

**COMMON COUNCIL
ROADS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 6, 2020**

The City of Noblesville Roads Council Committee met pursuant to public notice in room A213 of City Hall on Friday, November 6, 2020 at 8:07 a.m. Brian Ayer, Mark Boice, Wil Hampton, and Greg O'Connor were present. Megan Wiles participated via Microsoft Teams.

Also present were City Clerk Evelyn Lees, Street Commissioner Patty Johnson, City Engineer Alison Krupski, Assistant City Engineer Jim Hellmann, Project Manager Andrew Rodewald, and Communications Manager Robert Herrington. Deputy Mayor Matt Light joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams at 8:20 a.m.

1. Council items/Traffic Committee
 - a. 146th Street lighting (Greg O'Connor)
 - i. There was no update. Construction has been moved to 2021, dependent on funding and participation from Hamilton County.
 - ii. Many comments from the public have been received. It is important to note that the existing lights will not all be replaced.
 - b. Little Chicago Road and State Road 38 Lighting (Greg O'Connor)
 - i. There was no update. INDOT is reviewing the lighting warrant and possible next steps.
 - c. Capital Projects Map
 - i. Mr. Rodewald displayed a draft of a map showing capital projects in the City that are programmed in the next five years. He stated he hopes to add County and State projects within the City limits. Ms. Krupski stated the map will be a resource for the public when it is complete.

Mr. O'Connor expressed concern about eastbound traffic congestion on Greenfield Avenue at SR37. The Engineering Department has petitioned INDOT to allow the right turn lane to also be a through lane, which should alleviate much of the problem. Mr. O'Connor expressed concern that fire engines at Station 73 are unable to exit onto Greenfield Avenue because of the traffic backup. He asked if stripes could be painted to create room for the engines. Mr. Hellmann observed there are stripes in Fishers at the fire station at 116th Street and Brooks School Road that are routinely ignored. Ms. Krupski asked for time to restripe the lanes at SR37 and evaluate the change before implementing other measures. She noted striping crews are struggling to complete work around the City. Ms. Johnson offered help from the Street Department.

2. Street Rehabilitation
 - a. 2020 Contract II
 - i. Bid opening was on March 13, 2020, and the project was awarded to Midwest Paving.
 - ii. Completion date is expected by October 15, 2020. The project is substantially complete.

- iii. Work areas included: Country Lake Estates, North Harbour, South Harbour, Oakbay, N. 9th Street, Monument Street, Southwest Quad, and Mensa Drive. The project was completed on August 15, 2020.
 - iv. Additional work was added to the project:
 - 1. Sidewalk replacement on 16th Street between Monument Street and Field Drive is complete.
 - 2. Railroad crossings on the west side of 8th Street from Division Street and south were removed by October 31. The railway stone will be graded and smoothed in early November.
 - b. 2020 Contract III — 2020-01 (Community Crossing Matching Grant)
 - i. Bid opening was on May 12, 2020, and the project was awarded to Harding Group.
 - ii. Completion date was expected by November 1, 2020.
 - iii. Areas to be covered are: Little Chicago Road from SR38 to Carrigan Road; Carrigan Road from Little Chicago to Mill Creek Road; portions of North Harbour; 146th Street from Olio Road to Atlantic Road; 141st Street from BorgWarner to Prairie Baptist Road; Prairie Baptist Road from 141st Street to 146th Street.
 - iv. The project is substantially complete.
3. Herriman Boulevard
 - a. Phase 3
 - i. Work south of 146th Street began in September and is ongoing. Construction is expected to be mostly complete in the fall of 2020.
 - ii. Work north of 146th Street is expected to begin after completion of the south portion.
 - iii. Traffic restrictions on Herriman Boulevard are expected to continue until 2021.
 - b. Phase 4
 - i. Construction is expected to take place in 2021, dependent on SR37/146th Street construction. The project is expected to be bid for summer 2021 construction.
 - ii. The scope is Herriman Boulevard from DAG/IDI to 146th Street.
4. Corporate Campus Infrastructure Improvement Project
 - a. The scope of the project is widening Olio Road from 141st to 146th Street, widening 146th Street from Bergen Boulevard to Olio Road, and constructing a roundabout at 146th Street and Olio Road.
 - b. Bids were opened on July 28, 2020. The contract was awarded to E&B Paving, Inc.
 - c. Construction:
 - i. Utility work, offsite drainage, and sanitary sewer construction
 - 1. The contractor is preparing to mobilize for fall 2020 construction.
 - 2. Utilities work is ongoing.

