



## TRAFFIC SAFETY AND SIGNAGE COMMITTEE

Monday, September 14, 2020 – 2:00pm *(Via Zoom)*  
Community Development Building  
Planning Commission Room  
305 SW “A” Street  
Bentonville, AR 72712

### MINUTES

Present for the ZOOM meeting: Jon Simpson – Chairman, Brent Boydston, Camille Thompson, Shelli Kerr, Dennis Birge, Tony Davis, and Bev Shepherd – Admin. Asst.

Absent: Cindy Acree and David Mills

#### **I. OLD BUSINESS/TABLED ITEMS:**

- A. Jan Carr, 1108 NE Thorn Hill Road – Phone: (918) 607-5106**  
Email: [Jan.Carr.13@gmail.com](mailto:Jan.Carr.13@gmail.com)

*Tabled from previous meeting:* Regarding concerns with roundabout on NE “J” Street in front of Legacy Village Independent Care and the Amazeum entrance to Crystal Bridges. Revisit design and funding options.

09-14-2020: Ms. Carr did not appear. Dennis Birge reported that they were still gathering cost estimates for the proposed improvements they would like to do, and that there was the possibility of a grant. Things are slow moving right now, but they do have a plan. The Committee agreed to table this matter until the October 5, 2020, meeting.

- B. Aniruddha Marathe, 3805 SW Summerbrook Street, Bentonville, AR**  
Phone: (479) 685-9959 Email: [m\\_aniruddha@hotmail.com](mailto:m_aniruddha@hotmail.com)

*Tabled from previous meeting:* Revisit putting in a 4-Way Stop in Eden’s Brooke Subdivision.

09-14-2020: Mr. Marathe did not appear. The committee looked at this area in reference to the request for a 4-Way Stop. It was stated that there are already two (2) 4-Way stops on this street and it was the Committee’s opinion another one might have a negative impact in the area rather than a help.

Motion by Dennis Birge to deny. Shelli Kerr gave a second to the motion. Motion approved to deny the request.

#### **II. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

- A. Nick and Kelcey Scheidler, 910 Clark Circle, Bentonville, AR - Phone: 479-439-8001**  
Email: [KelceyScheidler@gmail.com](mailto:KelceyScheidler@gmail.com)

Requesting that the speed limit be lowered to 35 mph on Greenhouse Road for the safety of the community traveling this area. There have been many accidents on this road.

09-14-2020: The Committee discussed and it stated that there had been five (5) crashes in this area in 2019, and six (6) so far in 2020. Sections of this road are managed by three different entities...City of Bentonville, City of

Centeron, and Benton County. We will contact the other entities to see how they feel about lowering the speed limit. For City of Bentonville, Tony Davis would like to put out traffic and speed counters to see what the numbers are. It was stated that there are improvements to Greenhouse Road in the works, but it may be at least 1.5 years before the design phase begins. The Committee will gather traffic and speed counts, and would contact Centeron and the County. Mr. Scheidler, the applicant, agrees.

**B. Shannon Weathers – 109 N Main Street, LLC, 2601 N. Walton Blvd., Ste. MP**  
**Phone: (479) 633-1198      Email: [sweathers@emeraldbbg.com](mailto:sweathers@emeraldbbg.com)**

Requesting to put a roll off container along NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street taking up the loading zone in front of alley, and two parking spaces as outlined on attachments. This is for renovation at 109 North Main Street space. Expect renovation to last approximately 4 weeks.

09-14-2020: Shannon Weathers withdrew his request. No action taken.

**C. Nate Bachelor – CEI Engineering, 3108 SW Regency Pkwy. – Phone: (479) 273-9472**  
**Email: [nbachelor@ceieng.com](mailto:nbachelor@ceieng.com)**

Request regarding the Peloton Office Building. See attached paperwork for seven (7) request items.

09-14-2020: Mr. Nate Bachelor and Mr. David Swain appeared before the committee with several requests regarding the LSD Peloton. Mr. Bachelor went through each request with the Committee, and withdrew Request #2. Through discussions, the Committee felt that most of the concerns should go through the Engineering Department, and then we could discuss anything further at our next meeting in October.

There was a Motion and second by Dennis Birge and Brent Boydston, respectively, to approve Items #3 and #7, and to table the rest of the Items until the October meeting:

Item #3 – The permanent removal of 3 on-street parking spaces on NW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for designated loading zone for Nazarene Church.

Item #7 – Temporary closure of the public alley north of the Peloton office building during construction.

Motion approved.

**D. Lauren Hildreth – Bike Alliance of Northwest Arkansas – [www.bikenwa.org](http://www.bikenwa.org)**

Revisit restart of Open Streets Bentonville in October 2020.

Lauren Hildreth appeared before the committee with the request to restart the Open Streets Bentonville for October only. It would be the same footprint as earlier in the year, beginning October 3, 2020, and ending November 1, 2020. It is four (4) two-day weekends and the closures would remain overnight on Saturday night through Sunday.

There was a Motion by Brent Boydston to approve the four (4) two-day weekend events with Saturday's closures remaining overnight and through Sunday. Shelli Kerr gave her second to the motion. Motion approved. Chairman Simpson reminded Ms. Hildreth to give the Police Dispatch Center a call when the event was to begin, and they would do the same with her.

**Next Proposed Meeting Date: October 5, 2020 at 2:00 pm**