

**Minutes of The  
City of Waterloo Complete Streets Advisory Committee Meeting  
July 21, 2020**

Meeting of the City of Waterloo Complete Streets Advisory Committee was called to order at 1:30pm July 21, 2020 by Vice-Chairperson Leseman. Due to the COVID-19 epidemic the meeting was held via the Zoom online meeting application.

Roll Call: Members present electronically: Felicia Cass, Paul Huting, Mohammad Elahi, Ray Feuss, Brian Schoon, Pat Morrissey, Wayne Castle, Codie Leseman, Jessica Rucker, Kevin Blanshan, and John Dornoff was present as the designated member for Aric Schroeder.

Members absent were: Janet Buls, Will Frost, Dan Trelka, Jeff Bales, Abraham Funchess, and Greg Young.

Other people attending: David Sturch – Met Transit.

Schroeder will add Sturch to the emailing list.

**It was moved by Morrissey, seconded by Rucker to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2020 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

**MPO Pedestrian Master Plan and Safe Routes to School**

- Instead of doing a detailed plan, will circle areas on the map that could use infill projects.
- Leseman went over the major points of the plan.
- Public hearings were last held back in 2017.
- At that time the public was invited to vote for their priority projects with top 20 being:
  1. East High School trail from MLK Jr. trail to Park Avenue bike lanes.
  2. Safe Routes to Highland Elementary
  3. Safe Routes to Cunningham School
  4. Safe Routes to Lincoln but changed to Cedar Bend, Longfellow, and Donald.
  5. North Side Sidewalk Connectivity
  6. Vinton Sidewalk Infill
  7. Sager and Huntington (Fred Becker and Central Middle School)
  8. Lafayette near Evansdale
  9. Independence from end of sidewalk near Expo School and the Bishop St. Trail
  10. S. Hackett Subdivision
  11. Exchange Park Neighborhood Connectivity
  12. East Ridgeway Sidewalk
  13. Hammond Avenue Easton to San Marnan
  14. Mitchell, Easton, Oregon and La Porte Road Sidewalks
  15. Park Avenue Complete Streets Improvements
  16. Downtown Curb Extensions
  17. Kimball Avenue Sidewalks from Mitchell to Park Road
  18. Progress Avenue & Loma Street Sidewalks
  19. East 4<sup>th</sup> Street Pedestrian Bridge
  20. West 4<sup>th</sup> Sidewalk from Sheridan to Ansborough
- Blanshan stated that he thought the list was a little backwards as the East 4<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge should be a priority project.

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- Discussion on how the committee should weigh in on the listed projects.
- All projects would cost \$25 million but that includes projects that are in Cedar Falls.
- Next step is to put the plan into words.
- Should the committee's recommendations be specific or should they just look at the general area.
- When it comes to Safe Routes to School Becker Elementary would be simple recommendations, George Washington Carver Academy would have more complicated recommendations especially considering the Iowa Northern Railway being located to the south, with Cunningham School of Excellence would have difficult recommendations.
- It is time to reevaluate the Safe Routes to School projects since it has been nearly a decade.

## **Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Review**

- Dornoff went over the Planning, Programming and Zoning Commission agenda.

## **Park and 11<sup>th</sup> Streets**

- Feasibility Study done.
- Work session next Monday about the project, which will include renderings, planning staff will need to send out the link to the work session to the committee.
- Would like to have Stanley at the next meeting or possibly have a special meeting.

## **Other Project Updates**

- The Franklin Street project has been put on hold possibly for several years.
- Shaulis Road Trail Extension
  - Met with HR Green
  - Bike Trail to start where existing trail ends, then cross Shaulis at the entrance to the theme park and proceed to the intersection of US 218/Shaulis/Hess Road.
  - Eventually will extend to Cedar Valley Nature Trail but there is many items to work out due to flooding in area.
- Ridgeway Avenue Study
  - Consultant has completed the study.
  - 1 recommendation includes an 8' trail with no right of way acquisitions.
  - Another would require 17 feet of right of way on the north side but include trail and sidewalk.
- Jefferson/Commercial
  - Work on street reconstruction is proceeding with streetscape work coming after the recon is done.
- Met Transit
  - MET does have funding for bus shelters.
  - However, will need to look at the bus changes to ensure shelters do not go where bus routes will change.

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**Other Discussion**

**None**

**Adjournment**

*Leseman adjourned the meeting at 3:12p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Dornoff".

John Dornoff  
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