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Traffic Committee Meeting Notes
Tuesday, September 24, 2019, 7:00 pm
2nd Floor Map Room

Committee Chair: Darin Bartram, Chair; Bridget Hill-Zayat, Co-Chair

- Please provide Minutes for the Meeting

Committee Members: John Doherty, Daniel Martin, Leslie Olson, Tina Sherman, Eli Sola-Sole, John Thompson, and Anne-Marie Turner.

Attendees: Darin Bartram; Bridget Hill-Zayat; Matt Hoffman; Leslie Olson; Tina Sherman; Anne-Marie Turn; Sigrid Doherty; David Romeo; James Cooper; and Helen Williams.

Call to Order

Old Business

1. Farragut Avenue – Update on the installation of the quick curb and traffic delineators (“plug”) at the intersection with University Boulevard.
 - *The Committee asked staff to place the radar recording device along Farragut Avenue to determine if the average speed has decreased from eastbound traffic following the installation of the plug.*
2. Police Officer Hiring – Update on the hiring of two part-time Montgomery County Police officers to enforce the Town’s vehicular traffic control restrictions.
 - *Council Member Hill-Zayat updated the Committee on the MCP secondary employment recruitment and noted that the Town interviewed eight (8) candidates and looks to hire two officers. The Officers will be part-time employees of the Town and enforce our traffic restrictions/regulations for roughly 20 hours per week.*
3. Fawcett Street Bump Out – Review Parking violation data.
 - *Staff noted that there was only one (1) violation during a ten-day period following a request to monitor the existing yellow curb restrictions at the intersection of Fawcett Street and Howard Avenue.*
 - *The Committee determined that they would not support an All Way Stop sign at the intersection.*

- *The Committee asked staff to continue to monitor the intersection for loading/parking violations for an additional three months and will revisit the issue at the next TC meeting.*

New Business

1. Discuss adjusting the existing rush-hour signage on the north side of Town following the annexation.
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2. Discuss Chevy Chase Village's automated/video traffic enforcement program and possibly instituting a similar program.
 - *Council Member Bartram discussed CCV's automated enforcement program, in which letters are sent to advising of a violation of a specific traffic control devise.*
 - *The letters are advisory only, as State Law prohibits automated enforcement with the exception of speed cameras, red light cameras, and school bus violations.*
 - *The Committee requested that staff contact the CCV's contractor to determine pricing for a similar automated camera.*
3. Enforcement Priorities – Discuss drafting a priorities list for the Code Enforcement and Police Officers.
 - *The Committee discussed formulating an enforcement priorities list for the Code Enforcement Officer and part-time Police Officers.*
 - *The Committee members will review and discuss at the next TC meeting.*
4. Discuss rotating the blinking Stop signs to various locations within the Town.
 - *The Committee discussed rotating the blinking Stop signs to various locations throughout the Town.*
 - *The Committee agreed to move the blinking Stop sign from the 'pitchfork' to the intersection of Plyers Mill Road and Lexington Street for eastbound traffic.*
5. Plyers Mill Road and St. Paul Street Crosswalk – discuss the possibility of adding a diagonal crosswalk to the intersection to match pedestrian patters.
 - *The Committee discussed the possibility of adding a diagonal crosswalk at the intersection of Plyers Mill Road and St. Paul Street.*
 - *Anne-Marie Turner noted that this would not be allowed without a stop light preventing movement from each direction to allow a pedestrian to cross diagonally.*
6. Discuss existing and potential parking restrictions around Noyes Children's Library to prevent commuter parking.
 - *The Committee discussed adding time restricted parking surrounding Noyes Children's Library.*
 - *The Committee will recommend to the Council the designation of time restricted parking surrounding Noyes Children's Library.*

Adjourn