

**COMMON COUNCIL  
ROADS COMMITTEE  
MAY 7, 2021**

The City of Noblesville Roads Council Committee met pursuant to public notice in room A213 of City Hall on Friday, May 7, 2021 at 8:02 a.m. Wil Hampton, Mark Boice, Greg O'Connor, Darren Peterson, and Aaron Smith were present. Brian Ayer was absent.

Also present were City Clerk Evelyn Lees, Deputy Mayor Matt Light, Community and Economic Development Director Sarah Reed, Street Commissioner Patty Johnson, City Engineer Alison Krupski, Assistant City Engineer Jim Hellmann, Project Manager Andrew Rodewald, Communications Manager Robert Herrington, and Jack Martin of Keep Noblesville Beautiful.

Seating was limited due to COVID-19 restrictions. Pursuant to Governor Holcomb's executive order 20-09, a call-in telephone number was provided for interested citizens to listen to the meeting.

1. Committee to hear update from Keep Noblesville Beautiful
  - a. Mr. Peterson, president of Keep Noblesville Beautiful, presented a report on the organization's activities in the past year as a condition of a \$5,000.00 public purpose grant from the City for projects in each of the past two years. He listed the many landscaping and beautification projects the group has undertaken. He stated a sculpture was installed at the Midland Trace Trailhead will be donated to the Parks Foundation. He stated this afternoon the group will plant peonies and hydrangeas at the veterans memorial and clematis at Babyland at Riverside Cemetery. Mr. Martin spoke briefly on the group's trail program. Mr. Peterson stated because the group has been all volunteer, as their programs expand they hope to hire a part-time executive director.
2. Council items
  - a. 146<sup>th</sup> Street lighting
    - i. The project will move forward in 2021. Construction scheduling is pending a determination of a funding source.
    - ii. The cost is estimated at \$1.2 million, which includes removal of existing light poles and installation of new lights only where warranted.
    - iii. Discussions with the County regarding their participation are ongoing.
  - b. Little Chicago Road and State Road 38 Lighting
    - i. INDOT has concurred that lighting is warranted and is in the process of identifying funding. Their programming cycles suggest the project may not be completed for a few years.
3. Street Rehabilitation
  - a. 2020 Contract II
    - i. Work areas included: Country Lake Estates, North Harbour, South Harbour, Oakbay, N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Monument Street, Southwest Quad, and Mensa Drive.
    - ii. The project was completed on August 15, 2020.

- iii. Additional work was added to the project:
  - 1. Funds are available to complete Pebble Brook, which was an alternate bid that was not previously awarded.
  - 2. The construction schedule is yet to be determined but may begin in June.
- b. Community Crossing Matching Grant (CCMG) 2020-02 (2021 Contract I)
  - i. Notification was received that \$181,000.00 was awarded to complete resurfacing of the Kingsley subdivision.
  - ii. The project was awarded to Harding Group on February 23, 2021.
  - iii. Concrete work will begin on Wednesday, May 12. Asphalt work is scheduled to begin in late May or early June.
- c. 2021 Contract II
  - i. The contract was awarded to Midwest Paving on April 13.
  - ii. The base bid included:
    - 1. All of the Morse Overlook subdivision.
      - a. Concrete work is complete. Asphalt work is set to begin in mid-May.
    - 2. A portion of the Country Lake Estates subdivision.
      - a. Concrete work began on May 6.
    - 3. Old Town streets between Conner and Monument Streets, and 10<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> Streets.
      - a. This work will follow the other two projects.
  - iii. Alternate 1 included:
    - 1. Alleys will be included but will be split for funding purposes.
      - a. Work is expected to begin on Monday, May 10.
  - iv. Alternate 2 included:
    - 1. 156<sup>th</sup> Street between Gray Road and Hazel Dell Road. This alternate bid will be awarded.
      - a. Work is scheduled for late June or early July.
  - v. Alternate 3 included:
    - 1. Approximately half of the Whitcomb Ridge subdivision will be added to the contract by Change Order. The other half was included in the Community Crossings Matching Grant 2021-1 application.
  - vi. A list of roads to be included in the 2021 Street Rehabilitation program was emailed to the Council on April 2.
- d. CCMG 2021-1
  - i. Applications were submitted in January.
  - ii. \$313,973.49 was awarded for:
    - 1. Promise Road from 141<sup>st</sup> to 146<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - 2. Marilyn Road from 146<sup>th</sup> Street to Greenfield Avenue.
    - 3. 156<sup>th</sup> Street from Promise Road to Summer Road.
    - 4. Promise Road from Greenfield Avenue to 156<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - 5. 166<sup>th</sup> Street from Cumberland Road to Union Chapel Road.
  - iii. The bidding process will begin as soon as possible, with construction most likely in the fall.