3. A City contractor mobilized to the site on November 4 to begin reconstruction of the legal drain. Work is expected to continue through the fall and winter.
 - ii. Road construction
 1. A 90-day closure of Olio Road is expected in spring of 2021.
 2. All roads will be open for traffic July 1 through September 1 of 2021. The City is working to accommodate the Music Center schedule.
 3. A 90-day closure of 146th Street is expected in fall of 2021.
 - iii. Substantial completion is expected by Thanksgiving 2021.
 - iv. Final completion is expected by spring of 2022.
5. Greenfield Avenue Culvert over Lehr Ditch, west of Marilyn Road
- a. Letting for bids was August 11, 2020.
 - b. Construction is expected to begin in spring of 2021.
 - i. Spring construction is likely because utility work was not completed on time due to mobilization for hurricanes.
 - ii. A 21-day road closure is expected and will be scheduled to minimize impact to the Music Center.
 - iii. Utility work is underway.
 - iv. The public is being informed that this is only culvert replacement and not construction of a roundabout. The culvert is sized for a future roundabout. A roundabout is on the Thoroughfare Plan, but has not been programmed yet.
6. Hamilton County Projects
- a. Carrigan Road Bridge over Morse Lake (County Bridge 98) (No Update)
 - i. Construction is expected to begin in spring 2021.
 - ii. Construction is expected to last 120 days.
 1. The roadway is expected to be closed for 90 days.
 2. The waterway will be closed only as needed for bridge demolition.
 - iii. A communication plan for affected residents is in progress.
 1. An article is planned for Morse Lake Living magazine, although the publication date is unknown at this time.
 2. Hamilton County will deliver letters to local businesses.
- Mr. Hampton asked for an update to be provided at the South Harbour Homeowners Association meeting in March 2021, since many residents travel in that direction.
- iv. A temporary fire station will be in place for the duration of the road closure, similar to what is being done for the pedestrian bridge construction along Carrigan Road.
- b. 146th Street and Hazel Dell Road (No Update)
 - c. Allisonville Road and 146th Street Roundabout
 - i. Construction will follow the SR37 and 146th Street interchange in 2023.

7. INDOT Projects

- a. SR37
 - i. 126th Street Interchange
 - 1. Incidental construction is ongoing, but the intersection is open.
 - ii. 146th Street Interchange
 - 1. Completion is expected by fall 2021.
 - iii. Bids will be let for 131st and 135th Streets in December 2020.
 - iv. Bids for 141st Street are scheduled for a November 2021 letting.
- b. SR32 - Roundabouts at SR32/River Road and the SR32/38 split
 - i. INDOT has scheduled bid letting for January 2021, but it may be delayed until all right-of-way has been acquired.
 - ii. Utility work is expected in 2021, with road construction in 2022 and 2023.
 - iii. A communication plan is being coordinated with INDOT.
- c. INDOT/Noblesville Roundabouts (50/50 cost share)
 - i. SR38 at Oakmont/Whitcomb Ridge: bids will be let on July 13, 2022 for construction in fall 2022.
 - ii. SR38/Logan Street: bids will be let on November 16, 2022 for construction in 2023.
 - iii. SR32/Mill Creek Road: bids will be let on November 16, 2022 for construction in 2023.
 - 1. There is a possibility construction will be delayed to better align with the SR32 project between Westfield and Noblesville.
 - iv. Preliminary engineering work has begun on all of the projects.
- d. SR32 Signal Project and Road Reconstruction
 - i. Signals will be replaced at SR19 and 8th, 9th, and 10th Streets.
 - ii. INDOT is agreeable to installing black decorative poles.
 - 1. The City must pay for the decorative poles, estimated at \$350,000.00.
 - 2. The City must keep an extra pole for maintenance purposes.
 - 3. INDOT's road reconstruction from 8th to 16th Streets will be merged with this project.
 - iii. Construction is scheduled for 2023.
 - 1. SR32 roundabouts at River Road and SR38 should be complete prior to the project.
 - 2. Road reconstruction and storm sewer work will necessitate full closure of SR32.
 - a. A preliminary meeting was held with INDOT and the project designer on August 31.
 - b. Intersection closures and Downtown area closures are being coordinated to minimize impact. It is hoped the Capital Projects Map will aid in routing detours.
- e. SR37 and 186th Street Reduced Conflict Intersection
 - i. Improvements will be funded using Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds.
 - ii. The intersection is planned as right in, right out, but will allow left turns from SR37 to Field Drive.

