



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND SIGNAGE COMMITTEE Monday, June 5, 2023 @ 2:00pm

305 SW A Street – City Council Chambers

Minutes

OLD BUSINESS

CRM23-000006

Amber Goin, Amberigoin@gmail.com

Request a review of the intersection of NW A Street and Linebarger Lane due to the bike trail and school crossing. It is dangerous area and needs signage alerting drivers of blind drives and children crossing.

2/6/23: After discussion of this dangerous intersection, it is noted that it needs a four-way stop but has several trees in the Right of Way that prevent proper line of sight. There are five school buses that unload at this intersection. The Committee would like more time to review the area and have a proper discussion on the options for either a four-way, pavement markings or additional warning signage. Item tabled.

3/6/23: David Mills informed Committee they installed new signage but with the current road closure unsure if it is effective. Will revisit item after construction. No action taken.

4/3/23: David Wright made a motion to get Cost Estimate and Design for full four-way stop with all signage at NW Linebarger and NW A Street. The Design to be done in-house by Engineering Department. Seconded by Justin Scantlin. Voice vote, motion approved.

5/1/23: Engineering still working on design and cost estimate. Will revisit item when design is complete.

6/5/23: Design presented to Committee and Street Department will install before end of summer, weather permitting.

CRM23-000014

Sharon Belto, sharon@tiger-retail.com

Request for "No Parking" signs at SE 6th Street between A Street & C Street. With the increase of on-street parking, it is causing a traffic hazard.

4/3/23: David Wright motioned to table until Planning “Tyler” can contact business owners along SE 6th Street to see how the back parking is being utilized. Signage along SE 6th stating “parking in back” maybe all that is required. David Mills seconded. Voice vote, motion approved.

5/1/23: Tyler will work with neighboring businesses and revisit item next month. Motion to table by David Mills. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

6/5/23: After review of the parking, David Mills made a motion to disapprove request. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000019

Shane Allen, shane.c.allen@gmail.com

Request traffic review and calming for Blueberry Lane from Central to Prairie Lane due to the increase of speeding cars.

5/1/23: After discussion, Committee will do a traffic study to determine if double yellow lines would benefit this area. David Mills made a motion to table until counts are in. Seconded by Tony Davis. Voice vote, motion approved.

REVIEW COUNTS (SEE ATTACHMENTS)

6/5/23: After review of the counts, David Mills made a motion to install double yellow line from Central to Prairie Lane to help slow traffic down. Sign Department will add shared road signage for pedestrian traffic. Will review counts again in three months. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000020

Larry Merriman, merrimanspam@gmail.com

Request for 4-way stop at SW Elm Tree & SW 8th Street to protect pedestrians & cyclists.

5/1/23: Committee agrees area needs connectivity and safety measure but with the Fire Station near, it is difficult. Cindy Acree made motion to table until Traffic Study can be conducted. Seconded by Ray Shastid. Voice vote, motion approved.

REVIEW COUNTS (SEE ATTACHMENTS)

6/5/23: based on traffic counts, David Mills made a motion to decline request. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

CRM23-000026

Lorne Dennett, ldennett@21chotels.com

Request for "No Parking" signs along the north side of NE Blake Street.

6/5/23: Dennis Birge made a motion to install No Parking signage on the north side of Blake Street directly in front of the entrance/exit of the parking garage. Seconded by David Mills. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000027

Luke Powers, lpow96@gmail.com

Two requests:

1. Raise crosswalk at least one car length further into McCollum @ Central Ave.
2. Restrict to one lane and reduce right turn radius @ I -49 Slipway & Central Ave.

6/5/23: Cindy Acree made a motion to table due to the location and complexity of the study needed at both locations. City will refresh striping to increase visibility and will revisit after further research. Seconded by Ray Shastid. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000028

Kara Gainer, krosegainer@gmail.com

Request to close roads in Woods Creek Subd for neighborhood 4th of July Parade (Route attached).

