discussion items from recent meeting:

- Explored alternative zoning approaches, and land use policies
- Evaluated 'stroads' and driveway design
- Discussed logistics for consistent reoccurring meetings in 2025

Future items:

- Review and finalize subcommittee purpose and goals

# 6. Subcommittee Updates

## Pedestrian Safety Outreach and Education Subcommittee

The Pedestrian Safety Outreach and Education Committee is in need of a Chair to represent the subcommittee. The subcommittee currently has six confirmed members.

### Discussion Items:

- Meeting Logistics
- Draft Mission Statement
- Draft Goals

### Confirmed Members:

- Bill Payne (Citizen advocate)
- Brian Goff (Chesapeake Utilities)
- Chip Kneavel (DeIDOT)
- Maria Andaya (DeIDOT)
- Malasia Reid (DTC)
- Robin Martin (DeIDOT ADA Group)

# 7. Council Budget

## 2025 Budget

- Supplies \$20,100
- Travel \$1,000
- To be spent by June 15, 2025



## Budget Uses:

- Mileage reimbursement for meeting attendance.
- Trainings
- Expert Speaker
- Tours / Field Visits
- Pedestrian safety materials and supplies
- Other ideas from the group?

# 8. Pedestrian Action Plan Phase 2

## Pedestrian Council as Partners on Actions

- Action 1.3.1 - Consistent Administration of Policies, Standards, and Guidelines
- Action 1.4.1 - Improve Data Collection of Pedestrian Crashes and Monitor Trends
- Action 1.4.2 - Improve Tracking of Pedestrian Safety Counter Measures Success Rates
- Action 1.4.4 - Establish Statewide Pedestrian Count Program
- Action 2.1.3 – Support and Recommend Legislative Action
- Action 2.1.4 - Support the newly established Delaware Pedestrian Council by Providing Ongoing Technical Assistance
- Action 4.1.2 - Educate the Public on Pedestrian Benefits of Road Diets
- Action 4.2.1 - Increase Public Education on Pedestrian Safety and Awareness.



# 8. Pedestrian Action Plan Phase 2

## Pedestrian Council as Partners on Actions

### Action 1.3.1 - Consistent Administration of Policies, Standards, and Guidelines

- Review Complete Streets Policy Revision, Guide, and Checklist
- Review other policies, standards, or guides being updated by DelDOT

### Action 1.4.1 - Improve Data Collection of Pedestrian Crashes and Monitor Trends

- Once completed, the Council could use crash mapping to help advocate forward for new funding or process changes.

### Action 4.2.1 - Increase Public Education on Pedestrian Safety and Awareness.

- The Pedestrian Safety Outreach and Education Subcommittee could assist with this task once established.

# 8. Pedestrian Action Plan Phase 2

## Complete Streets Design Guide Review

### Action 1.3.1 - Consistent Administration of Policies, Standards, and Guidelines

- Review Complete Streets Policy Revision, Guide, and Checklist

We will be sending the Draft DelDOT Complete Streets Design Guide to the Pedestrian Council for review after today's meeting.

- Comments can be submitted to [Complete.Streets@Delaware.gov](mailto:Complete.Streets@Delaware.gov) or to Anthony Aglio at [Anthony.Aglio@Delaware.gov](mailto:Anthony.Aglio@Delaware.gov)
- Comments must be received by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

# 9. Agency Updates

## Updates from Council Members Representing Agencies

Round-robin updates from the following agencies.

- Department of Safety and Homeland Security
- State Council for Persons with Disabilities
- ADA Title II Coordinators
- DTC
- Department of Land Use and Planning for the City of Wilmington
- Department of Planning Services for Kent County
- Sussex County Planning & Zoning
- League of Local Governments

# 10. Draft Annual Report

## Annual Report

The Pedestrian Council is required to submit an annual report of the Council's activities and list of recommendations to the Governor, General Assembly, and the Director and the Librarian of the Division of Research of Legislative Council.



### **Vote to Approve Annual Report**

- The Draft 2024 Annual Report was shared with the Council by email prior to this meeting for review.
- Any comments or modifications?

# 11. Next Meeting Date

## Potential Dates for Upcoming Meetings:

### Second Meeting of 2025:

- 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Thursday, April 17

### Third Meeting of 2025:

- 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Thursday, July 17

### Fourth Meeting of 2025:

- 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Thursday, October 23



# Thank you!

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