

# FALL MEETING

**ABE30: Transportation Issues in  
Major Cities**

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# WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- **Executive Committee**
  - **Chair: Rina Cutler**
  - **TRB Liaison: Monica Starnes**
  - **Committee Coordinator: Ema Yamamoto**
  - **Communications Coordinator: Stephanie Dock**
  - **Research Coordinator: Wes Marshall**
  - **Paper Review Coordinators: Eric Sundquist, Christine Yager**
  - **Annual Meeting Organizers: Fred Dock, Aimee Jefferson, Jamie Parks**
  - **Strategic Plan/Vision Coordinators: Steve Buckley, Andrea d'Amato, Julia Salinas, Karina Ricks**

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# TRB REPORT

- **Annual Meeting – January 11 – 15, 2015**
  - **Location: Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC**
  - **Early Bird Rate Ends November 30<sup>th</sup>**
- **MyTRB.org**
  - **Sign-up online**
  - **Self-nominate as a friend of ABE30**

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SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# COMMUNICATIONS

- **Website Updates**
- **Blog Updates**
- **Logo Contest**



SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# STRATEGIC PLAN

- **Submitted Strategic Plan to TRB**
- **Will be providing updates to the Strategic Plan this year**

## SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# PAPER REVIEW

- **Number of Papers Received: 50**
  - **Accepted for Presentation: 28**
  - **Accepted for Revision and Review: 8**
- **Number of Reviews Completed: 219**

## SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# ANNUAL MEETING ORGANIZING

- **Workshop Sessions**
  - **The Art of Urban Street Performance Metrics**
    - Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 12pm
- **Paper/Podium Sessions**
  - **City Transportation Officials: First Year on the Job**
  - **Understanding the Gender Gap in Urban Biking**
  - **Livable Arterials: Urban Elixir or Oxymoron?**
- **Poster Sessions**
  - **Understanding the Gender Gap in Urban Biking – Poster Session**
  - **Transportation Issues and Solutions in Major Cities**
  - **Not Your Mother's Parking Meter: Parking in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

## SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# ANNUAL MEETING ORGANIZING

- **Co-Sponsored Sessions**

- **Workshop Sessions**

- The Urgent Need for Improved Pedestrian Infrastructure and Options: Issues, Solutions, and Gaps
- Funding and Financing Vital Corridors: A Workshop on the What, Why, How, and Who of Value Capture Methods

- **Podium/Paper Sessions**

- Goods Movement in Vibrant Urban Communities

- **Poster Sessions**

- Advanced Research and Practices in Urban Freight Transportation
- Urban Freight Parking Research: To Curb or Not to Curb

## SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

# RESEARCH

- **Current research needs statements:**

**Bringing Public Bike  
Share to All People**

**Transportation  
Resiliency in Major  
Cities**

**Bicycle Transportation  
Strategies**

**Comparative  
Investment Strategies  
in Cities**

**Expanding the Toolbox  
for Building Better City  
Streets**

**Summary of City and  
Metropolitan  
Transportation  
Infrastructure Needs**

**Major Cities'  
Adaptation to Global  
Climate Change**

**How Major Cities Can  
Optimize Demands on  
Public Street Space**

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# BRAINSTORMING FOR RESEARCH DIRECTION IN 2015

## **Critical Issues as Defined by the Strategic Plan**

- **Changing cities** – There are several key factors influencing the role of cities, including renewed growth in most urban cores, aging “baby boomers”, increased interest in active urban living, decreasing importance of automobiles for the Millennial generation, increasing demands for use of the public-right-of-way, and the influence of technology on when, where, why and how we travel.
- **Rethinking the use of the Public Right-of-Way** – Cities are now asked to rethink how we use the public right-of-way. Increasingly, cities are asked to accommodate a greater number of demands beyond simply automobile travel lanes, parking and sidewalks. This requires a cultural change within all levels of government.
- **Increasing grass-roots innovation and experimentation** - Cities are taking the initiative to advance new design standards, techniques and practices that are more sensitive to urban context and needs. For example, parklets, pilots, and “pop up” implementations to test new practices becoming more common in many cities.
- **Rapidly improving technology and a wealth of “big data”** - Technology and data are having a profound impact on the planning, operating, maintaining and communications of multi-modal travel in cities. Systems are emerging that are capable of collecting and analyzing data and providing information, in ways that were simply not possible in complex urban environments of the past.
- **Increasing opportunities for cities and regions to independently fund transportation investments** – With a trend toward reduced federal and state transportation funding, cities and regions are now taking control of their own fiscal futures. While cities often find it challenging to raise sufficient political support for such investments, increasing financial self-reliance can provide greater flexibility and opportunities for innovation.
- **Increasing need for cooperation among the federal DOT, state DOTs, municipal DOTs, transit agencies, and metropolitan planning organizations** - To continue to advance innovation, cities will need to be leaders in the creation of urban transportation agendas, while maintaining support from regional MPOs, and federal and state DOTs. Increasing collaboration and cooperation within and across agency borders will become increasingly important as new policies and implementation strategies are developed.