- iv. The City is eligible for a total of \$1 million per year, so staff will submit applications for the balance of eligible grants at the call for applications later this year. Construction on projects awarded from the second call would take place in 2022.

4. Herriman Boulevard

- a. Phase 3 – part of the SR37/146 Street Project
  - i. Work south of 146<sup>th</sup> Street is ongoing. Construction is expected to be mostly complete by May 17. This is a Fishers, INDOT, and Hamilton County project.
  - ii. Work north of 146<sup>th</sup> Street is expected to begin after completion of the south portion. This is a Fishers, INDOT, and Hamilton County project.
    - 1. The City rejected a plan for full closure. Staff is working with the contractor to phase construction and possibly use night closures.
  - iii. Traffic restrictions on Herriman Boulevard are expected to continue through 2021.
- b. Phase 4 – City project
  - i. Construction is expected to take place in fall 2021, dependent on SR37/146<sup>th</sup> Street construction.
  - ii. The scope is Herriman Boulevard from DAG/IDI to 146<sup>th</sup> Street.

5. Corporate Campus Infrastructure Improvement Project

- a. The scope of the project is widening Olio Road from 141<sup>st</sup> to 146<sup>th</sup> Street, widening 146<sup>th</sup> Street from Bergen Boulevard to Olio Road, and constructing a roundabout at 146<sup>th</sup> 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. Utilities work is complete.
  - ii. Road construction
    - 1. The City contractor mobilized to the site on November 4, 2020 to begin offsite drainage work and sanitary sewer construction.
    - 2. Olio Road north of 141<sup>st</sup> Street and through the intersection with 146<sup>th</sup> Street was closed on March 15. It is expected to reopen by July 1.
    - 3. 146<sup>th</sup> Street west of Olio Road will close after July 1 for project completion.
    - 4. Storm sewer construction and roadway grading is ongoing. The subgrade treatment is complete. Paving is scheduled for mid-May.
    - 5. 156<sup>th</sup> Street between Olio and Boden Roads was resurfaced the week of April 5. This street is part of the detour around the closure.
    - 6. The City is working to accommodate the 2021 Music Center schedule. The Music Center is supportive of the closure plan, which aims to expedite the project.
  - iii. Substantial completion is expected by Thanksgiving 2021.

- iv. Final completion is expected in spring of 2022.
6. Greenfield Avenue Culvert over Lehr Ditch, west of Marilyn Road
- a. Construction is underway.
    - i. Greenfield Avenue was closed from March 22 through April 12. The project is on schedule.
    - ii. The culvert is sized for a future roundabout.
    - iii. The project is substantially complete, with punch list items to be addressed in the coming weeks.
7. Hamilton County Projects
- a. Carrigan Road Bridge over Morse Lake (County Bridge 98)
    - i. Construction is expected to last 120 days.
      - 1. The roadway is expected to be closed from March 1, 2021 to May 30, 2021.
      - 2. The waterway will be closed on or after May 19 for 10 days for beam painting. Mr. Boice stated a major fundraiser will be held on May 22 in Cicero. He asked if special approval could be given to allow 10 to 15 small boats with experienced drivers through to attend the fundraiser that morning. Staff will contact Hamilton County.
    - ii. Lighting installation by the City will take place at a later date.
  - b. 146<sup>th</sup> Street over Allisonville Road Interchange
    - i. Letting is expected in fall 2022.
    - ii. There will be changes to access during construction and after construction.
    - iii. Allisonville Road is expected to be closed for six to eight months.
8. INDOT Projects
- a. SR37 (126<sup>th</sup> Street to 146<sup>th</sup> Street)
    - i. 126<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange
      - 1. The intersection is open to traffic.
    - ii. 146<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange
      - 1. Upcoming lane restrictions:
        - a. 146<sup>th</sup> Street
          - i. There will be a full closure for a Phase Shift.
          - ii. The closure is complete and the road was reopened.
        - b. Herriman Boulevard south of 146<sup>th</sup> Street
          - i. The northbound lane only will be closed. The southbound lane is open from 146<sup>th</sup> Street. The northbound lane is closed south of 146<sup>th</sup> Street.
          - ii. The closure is ongoing and expected to reopen on May 17.
          - iii. Access to the gas station is being maintained.
        - c. Herriman Boulevard north of 146<sup>th</sup> Street
          - i. Work has not yet been scheduled.

