



Minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting April 29-May 6, 2009

Chairperson: Tamara Sendewicz

Vice Chairperson: Pete Doragh

Committee Members Present

Member: Joe D'Elia

Member: Margaret Fineberg

Member: Scott Kearney

Gateway Service CDD Attorney Present

Tony Pires

Staff Members:

Elle Harris: Safety Officer

Cindy Hamlin: Admin Assistant

(Staff members are not required to attend committee meetings)

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

Tamara called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm, for the record Jamie Groth is absent, all other members are present.

2. Approval of Minutes from April 1, 2009

MOTION TO: Approve Minutes from April 1, 2009

MADE BY: Pete Doragh

SECONDED BY: Joe D'Elia

DISCUSSION: none

RESULT: motion passed

3. Crosswalk Update

Tamara shared with the committee that the Board of Supervisor's gave approval for the installation, repainting, and signage for crosswalks at Pebblebrook and Gateway, at Commonwealth across from Gartner and at the FBI building.

4. Review Revised Interlocal Agreement

Tony explained the changes he had made to the Agreement after the last meeting. Pete discussed the report that McMahon had done for the committee was suppose to include clarification on the designed speed limit for Gateway Blvd. The report does not include the Speed limit design. There was a lengthy discussion on the report from McMahon after review the committee agreed that the exhibit needs to be amended before it can be included in the Agreement. Tony will consult with John DePalma and make the proper changes. Tamara clarified what the report needs include the designed speed limit for Gateway Blvd., road classification for Gateway Blvd., and priorities of improvement of inspections for safety concerns. Tony will set up a conference call to discuss these issues with Tamara, John and Bill Knight.



Scott Kearney mentioned that the County has made a decision where the Red Sox Stadium will be located; which is located off of Daniels Rd, near Gateway, stating that this could cause a traffic problem for the residents of Gateway.

MOTION TO: Request the Board of Supervisor's approval to task the Traffic Committee with monitoring the development and approval process for the Stadium and report to the Board.

MADE BY: Pete Doragh

SECONDED BY: Margaret Fineberg

DISCUSSION: none

RESULT: motion passed

4. Continue Meeting

At 6:17 pm. a Motion was made by Margaret Fineberg, second by Jamie Groth, and passed unanimously to continue the meeting to May 6, 2009 at 5:15 pm.

5. Continued Meeting on May 6, 2009

The continued meeting was called to order at 5:20 pm on May 6th, 2009. Tamara stated for the record Pete Doragh was absent, all other members were present.

Tamara gave an update to the committee from the conference call that was held. John DePalma has made changes to the report based on the requests that were made, which include the deletion of the Road Closing exhibit and revising the language to more of engineer's terms, and the deletion of the purposes of the effects. The committee reviewed the revised report. John has included speed design verbiage and landscaping to change the road to a collector road. Margaret asked Tony what Gateway Blvd. is listed as now; Tony stated the DRI shows that between Daniels and Hidden Links it is an arterial road and from Hidden Links up to State Road 82 it is a collector road. John shared that having it as a collector is better than arterial.

John explained that a primary study will have to be done to update the data for context sensitive solutions at 3 locations, which will provide both the downstream and upstream that need to be considered before any installation can begin.

The committee had a lengthy discussion on context sensitive solutions, options and locations both for an arterial and a collector road.

Tamara then discussed the possibility of Gateway being 6 lanes because of the Stadium that will be coming. Tony said the original DRI states that the cross section for Gateway Blvd is designed to allow 6 lanes from Daniels Rd. to the East-West Rd., and should allow for the eventual 6 lanes of Gateway Blvd. beginning at Daniels for a distance of 6200 feet north of Daniels and 4 lanes for the rest of Gateway Blvd. Tony stated that for Griffin it shows 4 lanes.

There was a brief discussion of the impact for Gateway on the Red Sox Stadium.



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MOTION TO: Ask for Authorization from the Board to negotiate a work authorization with McMahon for a various stages to analyze the proposed stadium for Traffic impacts in Gateway.

MADE BY: Margaret Fineberg

SECONDED BY: Jamie Groth

DISCUSSION: none

RESULT: motion passed

Tamara asked the committee if they were satisfied with the Agreement with revisions. They agreed to include that the widening of the road will have an adverse affect on the residential areas. Tony will make the change.

Tony asked when Tamara will be addressing the Board, she stated that she is not on the next agenda, after a brief discussion, Tony suggested that she could speak under audience comments. Tony then stated that the committee should schedule a meeting for next week to discuss the Impact of the Proposed Stadium and the Roadway Inspection this would provide Tamara with everything she needs when she makes her presentation to the Board of Supervisor's.

MOTION TO: Authorize Tamara to speak under Audience Comments at the Board of Supervisor's meeting.

MADE BY: Jamie Groth

SECONDED BY: Margaret Fineberg

DISCUSSION: none

RESULT: motion passed

The committee then set May 13, 2009 as their next meeting date. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 pm.