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PEDESTRIAN, BICYCLE & TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Pedestrian, Bicycle & Traffic Advisory Committee

Monday, August 12, 2019
9:30 a.m.

Public Works Conference Room
433 North Virginia Street
Prescott, Arizona 86301
(928)777-1130

Minute of the Pedestrian, Bicycle & Traffic Advisory Committee held **Monday, August 12, 2019,** in the **Public Works Conference Room,** located at **433 North Virginia Street.** Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431.02.

A. Call to Order – Bill Fanelli, Chairman

B. Roll Call

MEMBERS	
Bill Fanelli, Chairman	George Sheats, Vice-Chairman
David Fero	Sandra Smith - Absent
Jim Knaup	Sandy Stutey
Dennis Stringer - Absent	Mayor Pro Tem Orr

C. Approval of Minutes from July 29, 2019 Meeting

JIM KNAUP MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 29, 2019 MEETING; GEORGE SHEATS 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 5-0

D. Bike Education Opportunities – Joe Howard

Joe Howard discussed ways PBTAC can partner with PUSD to communicate bike safety and educational information. These included reaching out to Student Government and the mountain bike teams; and placing material on the school district's facebook page and each school's principal newsletter. Joe stated that he would be happy to bring ambassadors to a future PBTAC meeting or to get together with a PBTAC liaison. Sandra Stutey agreed to be the liaison to start working with the schools on overall safety concerns.

E. Upcoming Major Pedestrian Related Projects

Mayor Pro Tem Orr stated that a Council presentation is to be scheduled to discuss the pedestrian scramble, parking garage fees and the plans for the Whiskey Row Alley.

Mayor Pro Tem Orr also expressed concern about the effectiveness of the scramble only being tested at one intersection and not all four.

Sandra Stutey asked if the City has data to compare the effectiveness of the scramble, how it will determine that it works.

Ian Mattingly stated that Public Works is set up to implement the scramble at the intersection of Gurley and Montezuma as it was the location identified by Council as causing the vehicle backups on Montezuma due to conflicts between right turning vehicles and pedestrians. The goal of the test is to determine if this measure will reduce vehicle congestion on Montezuma. At the previous PBTAC meeting it was recommended to implement the pedestrian scramble test at one intersection sooner rather than later. To implement additional intersections will delay the test period.

F. Discussion of Striping and Traffic Control Modifications

1. Left Turn Lane Restriping on Willis at Granite

   Ian presented a striping layout for the intersection that will add a dedicated left turn pocket for westbound Willis at Granite. After discussion the committee recommended staff implement the change but also consider adding an eastbound left turn pocket if room allows. Staff will modify the layout and arrange for installation.

   BILL FANELLI MADE A MOTION TO RECOMMEND THE PROPOSED LEFT TURN POCKETS ON WILLIS AT GRANITE; GEORGE SHEATS 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 5-0

2. Crosswalk on Copper Basin Rd near Timber Ridge

   Ian presented a striping layout for a crosswalk on Copper Basin Rd near Timber Ridge subdivision that was requested by a resident through a Council Member. The location was determined to meet sight visibility requirements at the intersection and be in a location that can provide a convenient location for crossings by residents of the neighborhood, however several residents have expressed a desire not to have a crosswalk installed. The committee discussed notifying the Timber Ridge HOA of the request and asking that they provide input on the crosswalk prior to making any decision for installation.

   DAVID FERO MADE A MOTION TO RECOMMEND IAN MATTINGLY REACHOUT TO THE HOA FOR INPUT AND DIRECTION; BILL FANELLI 2ND MOTION; - PASSED 5-0

3. 4-Way Stop at Goodwin and Virginia

   Ian presented a request from a resident for installation of a 4-way stop at Goodwin and Virginia to help discourage cut through and speeding traffic. Ian stated that this traffic request will not meet a multi-way stop warrant nor meet the criteria needed to install other traffic calming solutions based on the City Traffic Calming Policy. The resident, Harry Cipriano spoke and stated that future cut through traffic is going to be a problem at Mt. Vernon and Oak so a 4-way stop on Virginia will deter the additional traffic. The committee recognized that the location will not

meet a warrant but felt that the 4-way stop would provide a safety benefit for pedestrians and help deter cut through traffic.

GEORGE SHEATS MADE A MOTION TO RECOMMEND A 4-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF GOODWIN AND VIRGINIA; BILL FANELLI 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 4-1, WITH DAVID FERO OPPOSED.

G. Safety Concerns from Members

George Sheets made a request that Bradshaw Dr. be considered for a future City construction project to add sidewalks and additional upgrades for pedestrian safety. This item will be added to the next meeting for further suggestions.

H. E-bike Discussion

Goerge Sheats stated that the State of Arizona has enacted laws for e-bike users. The law defines an e-bike as having a maximum speed of 20 mph (class 1 and 2) with operable pedals and states that the same rules of the road apply to e-bikes as human powered bikes. Arizona State Parks do not currently have an e-bike law for trails but federal lands consider e-bikes motorized vehicles and allow access to e-bikes on motorized trails. Recreation Services is considering allowing class 1 and 2 bikes on City trails.

GEORGE SHEATS MADE A MOTION TO SUPPORT RECREATION SERVICES RECOMMENDATION FOR CLASS 1 AND 2 E-BIKE USE ON TRAILS; SANDRA STUTEY 2ND, - PASSED 5-0

I. Report from CYMPO/ EMAC Meeting Regarding SR69 Widening Project

George Sheats attended the recent EMAC meeting and shared that ADOT has not included an ideal repair for the ADOT owned culvert that connects the Circle Trail under SR69 within the design of their widening project. Citizen JD Greenburg pleaded with the committee to help find the funding needed to rebuild the existing culvert to be a wildlife crossing, trail connection and equestrian route. George also mentioned that ADOT is at 90% plans and construction is slated to begin in 2021.

J. Current Road Project Updates

Safe Routes to School – Coronado is currently under construction.

K. Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is Monday August 26, 2019.

L. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Carey Oberheim, Administrative Assistant

Bill Fanelli, Chairman

Date: 9-9-2019