- ii. The City has requested phased construction so that the road will remain at least partially open at all times.

Mr. Smith left the meeting.

- 2. The completion date may be delayed from six to nine months.
- iii. 131<sup>st</sup> and 135<sup>th</sup> Street
  - 1. Construction is underway.
  - 2. Completion is expected in 2022.
- iv. 141<sup>st</sup> Street
  - 1. Bids are scheduled tentatively for a November 2021 letting.
- b. SR32 - Roundabouts at SR32/River Road and the SR32/38 split
  - i. Bids were let in March 2021. The contract was awarded to Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc.
  - ii. Utility work is expected in 2021, with road construction on SR32/38 in 2022 and SR32/River Road in 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.
    - 1. The Board of Public Works and Safety will hold a public hearing on May 11. Opportunity for public comment is required to temporarily close the sidewalk between Oakmont Drive and Stone Harbour Drive during construction.
  - ii. SR38/Logan Street: bids will be let on November 16, 2022 for construction in 2023.
  - iii. SR32/Mill Creek Road
    - 1. Work has been delayed to coordinate with the SR32 to Westfield project. Work is expected in 2025 or 2026.
  - 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 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Streets will be merged with this project.
    - 4. Construction of 9<sup>th</sup> and Conner Streets will be coordinated with the Downtown Improvement Project. INDOT is evaluating pedestrian improvements at this intersection.
    - 5. Freestanding crosswalk signal poles may be installed nearer ramps at the intersections to improve pedestrian safety as part of the 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, 2020.
    - b. Intersection closures and Downtown area closures are being coordinated to minimize impact.
- e. SR37 and 186<sup>th</sup> 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. SR37 and 191<sup>st</sup> Street Intersection Improvement
  - i. Turn lanes will be added on both 191<sup>st</sup> Street approaches at SR37.
  - ii. Traffic signals will be modified accordingly.
  - iii. The City requested adding a pedestrian crossing. INDOT is evaluating the request.
    - 1. Approval may be on the condition that sidewalks are extended to the intersection.
  - iv. The design phase is ongoing.
  - v. Construction is expected in 2024.
- g. SR38 and Boden Road Roundabout
  - i. The design phase is ongoing.
  - ii. Construction is expected in 2023. Construction may be moved to 2022 if funding becomes available.
- h. SR32 (added travel lanes from just west of River Road to Westfield)
  - i. 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.
    - 2. The City is investigating roundabouts at Little Chicago Road/Hazel Dell Road and at Pebble Brook Drive. The City's consultants believe roundabouts are appropriate.
  - ii. Noblesville participation:
    - 1. The City will provide \$2 million in funding for sidewalk construction.
    - 2. The amount may increase if the City determines a preference for roundabouts at certain intersections.
  - iii. Construction is anticipated in 2025 or 2026.
  - iv. INDOT plans show signals at Pebble Brook Drive and Hazel Dell Road. They may consider roundabouts if the City shares the additional cost.
  - v. The Westfield City Council may vote on May 10 to withdraw from the project, although all citizen input at INDOT's public meeting was positive.

- i. SR38 and Hinkle Road
  - i. Flashing warning signs have been installed.
  - ii. Originally planned as a roundabout, INDOT now will install signals. The schedule has been moved to 2023.
  - iii. INDOT is finalizing the scope and schedule for the project.

