



**Traffic Safety and Signage Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2024
2:00 PM
Bentonville City Hall**

I. Old Business

II. New Business - Public Comment to be Heard with Agenda Item

- 1. Event Request - Date Change** **Informational**
John Leachman,
john.leachman@productconnections.com
Seeking approval to move the previously approved 5K route for Friendship 5K to November 2, 2024 from September 21, 2024 (backup date November 9th).
Ray Shastid made a motion to approve date change. Seconded by Justin Scantlin. Voice vote, motion approved.
- 2. Crosswalk/Street Marking Request** **Informational**
Joshua Leffler,
joshleffler@hotmail.com
Request for a new crosswalk with push button pedestrian crossing sign (RRFB) at SW Rhinestone & SW Morningstar. Similar crossing on Bright Road at Willowbrook Elementary School.
Motion made by Camile Thompson to conduct traffic study to determine if warranted. Seconded by Ray Shastid. Item is tabled until study is complete. Voice vote, motion approved.
- 3. Special Event-Race/Run** **Informational**
Katie Aldridge,
foundationbps@bentonvillek12.org
Item pulled by applicant via email (10/1).
Applicant removed item
- 4. Signage Request** **Informational**
Molly Pace,
mace@ecologicaldg.com
EDG on behalf of Thaden School request a four-way stop at the intersection of SE 10th & Benton Street.
Motion made by Jose Hernandez to conduct traffic study to determine if four-way stop is warranted. Committee will compare findings from one year ago to now and update signage as required. Seconded by Ray

Shastid. Item is tabled until study is complete. Voice vote, motion approved.

5. **Artwork Install** **Informational**
Shelli Kerr, skerr@bentonvilleart.com

Feedback on a proposal to install artwork in the roundabout at NE J Street and John DeShields Boulevard. This is a partnership between the City's Public Art Advisory Committee and Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art.

The Committee will review Roundabout Agreement from 2019 with Crystal Bridges concerning maintenance. Ray Shastid made a motion to support the placement of artwork as submitted. Seconded by Camille Thompson. Voice vote, motion approved.

6. **Street/Lane Closure** **Informational**
Craig Gilbert,
craig.gilbert@walmart.com

Request to close North Main Street from Central to 2nd Street to accommodate large crowds visiting Santa:

Friday, December 6th: 12pm-8pm (Santa scheduled for 4p-7p; the sleigh dropped off that morning)

Friday, December 13th: 12pm-8pm (Santa scheduled for 4p-7p; likely have sleigh dropped off that morning)

Thursday, December 19th: 12pm-8pm (Santa scheduled for 4p-7p; likely have sleigh dropped off that morning)

Worked out this item with Parks Department prior to the meeting. No Vote

7. **Crosswalk Request** **Informational**
Jan Carr, jan.carr.13@gmail.com

Needed single crosswalk on J street near Orchard across street to Crystal Bridges.. separate from roundabout. Elderly people coming to and from Greenhouse Villages and Legacy as well as other people crossing from Orchard Park to Crystal Bridges/ Amazeum.. need safe place to cross. The roundabout is difficult for people to cross when traffic is coming from all angles simultaneously.

Camille Thompson made a motion to table until more information is received. Dennis Birge to contact. Seconded by Justin Scantlin. Voice vote, motion approved.

8. **Special Event/Parking Closure** **Informational**
Jessika Walston,
jessika@fabricmedia.net

Mars Commerce United Summit on October 24, sponsored by Vizio, request to park the Vizio Bus in front of The Record on SW A Street (3 public parking stalls). Back up location options: parking lot at NE corner of SW A Street & 2nd Street and the SE Corner of SW A Street & 2nd Street (public parking areas).

A motion made by Ray Shastid to approve option 1 on SW A Street, 3 public spots in front of The Record for the one-day, one-time event. Seconded by Jose Hernandez. Voice vote motion approved.

III. Miscellaneous

Last minute add in item:

Wildcat & MLK

Committee discussed. Police Department is reviewing the area and working with the schools to find a solution.

Bella Vista Road - Sidewalk

Item referred to David Wright, Parks due to the connectivity projects.

Oakhurst ROW obstruction

Dennis Birge will contact ARDOT to assist with the clean-up along SW 2nd Street

IV. Next Proposed Meeting:

November 4, 2024

Kirby Romines, City Clerk

Stephanie Orman, Mayor