

TRAFFIC CONTROL BOARD MINUTES

September 27, 2017

APPROVED AS AMENDED

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerry Dunning, Todd Cormier, Ron Alles

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sondra Baker, Capt. Harper, Gene Wade, Pierre Jomini

STAFF SUPPORT: Dakota Martonen, Aaron Lebsack, Erin Claunch

GUESTS: None

BUSINESS MEETING:

Call to order: Todd Cormier called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm in the conference room of the Public Works Building, 2224 Montana Avenue.

Minutes: Motion by Jerry Dunning for approval of the July 2017 minutes, as amended. Seconded by Ron Alles. Motion carried on a voice vote.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT: None

STAFF REPORTS:

- **Traffic Capacity Projects:** Erin gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Board detailing the traffic capacity projects for 2018. They are as followed.
 - Grand Avenue & 54th Street West (2017): As part of the recent reconstruction of Grand Avenue, a new signal will be installed. The intersection will also be widened to accommodate turn lanes.
 - Rimrock Road & 54th Street West: This intersection currently holds stop signs for northbound and southbound traffic, however due to increased developments in the area a new signal will be installed. The project will include ADA ramps, crosswalks, connections to existing sidewalks/trails, and street widening for turn lanes.
 - Monad Road & Daniel Street: A new signal will be installed in place of the existing 4-way stop. The north, south, and east legs will be widened for turn lanes. ADA ramps and intersection corner radii will be pulled back to accommodate the large truck percentages.
 - Grand Avenue Signals: New signals and controllers will be installed along Grand Avenue. Two intersections (17th Street West and 19th Street West) have already been upgraded. The remaining intersections include 16th Street West, 15th Street West, 14th Street West, 13th Street West, 8th Street West, 5th Street West, and 3rd Street West. Once the necessary equipment has been upgraded, signal timing plans will be incorporated.
 - Central Avenue: A reconstruction will take place along Central Avenue from 32nd Street West to Shiloh Road. This corridor will be widened to 4 driving lanes with a two-way-left-turn-lane from 32nd Street West to 36th Street West, and 4 driving lanes with raised median from 36th

Street West to Shiloh Road. Roundabouts will be constructed at 36th Street West and 38th Street West and a connection will be built south of Central Avenue along 36th Street West. A 10' multi-use trail will be built along the south side of the street.

- **Midland Road:** A section of Midland Road from Mallowney Lane to South Billings Boulevard will be reconstructed. The road will be widened to 3 lanes and a 10' multi-use trail will be installed along the south side of the road. In conjunction with this project, Midland Road & Mallowney Lane will have the south and east legs of the intersection rebuilt. These legs will be widened to provide northbound traffic a dedicated left turn lane, dedicated thru lane, and a shared thru-right lane. Westbound traffic will include dedicated lanes for left turn, right turn, and thru traffic.
- **Billings Bypass Open Houses:** Todd mentioned that there will be two open houses for the Billings Bypass project. The first of which will be on Sept. 27th at the Independent School from 6-7:30 pm, the second on Sept. 28th at the Lockwood Middle School from 6-7:30 pm.

BOARD REPORTS: The data collection for the household travel survey has been completed and the consultant is finishing up a final report. Three proposals have been received for the transportation demand model. A consultant will be selected in the coming weeks. RFP's are out for the overall transportation plan and are due Sept. 28th. The Broadwater trail from 32nd Street West to Shiloh Road has been completed. The complete streets progress report is in final draft and is in internal staff review.

RESPONSES TO BOARD INQUIRES:

1. **Elysian & Mallowney curb alignment – westbound right:** Ron mentioned that westbound right turns from Elysian Road onto Mallowney Lane are often carried into the southbound lane of traffic due to the narrowness of the corner. Erin stated that the intersection will be built into a bulb-out and serve as a crossing for Elysian Elementary School. Todd mentioned that the sign location for Josephine Crossing may also impact that particular movement. City staff will follow up.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Traffic Control Board Roles/Responsibilities:** Due to limited Board members, this agenda item has been pushed to the October meeting.
- **Board Vacancies (Wade and Dunning):** Erin informed Jerry and Gene that their first term is expiring at the end of the year, however both are eligible for a second term. Each term limit is 4 years.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 pm.