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# What to Expect from Your Federal Government

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2013

# A Structural Change to the Federal Budget

2023

57.4%  
mandatory  
spending

61.6%  
mandatory  
spending

6.3%  
interest

14.4%  
interest

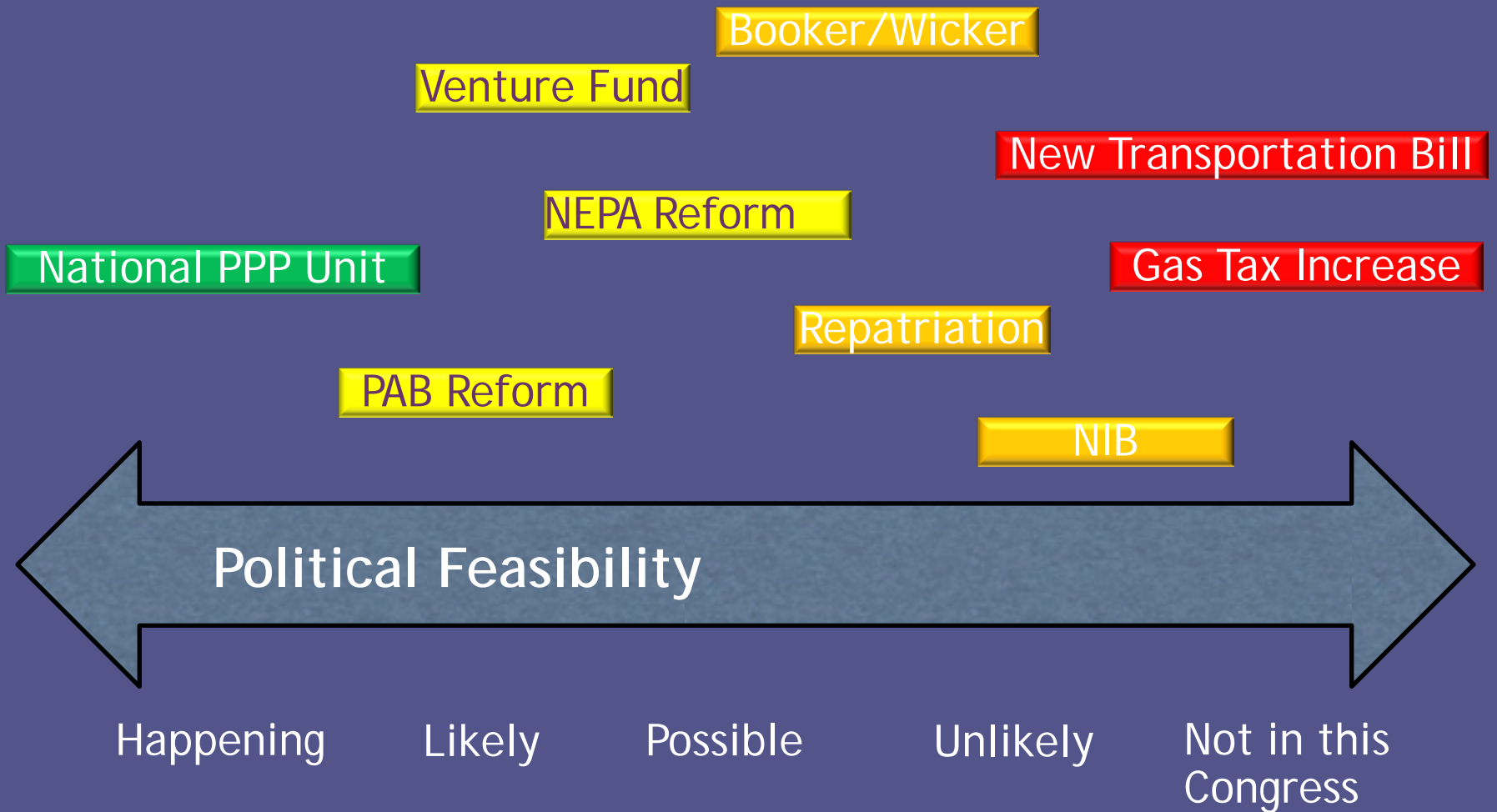
36.3%  
discretionary  
spending

INFRASTRUCTURE  
EDUCATION  
HOUSING

DEFENSE  
R&D

24.0%  
discretionary  
spending

# Prospects for New Federal Policies



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