- iii. Construction is expected in 2022.
- f. SR38 and Boden Road Roundabout
 - i. The design phase is ongoing.
 - ii. Construction is expected in 2023 but could be in 2022.
- g. SR32
 - i. Project location is from just west of River Road to Westfield.
 - ii. The project scope will be four lanes with medians.
 - 1. The SR32/Mill Creek Road roundabout may be included as a part of this project.
 - iii. Noblesville would participate with \$2 million in funding for trail construction.
 - iv. A Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued and is due in December 2020.
 - v. Construction is anticipated in 2025 or 2026.

8. Federal Aid Projects

- a. MPO applications
 - i. There will be a call for projects in fall 2021.
 - ii. 2019 applications will be submitted, along with new projects.
- b. South Allisonville Road Trail
 - i. The project area includes Wellington Parkway to Christian Avenue/Greenfield Avenue.
 - ii. Preliminary design is ongoing.
 - iii. Letting will be in the fall of 2021.
 - iv. Construction is expected in 2022.
- c. Little Chicago Road Trail over Morse Lake
 - i. The project area includes Elderberry Road to Carrigan Road and across Morse Lake.
 - ii. This project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - 1. The County will rehabilitate and widen the vehicular bridge for the trail. The trail will be widened to eight feet, continuing an earlier project.
 - 2. There will not be a separate pedestrian structure.
 - iii. Letting will be in the fall of 2022.
 - iv. Construction is expected in 2023.
- d. Stony Creek Trail under SR37
 - i. The project area includes Clover Road to Mercantile Boulevard.
 - ii. This project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - iii. Letting will be in the fall of 2022.
 - iv. Construction is expected in 2023.

9. Pleasant Street

- a. Project phasing:
 - i. Phase 1: 10th Street to River Road.
 - ii. Phase 2: 10th Street to SR37 (not including the SR37 interchange).
 - iii. Phase 3: SR32/Hague Road intersection to River Road.

- b. Upcoming:
 - i. A second Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting will take place on Thursday, November 12 at 1:00 p.m.
 - ii. A second public information meeting is being planned for the first quarter of 2021.
 - iii. Letting for Phase 1 is planned for 2022. Letting for Phases 2 and 3 is planned for 2023.
- c. Internal meetings with City departments were very productive.
- d. The funding plan is in progress.

10. SR37 North

- a. Status: Surveying and traffic modeling is ongoing.
- b. Scope: SR37 from Greenfield Avenue to SR32.
- c. Funding will come from TIF.
- d. Report completion is expected by the end of 2021.

11. Boden Road

- a. Status: Design has been initiated.
- b. Scope:
 - i. Roundabout will be designed at 156th Street for 2022 construction. The goal is to complete the roundabout before Boden Road Elementary opens for the 2022-2023 school year, which is a very aggressive timeline.
 - ii. The rest of the corridor will have preliminary design to 40 percent.
 - iii. A roundabout will be designed at 166th Street, but there are no plans to improve 166th Street beyond the roundabout at this time.
 - iv. Outside funding opportunities are being sought.

