

COMMUNITY SAFE ROUTES COMMITTEE Monday, March 15, 2021 6:00 PM

MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM DETAILS LISTED BELOW

Anticipated Attendees:

Kristina Fields, Cindy Tang, Maureen Vorwald, Robin Fatzinger, Danica Larson, David Ralph, Jason Artz

Anticipated Staff Attendees:

Howard Crofoot, Luke Peters, Lauree Aulik

- 1. Call to order at 6:03 pm
- 2. Approval of Minutes: February 15 meeting; motion by Robin, second by Danica, motion passed unanimously
- 3. Citizen Comments, Observations, & Petitions
 - a. Dave: pedestrian flags out on Main Street and asked how many we have left in our supply. Howard thought 12-15 flags left in the box.
- 4. New Business
 - a. Dewey Street Sidewalk

Howard

- i. Howard stated that all bids and alternative bids are well under budget. Adding any sidewalks to this project is not a budget issue.
- ii. Dewey Street is a residential local street which one could use to connect to the middle school, O.E. Grey, Neal Wilkins, St. Mary's, and the high school.
- iii. Howard stated that the Dewey Street reconstruction project will replace all utilities, replace existing and add some new sidewalks, and widen the street to 32'. The existing width in some places (closer to the eastern end) is 28'.
- iv. Current existing sidewalks:
 - 1. There are existing sidewalks along the entire north side of Dewey Street from Water to Elm Streets.
 - 2. There are existing sidewalks along the majority of the south side of Dewey from Water to Elm Streets.
 - 3. The current sidewalk gaps are at:
 - a. Elm to Sickle Streets approx. 115' in length.
 - b. 175 Dewey (west of Jefferson Street) to Water Street approx. 1565' in length.



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- v. Howard clarified the three alternative bid items B, C, and D that provide sidewalks along Dewey Street
 - 1. Alt B: replace all existing sidewalks
 - 2. Alt C: add new sidewalk along the south side of Dewey Street from Sickle Street to Elm Street, approximately 115'.
 - 3. Alt D: add new sidewalk from three houses east of Second Street to Water Street on the south side of Dewey Street (and reinstate the existing sidewalk along the north side of Dewey Street).
- vi. CSRC did a Google Maps street view "walk" throughout the length of Dewey Street and discussed sidewalk connections, connection between neighborhoods and school and parks, and street width.
- vii. CSRC noticed that at the east end of the project near Water Street the road had been recently reconstructed at a narrower width, likely 28' and that the driveway of the house on the southwest corner of Dewey and Water Street has a new, wider driveway likely to accommodate their vehicle storage, off the road. The Google Maps street view shows vehicles parked in that driveway and they appear to just fit at the road's current 28' width. The CSRC wonders how this driveway will function for vehicle storage with a 32' road and sidewalk. The CSRC asked if a narrower roadway cross section is/was possible due to this property's short driveway. Howard said no.
- viii. The CSRC recommended that the City look at developing a reduced width local street roadway and setback sidewalks as there are a variety of local streets within Platteville where a 32' width doesn't seem necessary or that it would fit well. A 28' local street width could accomplish a lower cost for initial construction and maintenance, less runoff, setback sidewalks, some parking, and maximize home-owner property.
 - ix. The following motion was made "the CSRC recommends bid items Alt B, C, and D to provide the sidewalk connectivity throughout Dewey Street. In the event that Council is leaning towards reducing the amount of sidewalk, the CSRC's recommendation at the very least to approve bid items B and C." Motion by Kristina, second by Dave. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Old Business

- a. Sidewalk Policy Update Joe and Howard are working on ordinances -
- b. Sidewalk Plan
 - i. Howard showed the GIS Map of existing sidewalks.
 - ii. Howard said that the upcoming local street projects are:



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- 1. 2022 Cedar Street from Chestnut to Hickory
- 2. 2023 Jefferson Street from Cedar north to the cul-de-sac
- 3. 2024 Sowden Street from Grace to Water
 - Grace Street from Madison to circle
 - Henry Street from Camp to Jewett
- iii. Adam recommended identifying upcoming sidewalk projects that would help complete our network and combining them in small project chunks that could be accomplished on an annual basis.
- 6. Adjourn at 7 pm. Motion by Dave, second by Danica. Motion passed unanimously.

This Community Safe Routes Committee Meeting was held via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84091353730?pwd=M3ZPUmRvREJaNkNGcnU3S0lZamlrUT09

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