

Final Minutes CSAC – October 14th at 3:00 pm – Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order – Time: 3:05 PM
 - Members Present –
 - Chair Bob Dennison, Vice Chair John Grossbohlhlin, Claudette Ford, Sarah Wenk
 - City Staff Present –
 - Emily Flynn, Greg Krupp, Kristen Wilson
 - Public Present – Alderman Reynolds Scott-Childress
2. Welcome Guests and Public Comment
 - Tanya Garment – 52-68 Wurts St missing sidewalk
 - Bob suggests that the CSAC send a note to DPW regarding this section of sidewalk and copy Police Chief Tinti.
3. Review and Approval of June 2020 minutes
 - Motion by Claudette, Seconded by Sarah
 - Minutes approved – 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
4. Old Business
 - a. Project update discussion
 - Broadway Streetscape –
 - All sidewalks poured along South side of roadway.
 - Installation of permeable pavers ongoing.
 - Excavation and sidewalk work continuing on North side of roadway.
 - Winter shutdown expected after 11/15/20, but date is flexible.
 - I-587 Roundabout –
 - DA Collins expects to be finished with underground utility work by Thanksgiving 2020.

- Spring 2021 construction consists of predominately above ground work (i.e. roundabout, sidewalks)
 - Empire State Trail (Boulevard to Greenkill) – Trees to finish?
 - Kristen – Engineer reached out to City for any final requests before they issues substantial completion.
 - Sarah – When is subcontractor replacing trees that were removed due to under sizing?
 - Greg to reach out to engineer-in-charge about tree installation and maintenance (watering).
 - Rennie – Has received lots of complaints about streetscape design between 5 corners and Wilbur Ave:
 - Tractor trailer movements through restricted area.
 - Incorrect entry of vehicles onto Greenkill from 5 corners.
 - John – Are there no parking signs on N side of Greenkill?
 - Congestion in this area may warrant parking enforcement warnings/education.
 - Hudson River Brickyard Trail –
 - Contractor is finishing up subgrades and preparing for asphalt by November 1st.
 - Project to be finished by December 31st at the latest.
- b. Temporary street closures for outdoor cafes during COVID – 19
 - City has addressed this in a way that is consistent with pre-existing sidewalk café policy.
 - Parking closures has caused no controversy, and street access has not been compromised; therefore, CSAC will drop this item from our agenda.

- c. Conversions of signals to stop signs update – Brian Slack not present
 - o Rennie – has received considerable feedback on these conversions.
 - o Locations of concern: Washington intersections with Pearl St, Linderman, and Main St.
 - o Some residents unhappy because they believe traffic lights were more effective than stop signs.
 - o Some residents have been in favor because of reduced wait times at these intersections.
 - o Main concern Linderman & Pearl St because they are heavily trafficked during school times and have limited visibility.
 - o Wonders what suggestions the CSAC can make to improve the safety of said intersections:
 - Painted bump outs as per City Engineer’s recommendation?
 - Flashing Beacons that pedestrians can activate when crossing?
 - o Bob - Keep on agenda for Brian to respond to concerns and offer solutions related to the study that was done by the County. Brian may also be able to reach out to consultant for advice on outreach dimension of the intersection conversions.
 - o Bob – Can City get feedback signs through County traffic board? There is a speeding concern on the side streets (Linderman, Pearl, Main).
 - o Rennie – when such changes are imminent (mobilizing to change intersections), City should make an effort to inform aldermen and citizens within a particular radius of the intersections.

- d. eBike & eScooter Draft Policy Discussion

- Consult with Brian Slack to see how the County determined to prohibit the use of electric bikes and scooters on the Ashokan Rail Trail.
- Should same logic apply to the City of Kingston?

5. New Business

a. Thomas St Parking

- John has observed as much as 10 cars parked in the bike lanes.
- Should there be a ban on parking on Thomas St?
- Can parking enforcement occur in evening when this is an issue?
- Parking lot redesign has parking on Thomas right now, so Council may want to weigh in on where parking interacts with the EST once those plans are made public.

6. Announcements/Communication /Events /Updates

- Emily – BFK & YMCA are doing bike & bell & installation October 20th, 3-6PM @ YMCA.

7. Adjournment

- Time: 4:05PM