

**COMMON COUNCIL  
ROADS COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 2, 2019**

The City of Noblesville Roads Council Committee met pursuant to public notice on Friday, August 2, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. Christopher Jensen, Megan Wiles, Mark Boice, and Greg O'Connor were present. Roy Johnson participated by phone.

Also present were City Clerk Evelyn Lees, Assistant City Engineer Jim Hellmann, Street Commissioner Patty Johnson, Communications Manager Robert Herrington, Engineering Project Manager Andrew Rodewald, Senior Planner Denise Aschleman, and Michael Hendricks of American Structurepoint.

Mr. Hellmann stated the Engineering Department is looking forward to welcoming Alison Krupski as the new City Engineer beginning August 12, 2019.

1. Traffic Committee/Council items

a. Herriman Road Speed Study (Residential Area South of Greenfield Avenue)

The study indicated the speed limit could be increased from 25 to 35 miles per hour (mph), but the Police Department does not support the increase. The committee did not support the increase.

There was a discussion concerning heavy vehicle traffic. Currently posted signs are not enforceable. Signs prohibiting interstate trucking-class vehicles are enforceable. The committee supported the change.

b. 171<sup>st</sup> Street Speed Study (Between Mill Creek Road and Willowview Road)

The study indicated the speed limit could be increased from 35 to 40 mph. The Police Department supports the change. The committee did not support the change.

c. Intersection Analysis – Carrigan Road and North Harbour Drive/Oakbay Drive

The study did not reveal issues significant enough to warrant a change to the intersection.

d. School Zone Times

School zone signs and signals have been updated to reflect the change in school times. The City will work with the schools to improve communication.

2. Pleasant Street

Three offers for land acquisition are in process.

3. Midland Trace Trail Phase 3 – Willowview to Hague Road/SR32

- a. The proof roll is complete. Paving is expected to begin later this week, with concrete work to follow. Completion is expected by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

4. 2019 Street Rehabilitation

- a. Contract I: Bids were opened on April 9, 2019, and the contract was awarded to E&B Paving, Inc. on April 23, 2019 for \$1.86 million. The only remaining work is in northern Old Town and resurfacing Clover Road. The Clover Road work will be done at night. Work on Clover Road was delayed until after the Hamilton County 4-H Fair.
- b. Contract II: Community Crossing Grant applications were awarded for a total of \$920,715.00 of grant money. Bids were opened and a contract was awarded on April 23<sup>rd</sup> to Midwest Paving, LLC for \$1.87 million. All work is complete except for punch list items.
- c. Contract III will be bid later this year for a summer 2020 completion. Scheduling work for this year would add 15 to 20 percent to the cost due to market saturation.
- d. The City is still eligible for \$85,000.00 in Community Crossings grants, so an application was submitted for the second call. Awards will be announced in October.

5. Riverwalk Phase 4

The project and punch list are complete. Once the grass that was seeded grows, the project will be closed out.

6. Levee Trail

The bid was awarded to Calumet Civil Contractors. A July 1, 2019 completion date was set.

- a. The project is complete except for punch list items.
- b. This project included completion of the City's 100<sup>th</sup> mile of trails. A stamped design will be placed in the pavement as a commemoration. Once the stamp is completed, a ribbon cutting/100<sup>th</sup> mile ceremony will be scheduled.

There was a discussion about golf carts on trails, even though "No Motorized Vehicles" signs are posted. Mr. Hellmann noted the agreement with Citizens Energy for the Levee Trail specifically allows their maintenance vehicles. "No Unauthorized Motorized Vehicles" was suggested for the Levee Trail.

7. 19<sup>th</sup> and Pleasant Streets Roundabout (80% Federal Construction Funding)

Construction is complete. Damages are still owed, but warranty work met INDOT standards.

8. Greenfield Avenue and Howe Road Roundabout (80% Federal Construction Funding)

Construction is substantially complete.

