



Minutes

Prepared by Howard Crofoot, 09/12/2024

CSRC Attendees: Paul Malischke, Eileen McCartney, Tom Nall and Maureen Vorwald

CSRC Not Present: Robin Fatzinger, Danica Larson,

Staff Attendees: Howard Crofoot

Public Attendees: None

1. Call to Order at 6:05 pm by Eileen McCartney.
2. Approval of Minutes: July 15, 2024 CSRC: Motion to approve as amended by Paul, second by Tom. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Citizen Comments, Observations, & Petitions: There was a comment that the addition of Stop Bars for the side streets along College Drive and Main Street during the 2024 Highway Painting contract was a good improvement and hope this can continue in the future. There was a specific ask for Stop Bars for Elm and Cedar Street.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Follow Up on Bike & Pedestrian Plan.
 - b. Bike and Pedestrian Plan "Short Term" items:

C.15. Discourage the use of bicycles on sidewalks downtown. Add signs prohibiting riding on sidewalks from Chestnut to Water and from Furnace to Pine.

- Done, but please consider "softening" the message on the LED signs whenever there is an update.

C.16. Extend the downtown 15mph zone past the library to improve safety, particularly with the new bus stop

- Howard to present an Ordinance change request to the Common Council.

C.17. Add leading pedestrian intervals and walking countdowns at busy intersections with traffic signals. Consider making walk signs automatic (with the countdown) and implementing no right turn on red

- No additional discussion.

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C.22. Ensure that stoplights can be triggered by bicycles, particularly along bike routes.

- No additional discussion

C.23. Ensure that the length of walk signs is long enough for low mobility pedestrians.

- Done. It is part of the design procedure.

C.24. Develop a schedule for repainting crosswalks and seal coating trails and sidepaths. The years of previous and future painting and sealcoating should be maintained. City staff should continue annual repainting of crosswalks. Epoxy should be reapplied to highway crosswalks every five years or as funding allows.

- Howard said it is subject to Council budget decisions.

C.34. Explore the addition of crossing guard(s) near the middle school.

- There was confusion as to which intersection(s) this should be. There was discussion about the lack of funding due to School District budget.

C.35. Consider strategies to improve visibility at intersections, such as:

- a. Evaluate ways to enforce the city ordinance on vision clearance at intersections (22.09.a). This includes fences and landscaping.

- No additional discussion

- b. Remove parking stalls near crosswalks, particularly on roads surrounding UWP (Ullsvik Hall and intersection of Greenwood and Longhorn).

- c. No additional discussion Bike-Pedestrian crash history.

5. New Business:

2025 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Items under consideration include:

Street Reconstruction:

1. Camp Street: DOT Project from Elm to Lancaster.
Replace sidewalk on north side.



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2. Henry Street: DOT Project from Jewett to Camp. Discussion whether to replace the existing sidewalk. Should we eliminate sidewalk in favor of a future project to install on Court Street or keep sidewalk? No decision.
3. Seventh Avenue: City project from Camp to Ridge. Do we consider a sidewalk to connect sidewalk on Camp to Bike Lane (or possible future sidewalk) on Ridge? No decision. Ask for input from Danica.
4. Jefferson Street: City project from Cedar to Madison (if funding allows). It is in the plan to complete the sidewalk in the block that is currently without sidewalk.

Other items:

1. Southwest Road: Culvert extension, headwall construction and sidewalk installation from the current end of sidewalk to Pioneer Road. Discussion about why we cannot continue to Fox Ridge Subdivision.
 2. Trail Maintenance: Propose trail sealcoating for the Eastside Road Trail as funding allows. No PCA trail sealcoating this year – propose waiting 2 – 3 years before starting over. We can sealcoat trails every 10 years at a cost of about \$7,500/year in 2024 dollars. No discussion.
6. Adjourn at 6:45 pm, motion by Maureen, second by Eileen. Motion passed unanimously.