

**Minutes of The  
City of Waterloo Complete Streets Advisory Committee  
October 14, 2014**

Meeting was called to order of the City of Waterloo Complete Streets Advisory Committee at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2014 by Chair Kevin Blanshan in the Mollenhoff Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall.

I. Roll Call:

Members present were: Pat Morrissey, David Jones, Jeff Bales, Kevin Blanshan, Aric Schroeder, Paul Huting, Wayne Castle, Brent Johnson, Brian Schoon.

Members absent were: Abraham Funchess, Will Frost, Dan Trekla, Janet Bules, Mohammad Elahi, & Felicia Cass.

Also present: Adrienne Miller- Planning & Zoning staff.

II. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held on August 5, 2014.

*It was moved by Morrissey, seconded by Huting to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2014 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

III. Agenda

**1. Updates ( University Avenue, U.S. 63, Kimball, Park Ave, ect.)**

Bales indicated that the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) is still reviewing the proposal submitted by the City of Waterloo for the transfer of University Avenue. Schroeder stated that there is no update on the proposal. Blanshan mentioned that the City of Cedar Falls was currently in Carmel, Indiana exploring roundabouts.

Bales indicated a connection of the shared use path on Highway 63 would need to be looked at in the near future. Currently the path ends at Franklin Street and the committee should start looking into connections to Park Avenue. Schroeder questioned if there has been discussions with the IDOT on cost sharing for the shared path for the Hwy 63 bridge. Bales indicated that there will be costs shared but there is not a definite number for how much at this point.

Bales indicated that both Kimball Avenue and Pheasant Lane road projects will be finished this construction season.

**2. 2015 Street Reconstruction List**

Castle indicated that survey work has been completed and designing will begin shortly. Hummingbird will be part of the 2015 reconstruction plan and there have been discussions regarding no sidewalks being on the south side between Bobolink and Mockingbird. There have also been discussions regarding sidewalk connections on Sarah Drive and Southtown Drive. Huting expressed concerns with additional sidewalks on Sarah Drive and also Southtown Drive due to additional costs to the city for maintenance including snow removal.

Castle indicated that Cottage Street is not high on the priority list due to there being sidewalks already in place. Easton between Wisconsin Street and La Porte Road did not get done for the 2014 season but would be added to the 2015 season with the extension from Wisconsin Street to Ohio Street. Blanshan indicated that Flower Street could be considered not a high priority due to no other sidewalks being in the neighborhood.

Blanshan questioned if Greenbrier would be considered a low priority. Morrissey indicated that residence in the area would like a connection to the bike path to the levee along the Cedar River. Castle indicated that the streets in that area will be reconstructed in 5 to 7 years and questioned if

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the residence would like to have sidewalks in their neighborhood. Jones mentioned a survey could be done on the neighborhood to see if they would like sidewalks or not and also ask about a possible connection of a bike path to the levee.

*It was moved by Castle, seconded by Morrissey to approve a letter be sent listing the Complete Streets Committee's recommendation on projects that should be considered high priority in the 2015 Street Reconstruction season. Those projects are as follows 1. Hummingbird Circle( including Sarah Drive) 2. Easton Avenue from La Porte Road to Wisconsin and 3. Further discuss the possibility of sidewalks in Greenbrier and also a bike path connection to the levee. Motion carried unanimously.*

### **3. Funding of Complete Streets and Council Work Session.**

Blanshan questioned what the Committee would like to see accomplished during a work session with the City Council and when would be a good time for this work session to take place. Castle indicated that November would be a good time to meet with the City Council due to departments beginning to put together budgets for the next year. Schroeder mentioned asking for a set amount of money be set aside for projects within the CIP otherwise two additional options will be for a local option or TIGER Grants.

Huting indicated that maintenance costs need to be addressed when discussing projects and funding. Blanshan questioned how much time would be sufficient for the Committee to meet with the Council. Morrissey indicated a half hour should allow for plenty of time. Blanshan mentioned November 17<sup>th</sup> would be a good date for the work session and himself along with Schoon would put together a powerpoint to be present to Council. Schroeder indicated that the powerpoint should show what the Committee would be focusing on and also address funding with the Council. Bales indicated it would be a good idea to include cost estimates for possible projects with the powerpoint. Blanchan indicated that the Committee should meet before the work session to go over the powerpoint. Next meeting date for the Complete Streets Committee will be Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 location to be determined.

#### IV. Discussion Items

##### **1. Other General Discussion Items**

N/A

#### V. Adjournment

*Blanshan adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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