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TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2010, REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Barnes, Bob Meyer, Dennis Stringer, John Tarro, Al Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Doug Kraemer, Teresa Ogle, Sgt. Tim Fletcher, Dean Thompson, George Sheats, Lee Giblin, William Bonewitz, Steve Gabor, Ruth Hennings, Jim Knaup, Derek Brownlee, Paul Katan

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m.
2. Al Williams made a motion to approve the July 1, 2010 minutes as written. Motion passed 5-0.
3. Public Input
Lee Giblin, with The Heights Church came before the committee to discuss traffic issues associated with their December 24th and 25th events. Neighbors of the Church have difficulty entering and exiting the area, so Mr. Giblin is proposing an alternate route to provide easy access to neighbors and emergency vehicles. They are proposing to put a gate at the end of Larry Caldwell Drive down by Highway 89 during the 2 day period, and hire an officer to monitor access and provide permits for residents. The temporary road would give residents a northbound exit onto Highway 89 north of the traffic signal. The committee recommended that Mr. Giblin contact the State traffic engineering at ADOT to make this request.

Bill Bonewitz asked about the status of the Council Traffic Calming Policy. The policy went to Council for comment, and will be discussed at the September 14, 2010 voting session.

4. Ped/Bike Master Plan update (Lisa Barnes)
 - a. Discussion – Lisa Barnes stated that now that the Bicycle Advisory Committee has been dissolved, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan should fall under TCC's jurisdiction. Members stated that they have not reviewed the plan since it was updated last year. It needs to be updated and taken to Council. Paul Katan stated that the current Council is keen on trails advocacy, mountain biking, and adventure tourism. In fact, Council gave \$20,000 for the Whiskey Off-Road, so he believes there is Council support. Paul stated concerns about being a bike friendly community to tourists coming to town who want to mountain bike from their hotel to the race. Lisa stated that counts for pedestrians and bicycles are needed. These counts could be conducted during current intersection turn movement counts. Steve Gaber said that they published a draft plan in July, 2009, and asked for guidance on how to proceed. The committee discussed whether time should be spent updating the document without an idea of whether Council is amenable to approving the plan.

- b. Committee Action/Recommendation – Al Williams made a motion that TCC direct the Traffic Engineer and the Public Works Director to assess the situation and provide direction on whether to continue with updating the document. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Traffic Logix August Traffic Calmer Speed Lump Article (Al Williams)
Al Williams discussed an article about “speed cushions” that are being used on collectors and arterials in Canada. Al suggested that staff get more information about the cost of the cushions, any liability issues, if they are being used anywhere in the United States, and how they are working for emergency vehicles.
6. Traffic Sergeant Enforcement Issues
Sgt. Fletcher reported that the Police Department is getting a new undercover vehicle at the end of the month. Citizen’s on Patrol continues to provide a presence and record speeds in problem areas. Sgt. Fletcher stated that changes have been made in enforcement around school zones – speeding fines have increased to about \$620 if children are present.
7. Chairman’s Report – None

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Bob Meyer, Chairman

Teresa Ogle, Minute Preparer