

**Minutes of the July 26, 2016 Transportation
Advisory Committee Meeting**

In Attendance: Councilwoman Mary Dunbar, Marc Lefkowitz, Sam Bell, Sgt. Robert Butler, Richard Wong, Gayle Lewin, Charlie Mosbrook, Jeff Bendix, Andre Spencer, Howard Maier, Jennifer Kuzma

Co-Chair Howard Maier called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 2016 MINUTES: Howard asked for action on the June 2016 minutes. Sam Bell asked to have the specifics about the Superior and Lee Roads red light changes added to the minutes. (Sam will send those comments to Jennifer to add.) Sam then agreed to approve the minutes which will be amended and Charlie seconded the motion. **All members present were in favor and the minutes were approved unanimously.**

MASTER PLAN UPDATE:

Howard reported on the July 14th Master Plan public hearing stating that a lot of good feedback was provided by residents to help prioritize areas within the draft policies. Howard stated that it was good for TAC to go through this document and those comments were sent to County Planning Commission staff working on the Plan. The on-line survey will be available through August 1 as another way for individuals to give their feedback who could not attend the meeting. Marc suggested that the Plan could include performance measures which could be quantified based on the Federal Highway Administration. After some discussion, the group decided to keep an eye on this area of the Master Plan as it moves forward.

NEW BUSINESS:

TAC members moved into a discussion on sidewalk snow removal. Andre reported that the City maintains 25-30 miles of major road sidewalks once snow reaches 2 inches deep and that secondary road sidewalks are the responsibility of the residents. They asked Jennifer to start work on a FAQ sheet to share with residents since there are many conflicting views on this issue. Sam suggested that the city award a Winter Walkability designation to streets who do maintain their sidewalks throughout the winter months that signs on that street could be a great way to promote and reward the residents' efforts.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion then moved to the Mayfield Road signalization update. With school beginning in August, TAC was concerned about the fate of the flashing light at Ardoon. Gayle suggested giving GPD the public comments received on this light so they could be considered as part of the 90 days flash period. Gayle also thanked the City for the improvements at the Monmouth/Lee, and Overlook/Coventry intersections. The entire group agree that removing the signals has helped tremendously. Discussion then moved into other areas of concern including Sam's thought that the timer at Cottage Grove and Cedar be replaced with a detector loop. Sam also suggested that during construction it would be helpful if maximum sensitivity be placed on the detectors in the signal boxes on Lee Road. Howard asked if maybe Kurt from Signs & Signals could give some explanation on this. Concern was also raised on the Coventry Fairmount intersection as Howard mentioned that traffic does not appear to know what to do. Andre stated he would report back on this. Marc thought that clarification on the traffic pattern could help.

Jennifer reported on the 2016 Safe Routes to School award. Funding was received to purchase the bike fleet and Jennifer and Councilwoman Dunbar will talk with the schools about how this will come together. The 2014 infrastructure award will be rebid in December 2016 for the 2017 construction season. These bids came back \$100K over ODOT engineers' estimates provided for the 2014 grant application.

Richard reported that the bike count NOACA will perform at Edgehill Road will be performed using NOACA's automated equipment.

NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT: Members agreed that the next meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee would Tuesday, August 23 at 7 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Approved: August 23, 2016

Minutes note: Bolded items are official action items approved by TAC.