9. Cumberland Road and Field Drive Roundabout (80% Federal Construction Funding)

- a. The roundabout opened to traffic on July 31.
- b. The roundabout will close again on Saturday and Sunday (August 3 and 4) to place the final surface and miscellaneous concrete.
- c. Minor work will continue while the intersection is open to traffic.
- d. School traffic is being monitored with the Police Department. The traffic flowed smoothly except during after school pickup. The new roundabout can easily handle the traffic volume, but cars were backed into the roadway and the roundabout due to insufficient or under-utilized queuing for student pickup on school property. The committee agreed the schools should be given the opportunity to resolve the issue.

10. Herriman Boulevard

- a. Near 141<sup>st</sup> Street: U-Haul south to Ed Martin Toyota (141<sup>st</sup> Street) is anticipated, but is developer driven.
  - i. An agreement with U-Haul was approved, but the City's bid was delayed because U-Haul did not perform their required work due to weather delays. A December re-bid is anticipated with spring 2020 construction.
- b. Summer 2020 – Bulk of work for SR37/146<sup>th</sup> Street (per Fishers schedule).
- c. Fall 2020 – Herriman from DAG/IDI to 146<sup>th</sup> (Dependent on SR37/146<sup>th</sup> Street).

11. SR37

- a. Drainage lines contract: the work is ongoing. Completion is not expected by November 2019 but should be complete before work on SR 37 is underway.
- b. 126<sup>th</sup> Street/SR37 bids were let in July 2019. A preconstruction meeting is set for August.
- c. 146<sup>th</sup> Street bids will be let in February 2020.

- d. 131<sup>st</sup> Street, 135<sup>th</sup> Street, and 141<sup>st</sup> Street are expected to be constructed in summer 2020. Firm dates are yet to be determined.

12. Olio Road from 141<sup>st</sup> to 146<sup>th</sup> Street, 146<sup>th</sup> Street from Bergen Boulevard to Olio Road

- a. A utility coordination meeting was held with Duke Energy. They require a six month lead time from the date right-of-way is secured. There was a follow up meeting with Duke regarding their existing easements and associated restrictions. The final issue is removal of a Contribution in Aid of Construction (CIAC) tax from the agreement amount. The City is tax exempt. Attorneys for the City and Duke will confer.
- b. Land Acquisition
  - i. Acquisition of one parcel is outstanding, but does not affect utility relocation.

13. Logan Street Pedestrian Bridge

Completion is scheduled for May 2020. The contractor will reopen SR 19 in December.

14. Federal Aid applications

A good portion of the scoring for the roadway portion is traffic related. Preliminary scoring of projects has begun for the November 2019 call for 2025 funding.

15. Greenfield Avenue Culvert over Lehr Ditch (west of Marilyn Road)

The preliminary design is complete. The hydraulic and environmental permitting is in process with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Construction is expected in 2020 due to utility relocation.

16. Thoroughfare Plan Update (Planning/Engineering)

The project is ongoing.

- a. MPO approved the City's application to increase four roadway segments to higher roadway classification levels: Olio Road, Summer Road, 166<sup>th</sup> Street, and Union Chapel Road.

17. South Allisonville Road Trail

Construction is set for 2022.

- a. Stage 1 plans for 30 percent design were submitted to INDOT.
- b. City Attorney Michael Howard is working on the legal process to formalize the apparent right-of-way for the road.

The committee requested a map of the project, since it is often confused with the Nickel Plate trail.

### 18. Road Impact Fee Study

Collection of traffic data and the existing condition analysis is complete. Analysis has confirmed that Level of Service D classification is appropriate.

Summary Table of Number of Intersections by Jurisdictional Agency

Existing Traffic on Existing Condition LOS Rating	Jurisdictional Agency				
	Noblesville	HCHD	INDOT	Westfield	Total
A or B	63	66	22	2	153
C	23	10	23	2	58
D		1	8		9
E			2		2
F			4		4
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>226</b>

Future Traffic on Existing Condition LOS	Noblesville
A or B	27
C	18
D	6
E	4
F	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>

**% Worse than D 0%**

**% Worse than D 41%**

Worst rating of AM and PM

Jurisdiction per if state highway, annexation, or Interlocal Agreement

6 of the "LOS D or Worse" intersection programmed in the next five years:

146<sup>th</sup>/SR37, SR32/SR38 Western Split, SR38/Boden, SR38/Oakmont/Whitcomb, 146<sup>th</sup>/Allisonville, SR37/186<sup>th</sup>

