

## Speed Reduction Committee - Final Recommendations

Staff comments - March 16, 2018

Staff congratulate the Committee on their hard work to prepare these recommendations and working through many comments, edits and drafts to reach this point. The final work product reflects the dedication of the Committee members.

Final staff comments are provided here, for consideration.

- General comments:
  - Please note that following Council action on the final recommendations of the Transportation Commission, staff will need to develop cost estimates, identify funding needs and determine implementation strategy for many of the recommendations.
- Executive Summary
  - Suggest that reference to supporting resolution be incorporated to back up the opening statement: “In keeping with Ann Arbor’s Vision Zero goal of zero traffic-related fatalities by 2025, the reality of lowering speeds must be addressed.” [Resolution to Accept the Recommendations of the Pedestrian Safety and Access Task Force<sup>1</sup>](#)
  - Suggest that the hyperlinked text ‘studies’ incorporate a footnote providing the full URL.
  - Suggest that a reference/source be provided for the un-cited graphic used.
- Sub-committee background
  - “Based on research, work with staff and other transportation professionals” – For transparency and credibility suggest that the Committee site what ‘other transportation professionals’ were involved.
- Recommendation 1
  - The referenced “Mobility Coordinator” is not a title currently used by the City, however, staff believe the following suggested revision could more accurately describe the budgeted position, and achieve the Committee’s intended recommendation: “This should be overseen by a City staff member focused on mobility. An additional position has been included in the Public Services Area budget as a recurring expense by the City Administrator that could be used for this role.”
- Recommendation 2
  - “The publication referenced in Recommendation 6...” Should this read Recommendation 3, instead of 6? Or, consider removing reference to the other recommendation to simplify.
- Recommendation 6
  - Consider ‘request’ instead of ‘authorize’ in the sentence that reads “We recommend that City Council authorize the City’s lobbyist, Representatives Rahbi and Zemke...” City Council does not have authority over State Representatives.
- Recommendation 7
  - Request for additional explanation or example to clarify “crowd-sourced data tool”
  - Staff support this recommendation and see opportunity for implementation at the time Vision Zero is defined through the Transportation Plan Update.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://a2gov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2471931&GUID=8FA4544F-8822-460D-908C-446FA7505252&Options=&Search=>