

Transportation Committee
February 6, 2017

Brian Longley, Ray Bryan, Scott Jensen, Gordon Murdock, Charlie Christopherson, Pat Thompson

<p>Minutes and agenda</p>	<p>Meeting came to order at 6:34pm. The minutes passed unanimously.</p>
<p>Russ Stark -- Territorial Road</p>	<p>The Territorial Road improvements project started as a CIB proposal through the Council. The CIB funding has changed, but this project is still under conversation. There is some desire to have Territorial serve as a truck route. Others want it to be a bike route. Territorial is not in the five year plan for Public Works. The project may be easier if broken up into segments. Raymond might be a good divider for that. The next CIB cycle will happen in two years, but federal funds might be an option for this area as well. Short term, the Hunt Electric site will be happening in the area. Russ noted that the city bonds for housing have become an attractive funding source for housing so it's not assured that Dominion will have that funding source for workforce housing for Hunt Electric. The committee discussed having a nucleus for south SAP. The group talked about the need for district parking systems. Members also voiced concern for the lack of green space in the area. Others suggested a need for bike lanes going towards the East, like a bridge going across the railroad.</p> <p>Russ commented that when the green line was ogling in, they looked at shared parking opportunities but that property owners were not enthusiastic about it. KSTP may be looking at development opportunities which could include parking or could include re establishing the Territorial link. US bank called for RFPs to share a building to give them a smaller footprint.</p> <p>Parks is having difficulty managing more and more smaller parks. Weyerhaeuser is also taking precedence in developing green space. There may be room for privately owned public space here though. Territorial could leap frog in the funding line if it got federal funds. The 2020 to 2021 timeframe projects were just federally awarded. It's possible that Territorial might not even be eligible (has to be an A minor roadway).</p> <p>Russ will follow up with Public Works on Territorial being eligible for federal funding or where in the lineup it stands otherwise. It might be about 10 years out in terms of being funded. Although there are ways to speed up that process.</p> <p>Improvements to Ellis and Vandalia are in the federal funding pipeline but did not rank highly enough this year for funding. Connecting with the new Public Works replacement of Paul St. Martin would be a good next step.</p>

<p>Reuben Collins -- Pelham Blvd.</p>	<p>Reuben presented on the plans for the off street bikeway on Pelham. A pickup truck with a plow will plow in winter. Street sweepers will be able to fit down the bikeway . There has not been a final decision on the final product for barriers. The pavement is in rough condition but the bikeway will go on the side that has been more recently reconstructed.</p> <p>Some parking will go away with this proposal.</p> <p>The proposed cross section is 36'. The bikeway will run on the east side. Where there is 44', there will be a parking lane on one side.</p> <p>Raymond proposal does not meet standards for one block (300') but they are trying to preserve parking.</p> <p>Construction would happen in 2017.</p> <p>Some residents and businesses are upset about the loss of parking.</p> <p>Wabash would be a preferential road but the tracks from the railroad are there and they are too expensive and/or difficult to take out before this project happens. Removing the tracks would also not give the City the ability to put in a bike path there. If Wabash does become a possibility, it would be easy to move the bike path there.</p> <p>Charlie moved to write a letter of support for the 2017 Pelham bikeway proposal. Ray seconded. It passed unanimously.</p> <p>The group expressed preference for Wabash being the long term bike route instead of Myrtle.</p> <p>Cleveland will not have a off street path probably by amuse Falcon Heights and the U do not want to see that.</p> <p>Put the Cleveland bikeway on March's agenda.</p>
<p>SAP Elementary Open House</p>	<p>Will happen on Feb. 16. Meeting beforehand with the folks who sent the letter on construction concerns on Como at 5:30.</p>
<p>Goals 2017</p>	<p>Put connections with neighbors on the agenda for March.</p> <p>Stop for me will happen again this year as well.</p> <p>Ray moved to approve these as goals for 2017. Charlie seconded.</p> <p>Unanimously approved.</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>MN Bike Summit will be March 16. Put on agenda for March.</p> <p>Cailin needs to follow up with district councils on this.</p> <p>MN Iron Man will be in Waconia now.</p> <p>A new staff member will be joining SAPCC.</p>
<p>adjourn</p>	<p>8:26pm</p>

Cailin to email Barb to ask full numbers on the pork chop island.
 ADA request on Transportation agenda for March.