### 19. INDOT

- a. SR32 - Roundabouts at SR32/River Road and the SR32/38 split at Riverview Hospital. Agreements with INDOT have been approved by the City. Roundabouts at either end of the project will provide the equivalent of U-turns. The City's share of \$1.3 million will not be due until construction begins in 2021. Road Impact fees are expected to fund \$850,000.00 of the cost. Traffic restrictions during construction will be coordinated with Riverview Health.
- b. SR32/Mill Creek Road; SR38/Logan Street; SR38 at Oakmont/Whitcomb Ridge – Agreements with INDOT have been approved by the City with a 50-50 split of costs up to \$10.5 million. The City's share will not be due until construction begins in 2023.

- c. Signal Project - The project to replace Downtown signal poles with black poles has been moved to 2021. INDOT is agreeable to installing black decorative poles at the City's cost, with an extra one for maintenance purposes. Decorative poles were recommended by the Downtown District Committee. The City has received notice of the project through the NEPA process. There are 44 poles in the Downtown District. There has been a change to install two poles with two mast arms each at each intersection instead of four poles, which will cost considerably less. Ms. Wiles asked if the other Downtown intersections will have black signal poles installed at the same time as the INDOT poles. Mr. Rodewald replied the INDOT project will be completed first. He stated single-arm poles will continue to be used at the other intersections, and the current foundations will be re-used. Ms. Wiles asked that the Downtown District Committee be kept informed in order to budget for the installation costs.
- d. INDOT will improve the intersection of SR37 and 186<sup>th</sup> Street using Highway Safety Improvement Funds (HSIP) due to the number of accidents there. J-turn designs are planned, and lighting will be added.
- e. INDOT plans to replace the bridge deck overlay on Cyntheanne Road over I-69 in 2020. A short closure is expected, with a signed detour using 146<sup>th</sup> Street, SR13, and 136<sup>th</sup> Street. The project identifier is B-40532/DES #1700943.
- f. Roundabout at SR38 and Boden Road - Crossroads Engineers is working on a design. The Engineering Department has received a preliminary drawing.
- g. SR32 and SR38 Eastern Split – INDOT's traffic analysis did not warrant a speed reduction at this point, but they anticipate a need when the roundabout at SR38 and Boden Road is under construction. Speed reduction on SR32 on the west side of the City did reduce the number of accidents.
- h. INDOT is working on an engineer's assessment of SR32 on the west side leading to Westfield. Mr. Hellmann and Mr. Rodewald provided input for consideration of a roundabout corridor. The City provided to INDOT an exhibit of existing and programmed roundabouts already on SR32. INDOT's preliminary exhibit showed SR32 with a median, which could be grass if the City will commit to maintaining it. Planning is in the early preliminary stages, and funding has not yet been identified. INDOT plans for SR32 to be four lanes from River Road to US31.

Mr. O'Connor suggested an interchange at I-69 and Cyntheanne Road should be built. Mr. Jensen stated it could be in long term plans, but INDOT will most likely not program an interchange at that location unless a large economic development project is constructed nearby.

## 20. Development Items

There were no development items.

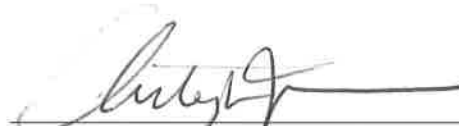
21. Carrigan Road Bridge over Morse Lake


The County Highway Department will replace the bridge decking and guardrail in 2021. A public meeting was held on June 19 at Noblesville West Middle School. The Fire Department attended a coordination meeting earlier the same day. There will be a full closure for 60 to 90 days during construction, which will aim to coincide with summer break. The Fire Department is working on a plan to provide service west of the bridge during the closure. The problem of the bottles underneath the bridge is under discussion, but there is no solution yet.

Other Business:

Mr. Boice stated he has received complaints that there is a blind intersection for the trail crossing the entrance to Edgewater at Carrigan Road. He stated there are concerns that bicyclists may be hit by drivers exiting Edgewater onto Carrigan Road because drivers could not see them.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

  
CHRISTOPHER JENSEN, COMMITTEE CHAIR

  
EVELYN L. LEES, CITY CLERK