6/5/23: Tyler Overstreet made motion to approved as submitted. Applicant must give Police a 24/48-hour reminder for this event. Seconded by Dennis Birge. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000030

Matthew Lane, mlane5280@gmail.com

Request for new speed limit signage and children at play eastbound of SW 20th Street near Been Road and westbound SW 20th between SW Freemont & SW Aspen.

Crosswalk request at SW 20th & Been Road as well as a Stop Sign @ SW 20th & Marquette

6/5/23: David Mills informed Committee that new signage request has already been installed. No vote needed. Crosswalk will require traffic counts. David made a motion to conduct traffic counts. Seconded Tyler Overstreet. Voice vote, motion approved.

DOWNTOWN SQUARE

CRM23-000024

Stephanie Marpe, stephanie@downtownbentonville.org

Request to block parking on the square side of 2nd Street, due to Main Street affected by construction.

5/1/23: After discussion, closing of those parking spots during business hours may cause an issue with surrounding businesses including County Court. Committee will work with DBI for a solution after talking with neighboring businesses and County Court as well as meet onsite to check other possibilities. No action taken at this time.

6/5/23: DBI will stay with original footprint no change and no vote needed.

CRM23-000025

Mike Allgood, mike.allgood@bbconstructionmgmt.com

Request to block parking spot for construction dumpster downtown. 1st Choice - NE 2nd Street, 2nd Choice - E Central (Same as 102 NW 2nd Street dumpster request)

6/5/23: Chief Shastid made a motion to approve the 1st Choice. Mr. Allgood will work with DBI concerning First Fridays and Farmer's Markets until project is complete. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000029

Hannah Carter, hcarter@bentonvillerar.com

Multiple Event Request for Parks & Recreation:

Worst Race - 9/9/23	Square 2 Square - 10/7/23
Goblin Run - 10/28/23	Freedom Frosty - 12/2/23
Valentine 4/8K - 2/10/24	Irish 5/10K - 3/9/24
Half Marathon - 4/6/24	

Maps & Detail Attached

6/5/23: After review, Committee approved with the stipulation that due to construction routes may need to be altered and will be brought back to the Committee if needed. Motion made by Chief Shastid. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

CRM23-000031

John Balsters, jbalters@crossland.com

Modification of a previous approval for scaffolding on Main & E Central: Need to extend to the east and sought this will require to fully close the sidewalk adjacent to the site along Main and Central. Duration through December 2024.

6/5/23: Due to the complexity of this sidewalk closure, the Committee is requiring a Right of Way permit w/detailed Sidewalk Closure/Detour plan. Motion made by David Mills to approve request but must have ROW Permit in hand before making any adjustments onsite. Seconded by Dennis Birge. Voice vote, motion approved.

Last minute addition:

CRM23-000032

Noah Collins, Visit Bentonville

Little Sugar MTB race, October 14-15, 2023. Saturday, Oct 14, packet pickup, no streets closed. 5am street closure begins for Little Sugar MTB race 15th. From NW 2nd St (east side of NW A St) going east to the corner of NE 2nd St and NE A St. Then another closure at NE A St. in front of the Courthouse, another closure at N Main St. in front of the 5 and dime, and the last closure on S. Main St. from Central so SE 2nd St. (one block). The finish line will be south bound N. Main St. The street closures should open no later than 11pm on Oct 15, 2023. N 3rd and Main St. into finishing strait also needs to be closed.

Big Sugar Gravel Race and Expo, October 19-21. 5am street closure begins for Big Sugar Expo on October 19 which is the same footprint as the DBI Farmer's Market. Road closure to extend easterly on NE 2nd St. to accommodate the Farmer's Market (see map) for Saturday only. Eastbound NE 2nd St. will be open Thursday and Friday from NE A St. on. Expo hours will be 3PM-6PM Thur and 10AM to 7PM Friday. Road closures to end on Saturday, Oct 21 at 11PM.

6/5/23: After review and discussion, Tyler Overstreet made a motion to approve as submitted but noted that closures and routes may need to be adjusted due to future construction start dates. Chief Shastid seconded. Voice vote, motion approved.

Due to holiday, next meeting will be moved to July 10, 2023.