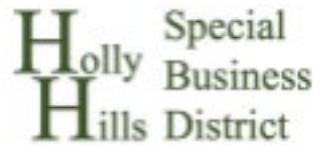


Notice is hereby given that the HHSBD Infrastructure Committee will conduct a meeting at 7pm at St. Stephen Protomartyr.



Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes

September 11 @ 7PM

Meeting opening (5 minutes)

- Ryan made a motion to start the meeting at 7:04pm. Alison seconded.
- Record member attendance – Alison, Linda, Meghan, Ryan, Loren, Joe, Colleen, Gary, Abby, Daniel, Brett, Mechelle
- Guests: Anne Schweitzer/Alderwoman, Eric Hellmer/Trailnet, Kayla Dunn/Friends of Carondelet Park
- Request edits / approval of August Infrastructure meeting minutes – approved/seconded

New Business (25 minutes)

1. Working group updates

Traffic calming to encourage safe driving through district streets

Eric Hellmer/Trailnet (TN) was present to give an update on TN plan.

Eric stated that the survey, studies, crash tests records, amenities, walk audit and visual assessments have been completed. There were 115 responses to the survey. The main arteries with issues are Holly Hills, Grand, Morganford and Bates. The vast majority of survey respondents are for closing the Carondelet Park gates to vehicular traffic at night.

Regarding speed studies conducted around the neighborhood:

The average speed is not a concern. However, about 15% of drivers go 10 miles per hour or more over the speed limit and this concerning. With speeds that high it is much more likely that a crash will cause serious injury. There is a list of 15 priority intersections that Eric will send to the group. Three of concern are:

1. Leona and Alma north bound -- 14.8% of drivers went 10 mph or more through this intersection.
2. Holly Hills east bound at Livingston -- 17% of drivers went 10 mph or more through this intersection.
3. Bates at Concordia cemetery -- 17% of drivers went 10 mph or more through this intersection.

CBB will put some ideas together on the 15 priority intersections. This will take about a month or so.

In November/December TN will go through the survey info and priority intersections at some type of community engagement event. Final plan should be done by March 2025.

The idea is to pick an “easy” problem spot and a difficult problem spot and we will go through the process with TN on ideas of traffic calming, etc.

Ryan asked if we should do speed studies in the park. We could borrow the speed guns and clock people on a Saturday in the park. We can collect this info on our own/not as part of the TN plan. Eric said it is

possible for us to borrow the speed guns.

Loren asked if we can add additional intersections to the list. We can add additional intersections. Eric reminded everyone that Grand Avenue issues are being addressed by the city so we may not want to spend any SBD funds on Grand.

CBB will give us ideas on what types of traffic calming will work at the various locations. TN will do a pop up demonstration in November or December at one of the major intersections.

Committee members mentioned using Woerner school for the public event.

Meghan mentioned that Bates and Leona need paving. Bates and Morganford need attention, crosswalks are needed. Somehow this all needs to be coordinate with any traffic calming efforts in these areas.

Carondelet Park gates

Not a lot of new information about the gates. The man from Illinois who drives his Miata under the park gate at Livingston continues to do so. Once he drives under the gate, he gets out and walks his dog. A new design feature is being considered for this issue.

Signage and visual cues to signal the Holly Hills Neighborhood

Discussion on rip rap project and other projects we may or may not do with the Beautification committee.

Rip rap project RFP must be redone because part of the project occurs over the SBD boundary and we cannot spend any money on projects past our boundary. Prior to the RFP being written, Kevin Trapp and Brooks Goedeker went to the site with Ryan Hanlon to look at the project. At the time, they all agreed on the project. The committee discussed why this project plan must be redone.

Anne Schweitzer explained how past projects are split between her ward funds and SBD funds so no SBD funds are spent outside the boundary. The committee decided that for all future project meetings, more than one committee member needs to be present to help prevent miscommunications.

The park gates were the first big project for the committee. The traffic calming plan is the second big project and will be completed by March. Once the committee has the plan, it can start prioritizing traffic calming projects according to need, cost, etc.

Some infrastructure committee members want to provide a portion of infrastructure funds for beautification projects that could also fall under infrastructure. Some committee members would rather save some of the committee funds for next year, so the committee has more funding for traffic calming projects.

The infrastructure and beautification committees are holding a joint meeting tomorrow to discuss.

2. Other

New topics not related directly to the working group projects (10 minutes)

Kayla Gunn presented information to the committee about the newly revived Friends of Carondelet Park organization. Anne Schweitzer is on the board of directors for this organization as well as Ryan Hanlon and many other community members.

\$1.2 million in ward capital is being used for the following park projects:

Boat House roof replacement

Fountain repair

Replacing the area of the playground that is for the younger kids

Replacing the drinking fountains at the pickleball courts

Kayla let the committee know that if there is anything the Friends of Carondelet Park can do related to traffic calming or other issue, to let them know.

The Friends of Carondelet meet the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the YMCA/Carondelet Rec Plex
Contact info:

Friendsofcarondeletpark@gmail.com

Public comment (10 minutes)

None

Overview of Action items & adjournment (5 minutes)

Ryan made a motion to adjourn 8:11pm.

Seconded by Daniel.