

Speed Reduction Committee (Transportation Commission)  
November 17, 2017, 11am-12pm

The Speed Reduction Committee met with City Staff for in-depth discussion of committee identified speed reduction topics.

Chip Smith (Committee Member, Transportation Commission); Bradley Parsons (Committee Member, Transportation Commission); Stephanie Preston (Committee Member, Transportation Commission); Kayla Coleman (Systems Planning); Luke Liu (Engineering); Cynthia Redinger (Engineering); Eli Cooper (Transportation Planning); Jack Eaton (Public Participant)

**Control of traffic flow:** Ann Arbor uses the SCOOT traffic light system (Split Cycle and Offset Optimization Technique) on major arterials – Real time connection in response to traffic conditions. System is designed for vehicular efficiency. Need regularly spaced traffic signals to create vehicle “platoons.”

**Abrodale/Stadium One Way:**

Arbordale as one-way dates back to a Traffic Control Order from 1968. Citizen Committee decision. Purpose was to reduce vehicular traffic on residential street.

**Huron (and similar) as road diet:**

Demands during peak times, particularly at intersections, dictate lane needs. Daily traffic volume, crash data, as well as side streets and driveways factor in. Also need to consider redundant systems. Huron is redundant for HWY 23, for example. Currently following NMP recommendations; Earhart as example of planned road diet. Corridor study needed to offer solutions for 4-lanes that don't meet road diet criteria. Need time and resources to fully fund City Plan Update with Vision Zero safety in mind.

**Options for reduced speed limits on MDOT controlled streets.** Likely need a state-level change. MDOT would need to study, using 85% and other factors; State Police would then need to approve. Near schools, requests need to come from AAPS Superintendent. Discussion about improving process.

**Data Analysis:** Review of SEMCOG data options available. City engages in an annual System-wide Analysis in coordination with MDOT (safety grant funding). Narrow analysis would require more resources than currently available.

**Specific locations for speed reduction. 7<sup>th</sup> street as example.** Corridor study needed. Would require more resources than currently available.

Meeting notes submitted by Bradley Parsons