Healthy Streets Committee Notes

4/15/21

Committee and Staff Attendees: Molly Kleinman, Erica Briggs, Areli Balderrama, Bret Hautamaki, Kayla Coleman, Raymond Hess, & Cyrus Naheedy. (Public participation: Rachel Francisco)

- Raymond Hess reported on internal staff meeting (see attached notes)
 - Transportation Commission will vote on Healthy Streets Program at 4/20 meeting
 - o 36 deployments
 - Budgetary impact anticipated to be \$250-\$300k. Not General Fund \$, will utilize Act 51 funds.
 - Will go to Council on May 3rd, looking for a deployment at the end of May.
- Neighborhood Slow Streets Program
 - Similar deployment to last year with design modifications at cross streets to alert drivers
 - Vast majority of streets nominated by residents like last year, but a few streets were selected by staff to address potential cut through traffic from healthy streets deployments
 - In a response to committee member request, staff reported they could produce a map of program
- Main Street
 - Significant changes from last year based on community and committee feedback
 - Last year's design and construction look and feel was problematic.
 - This installation will involve restriping and vertical elements at the beginning of each block and intermittently to better delineate the bike lane. Fewer opportunities for error and misuse.
 - Construction zone presents difficulties and sharrows will be use in this space
 - A permanent change is not yet recommended. Need to evaluate the impact of this pilot program. Traffic volumes on Main at the threshold.
- West Packard
 - Last year's pilot was successful, recommend permanent installation.
 - o Exploring resurfacing just the bike lanes on both sides, as was done on Miller last year
 - No parking changes
 - If conflicts with pick-up/drop-off arises, a zone could be established
 - Vertical delineation not included
 - LMB has started a "library" that allows communities to test products. Ann Arbor is on the list to test a Wave delineator (profiled on Streets Blog)
- East Packard
 - This installation will be permanent
 - Will narrow the travel lanes from 11-12 feet to 10 feet to add an unprotected bike lane
 - Comfort is not as high as is a ideal on Packard, but is a significant incremental improvement that could be modified in the future.
 - The traffic calming impact of this project may provide the necessary justification for lowering the posted speed limit
 - May be able to set at 50th percentile, not 85th
 - The pedestrian islands will be narrowed to make room for the bike lane. Still evaluating necessary concrete work.

Agenda

Healthy Streets 2021 Deployment

4/9/21 @ 2pm

Attendees: Raymond H, Adam A, Robert K, Cyrus N, Eli C, Dave D, Ethan M, Kayla C, Kathryn dC, Nick H, Cynthis R,

- I. Engagement
 - A. Online comment tool:
 - Responses 963 comments received; 457 for; 393 Against; 111 Other A lot of the comments in opposition are being addressed through modifications to the program; some opposition to neighborhood slow streets came from people using the street but not living on it; demographics of responses trended consistent with other engagement efforts but more should be done in future efforts to get more responses from under-represented populations
 - B. Post approval/pre-implementation (TBD) materials
 - i. Promo video if approved by Council working to finalize script and get filming scheduled for CTN; to run after approval by Council
 - ii. Inventory of "yard signs" Raymond will do inventory of signs and stakes; Will proceed with existing language unless objections are raised by Monday.
 - C. Website Need to refresh language to reflect 2021 proposed locations (instead of past 2020 deployment). Eli and Robert will work on updates.
 - D. Transportation Commission Subcommittee meeting April 15 will share the 2021 plan; Raymond and Cyrus will present. Staff will prep them with details so they are familiar with plan for April 20 meeting.
 - E. Transportation Commission/Planning Commission joint meeting meeting April 20 looking for Trans Comm to take action and make rec to City Council.
- II. Design and Implementation Prep Engineering estimate is around \$250,000 but with other elements (like concrete and signals work it may be closer to \$300k). Will know better after bids are received.
 - A. Neighborhood Slow Streets 36 proposed deployments; signage at cross streets would be included; 8 additional streets were added 1 or 2 were neighborhood generated; remainder were staff generated looking systematically at parallel streets and minimizing 'spillover effect.'
 - B. Major Streets Main, N Packard, S Packard design is consistent with what has been discussed in the past with minor adjustments;
 - i. Final coordination with PW, Fire, AAATA, Signs and Signals
 - ii. Data Collection before and after data collected; Cyrus will need to engage with consultant on details
 - iii. Evaluation (especially for Main) will need to think about this at a future meeting
 - Pavement work (islands on S Packard; patching/resurfacing on N Packard) will need to get Council approval for budget for these items. Cyrus/Dave/Jane are meeting on Monday to discuss; Dave has already discussed with Cadillac; Will know more by end of next week;
 - C. City Council Resolution drafted for May 3^{rd} meeting
 - D. Released for bid today; due April 22 would like to give possible bidders a heads up that this bid is out. Dave will give Cyrus POCs from possible firms (Pavement Markings: PK; Traffic Control: Spartan, Poco)
- III. Other topics for consideration none discussed
- IV. Tentative timeline
 - A. January 19th Council approves design budget [done]
 - B. Feb design and engineering (HRC) [done]

- C. April 9 ITB for construction contract (due April 22)
 D. May 3rd Council award for construction contract
- E. May implementation
- Topics for next meeting: 4/23/21 ۷.