



City Council Transportation Committee

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

5:30 pm or Immediately Following Agenda Session

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Members: Matthew Petty, Chairperson; Sarah Bunch; Sonia Gutierrez; Holly Hertzberg

City Staff: Chris Brown, City Engineer; Terry Gulley, Transportation Director

Agenda:

1. Old Business:

- A. DOWNTOWN SQUARE LIGHTING:** Review of a proposal to supplement Parks Bond funding for lighting improvements to the downtown square. This funding is proposed to come from the Downtown Walkability project established in the Transportation Bond Program. This item was presented in December 2020, and the Committee requested additional design and renderings for consideration. Additional renderings attached.

2. New Business:

- A. ADM 2021-000028-MASTER STREET PLAN AMENDMENT ON OAKLAND ZION ROAD:** Review of a request from Kim Piepenbrok for an amendment to the Master Street plan removing a proposed realignment of Oakland Zion Road near Bridgewater Lane. Staff memo and exhibits attached. **(Staff requests a recommendation from the Committee to the City Council on this item.)**
- B. SPRING STREET LIGHTING:** Review of plans and cost estimate for lighting along Spring Street, between College Avenue and West Avenue. This is a transportation bond project to improve downtown walkability. The project includes acorn style lights that match Block Ave. along both sides of Spring Street with an alternating pattern. This work will also include an additional conduit for future communication needs. The project is ready to bid and the estimated cost is \$750,000. Lighting layout attached.
- C. RAZORBACK ROAD SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT:** Review of a proposed supplemental agreement with the Arkansas State Department of Transportation (ArDOT) for improvements to Razorback Road. Staff memo attached. **(Staff requests a recommendation from the Committee to the Administration on this item.)**
- D. SAIN STREET DESIGN REVISION:** Review of a proposed design revision on the Sain Street Extension Project, to add a roundabout at a future street connection and a

proposed entrance to an apartment development. Staff memo and exhibits attached.
(Staff requests a recommendation from the Committee to the Administration on this item.)

- E. HIGHWAY 71B PROGRAMMING DOCUMENT AND CONCEPTUAL PLANS:** Review of the draft programming document and conceptual plans for College Avenue (North St. to Township St.) and School Avenue (Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd to Cato Springs Road). Draft document and plans attached.
- F. MAPLE STREET BUILD GRANT:** Review of a contract amendment with Olsson for development of a federal Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant application for construction funding for the Maple Street Improvement Project. Olsson has provided a proposal of \$108,450 to prepare the BUILD grant application, which includes development of a cost-benefit analysis required for the application, as well as project graphics to help create a compelling application. The UA has proposed to pay 50% of this cost if the City will fund the remaining 50%.
- G. MISSION TRAIL REVIEW:** Review of conceptual plans for street and trail improvements along Mission Blvd from Viewpoint Drive southwest to Maple Street. The focus of the project is to extend an existing half-mile section of shared-use paved trail segment and tie in the trail along Old Wire Rd. and provide a safe and comfortable route for walking and biking. The trail is planned along the east side of Mission Blvd. in front of Root Elementary School and extending past Old Wire Rd. and North Street. South of North Street, the trail is planned on the west side of Mission Blvd. ending at Maple Street to connect to the historic district and to downtown. A roundabout at North St. and Mission Blvd. will provide improvement vehicular traffic flow and will reduce the need to add traffic lanes to Mission Blvd. to handle traffic at the intersection. Conceptual plans are attached.
- H. MISSION TRAIL/RAZORBACK GREENWAY BIKEWAY CONNECTOR:** Review of plans for a bikeway connector between the Mission Trail and the Razorback Greenway. This project includes an improved on-street bikeway from Mission Blvd. along Rebecca Street to the existing signalized crossing of College, then along Trenton Blvd., Park Ave., and Prospect Street to provide safer and more comfortable access to Wilson Park and the Razorback Greenway. Conceptual plans are attached.

3. Reports:

- A.** Transportation Bond Program Update
- B.** Transportation Division Workplan Update
- C.** Bus Shelters/traffic calming update.

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