



CITY OF DOVER

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: TOP FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
Meeting Date: **Monday, March 22, 2010**
Meeting Time: **6:00 pm**

1. ROLL CALL

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M..

Members Present: Karen Weston (Chair), Ed Wentworth, Dennis Munson, Jack Flick, Marn Speidel (Police)

Members Absent: John Scruton, Peter Schmidt, Bruce Woodruff (Planning) and Ben Clark (Community Services).

Others Present: Dave White (Community Services) for Ben Clark, Christine Terramane (Concerned Citizen)

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Review/Approval of meeting minutes from February 22, 2010 Meeting.

E. Wentworth made amendments, and moved to approve. J. Flick seconded. Vote: 6-0.

B. Central Avenue at Washington Street signals – staff updates

Dave White, City Engineer, gave updates on sign improvements to be made at intersection at recommendation of Engineering. He stated that the city will add sign a No Turn on Red for North bound Route 108 while still keeping the sign next to Foster's. White also stated that Community Services staff had evaluated the southbound left turn lane to Washington Street, and recommended adding a "Yield to Pedestrians" sign. He stated he also recommended extending the "gore line" (the painted traffic island) and extending the dotted line marking the turning movement. White stated he did not recommend any change to the signal hardware at this time but if the improvements did not help, the issue would be revisited. Flick asked if the presence of a "Yield to Pedestrians" sign where there are pedestrian push button controls would cause driver confusion. White said this would not. White submitted a memorandum outlining his recommendations.

C. Crosswalk Policy update

Speidel disseminated copies of Crosswalk Policy & Standards to Board. E. Wentworth recommended one change (page 12). Weston added that the brick appearance is not "user friendly" and described difficulties traversing it with a shopping cart. Wentworth noted that the brick appearance is not always used by the City. Speidel stated that the zebra stripe is what the City uses the most and that there are several options that could be used. Weston asked whether committee was ready to vote on the policy. Speidel stated that J. Scruton (absent) might want to give input about the new policy and standards. Wentworth made a motion to table the policy to the next meeting until we are sure that J. Scruton has reviewed it. Seconded by J. Flick. VOTE: 6-0.



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3. NEW BUSINESS

B. Crosswalk request – Old Rochester Road @ Philip Street

Speidel read the text of an E-mail from resident Holly Ferguson that was addressed to City Manager, City Council & Doug Steele regarding safety issues on Old Rochester Road due to speeding vehicles, school children, etc. E-mail requested crosswalks. Speidel listed sections of the draft Crosswalk Policy that would apply to this situation: conclusion is that a crosswalk in this area does not meet any of the Policy & Standards. Weston suggested perhaps to change the location of the bus stop. This might also stop the flow of cars coming out of Philip Street. Motion made by D. Munson to have M. Speidel contact the bus company to inquire about changing the location of the bus stop to the south side of Philip Street. Seconded by E. Wentworth. VOTE: 6-0.

A. Crosswalk safety concern – Horne Street @ Crescent/Glencrest

Speidel spoke of citizen's request to have City install crosswalk warning signs. Speidel showed photos of this intersection and two others within Horne Street school zone (@ Ash, @ Roosevelt) where crosswalk warning signs were lacking. Speidel recommended that TAC ask the Facilities, Grounds and Cemeteries Division to install warning signs at these crossings. White motioned to have the City staff perform a site review and report back to board. Seconded by D. Munson. VOTE: 6-0.

4. MEMBER COMMENTS

Flick stated his concerns with regards to the intersection of Central Avenue at Second Street – turning onto Central Ave. from Main Street and also Silver Street at Atkinson Street, suggesting that the City should eliminate some of the parking spaces on Silver Street. Dave White stated that the Silver Street redesign is in the CIP Program. Speidel stated that if any member received any concern that should be added to an agenda, please forward the information.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

April 26, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.

6. ADJOURN

Munson made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:30 P.M. Seconded by Wentworth. VOTE: 6-0.