9. Federal Aid Projects

- a. MPO applications
  - i. There will be a call for projects in fall 2021 at the latest with awards in early 2022. There is a possibility the call may be in summer with fall awards.
  - 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.
    - 2. There will not be a separate pedestrian structure.
    - 3. The option to add rail lighting is being investigated.
  - 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 is from Clover Road to Mercantile Boulevard.
  - ii. This project is in the preliminary design phase. Right-of-way acquisition will begin this week.
  - iii. Letting will be in the fall of 2022.
  - iv. Construction is expected in 2023.

10. Pleasant Street

- a. Project phasing:
  - i. Phase 1: 10<sup>th</sup> Street to River Road.
    - 1. Letting is expected in fall 2022.
  - ii. Phase 2: 10<sup>th</sup> Street to SR37 (not including the SR37 interchange).
  - iii. Phase 3: SR32/Hague Road intersection to River Road.
- b. An interlocal agreement with Hamilton County is in progress.
  - i. Hamilton County has made a firm commitment to construct a bridge over White River.
  - ii. The County has not yet committed to construct a bridge over Cicero Creek.

- c. Upcoming events:
  - i. Geotechnical Work
    - 1. Work is set to begin in June.
  - ii. Appraisals for Phase 1 will begin in summer 2021.
  - iii. Representatives from the City plan to appear before the Indiana State Historic Preservation Review Board on July 14, 2021. The Board may make a decision that day.

#### 11. SR37 North

- a. Status: Traffic modeling and preliminary alternatives screening is ongoing.
- b. There will be a scoping study for SR37 from Greenfield Avenue to SR32.
- c. Funding for the study will come from TIF.
- d. Report completion is expected by the end of 2021. INDOT emailed that they desire additional traffic modeling. The schedule for completion has been adjusted to March 2022.

#### 12. Boden Road

- a. Boden Road and 156<sup>th</sup> Street Roundabout
  - i. Design is ongoing. Utility coordination has begun.
  - ii. Construction is expected in 2022.
  - iii. The City will fund the project.
- b. Boden Road and 166<sup>th</sup> Street Roundabout
  - i. Design has begun.
  - ii. Construction is planned for 2026, but there are efforts to make it earlier.
  - iii. The project will be funded with 90 percent federal funding through HSIP and 10 percent City funding.
- c. Corridor Remainder
  - i. Design is ongoing.
  - ii. The preliminary design is 40 percent, to include the drainage masterplan and right-of-way limits.
  - iii. The City is seeking outside funding opportunities.

#### 13. Downtown District

- a. Streetscape Phase I (2022)
  - i. Status: Design is ongoing.
  - ii. Schedule:
    - 1. Revised concepts are expected in late May 2021 for further input. All input is being explored and vetted.
    - 2. The project will bid in October 2021.
    - 3. Construction is planned to begin in March 2022.
  - iii. Sewer separation and design scoping are underway.
- b. Signals
  - i. Scope: Replacement of existing signal poles with decorative poles on Logan Street at SR19 and 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets is planned.
  - ii. Status: 60% design is underway.



- iii. Completion Date:
  - 1. Design should be complete by July 2021, coordinating with changes to the overall Downtown Improvement Project.
  - 2. Construction will be included in the Downtown Improvement project.
- c. Riverwalk, Conner Street Lighting
  - i. These lights will be funded separate from the Downtown Improvement project.
  - ii. The project will bid May 25, 2021.
  - iii. Construction is planned for fall 2021.
- d. Signal Flashers
  - i. Construction will be included with Streetscape Phase II.

14. Traffic Committee

- a. The traffic code update is ongoing. Chapters 70 through 72 have been reviewed by staff and have been sent for legal review.

15. Development Items

- a. Citizens Energy Water - North Feeder Main Phase II
  - i. Citizens Energy Group is delaying construction through South Harbour to 2022.

Other Business:

Ms. Reed stated light pole design will be incorporated into the Thoroughfare Plan.

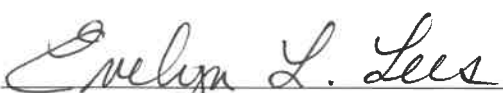
Mr. Hampton stated residents are complaining about the volume of construction traffic in general.

Mr. O'Connor suggested exploring agreements with INDOT that would allow the City to construct projects earlier and then be reimbursed by the State.

The next meeting will be on June 4, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

  
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WIL HAMPTON, COMMITTEE CHAIR

  
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EVELYN L. LEES, CITY CLERK