12. Downtown District

- a. Lighting
 - i. Scope: Replacement of existing light poles with new, black streetlight poles.
 - ii. Status: The City project is complete.
 - iii. Ms. Wiles requested the street lights on the west side of the Judicial Center along the Riverwalk to be replaced with the City black decorative light poles. She has spoken with the County about cost sharing. Purchasing additional light poles is preferred. A project is being evaluated that would replace these lights and the seven lights on the Conner Street Bridge over White River. INDOT coordination has begun. The Riverwalk lights will be slightly different to fit the existing foundations, but the difference will not be noticeable to the public.
 - iv. Duke Energy lighting
 - 1. Conner Street from Lakeview Drive to SR37
 - a. Two agreements were approved by the Board of Public Works and Safety on June 23, 2020.
 - b. Construction has been delayed due to INDOT permitting.
 - 2. Logan Street from SR19 to Lakeview Drive

- a. An agreement with Duke is expected to be presented to the Board of Public Works and Safety for approval on September 15, 2020.
- b. Construction is expected to begin as soon as possible. The project timeline was swapped with the Conner Street project timeline.

b. Signals

- i. Scope: Replacement of existing signal poles with decorative poles on Logan Street at SR19 and 8th, 9th, and 10th Streets is planned. Three flashing signals may also be replaced with decorative poles.
- ii. Status: 60% design is underway.
- iii. Completion Date: Design should be complete by August 2020. Construction will be scheduled dependent on funding from the Downtown Development Fund.
- iv. Materials will be ordered this month to be included in the Downtown Improvement Project in 2021.

13. Traffic Committee

- a. The traffic code update is ongoing. Chapters 70 and 71 have been reviewed by staff and have been sent for legal review.
- b. Herriman Boulevard
 - i. There were speeding and truck traffic concerns.
 - ii. Additional stop signs were requested.
 - 1. Industry studies show that stop signs should not be used for traffic calming and give a false sense of security to pedestrians.
 - iii. Temporary “speed cushions” have been ordered. There were manufacturing delays due to COVID-19. Two sets will be shipped today, with installation expected next week. Delivery for the remainder of the order is yet to be determined.
 - 1. Speed cushions can be crossed at 20 to 25 miles per hour, as opposed to speed bumps.
 - 2. Gaps will be spaced at the wheel spacing of a fire engine so that they can straddle the speed cushion and not feel the vertical rise.
 - 3. There will be a total of five locations, and feedback is encouraged. These speed cushions will be the first of this type in the county.

14. Development Items

- a. Citizens Energy Water - North Feeder Main Phase II
 - i. The project is located along Little Chicago Road and within South Harbour.
 - ii. Citizens Energy Group has moved construction tentatively to June 2021.
 - iii. Engineering staff plans to meet with Citizens Energy Group in early 2021 to discuss the construction schedule.
 - iv. Engineering staff will provide updates to Mr. Hampton, Mr. Boice, and Mr. Davis on this project.

- v. The City and Citizens Energy Group are in agreement that good communication is critical for the success of this work. Citizens Energy Group noted the desire for meetings with Homeowners Associations and Mr. Hampton as the Council representative.
- vi. Mr. Hampton will inform the Engineering Department of the Homeowners Association meeting date, which will be in March.

15. Citywide Capital Improvement Plan

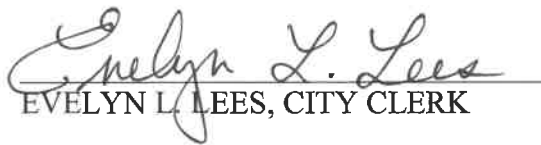
- a. The plan will be presented to the Finance Committee in December.

The next meeting will be on December 4, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.



BRIAN AYER, COMMITTEE CHAIR



EVELYN L. LEES, CITY CLERK