



TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Quality Services for a Quality Community

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MINUTES

January 13, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
54-B District Courtroom 2
101 Linden Street
East Lansing, MI 48823

ROLL CALL

Commissioners present:

Thomas Baumann, John Boyse, Julie Rojewski, Troy Fassbender

Commissioner absent:

Syed Waqar Haider

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Baumann moved to add agenda item Election of Officers, approved without objection.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 18, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes, approved without objection.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rojewski moved to nominate Boyse for position of Chair and moved to volunteer for position of Vice Chair. Both motions approved without objection.

CORRESPONDENCE

none

COMMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL LIAISON TO THE COMMISSION

New city council liaison Babcock introduced herself to the commission.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Barbara Anderson has applied to join the Commission and attended to observe.

BUSINESS AGENDA

TRAFFIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT – ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES & ENERGY (EGLE) BUILDING, COOLIDGE ROAD

Representative of the development team John Gentilozzi (Gentilozzi Real Estate) presented the project and fielded questions. Commission recommended that the plan be revised as follows: sidewalk / pathway should be proposed across the frontage of the property, on the

west side of Coolidge Road. Motion to forward the above recommendation to City Council, made by Boyse, second by Fassbender. Motion approved without objection.

MSU URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDENTS

Students presented their report, *Request for Proposal: Active Transportation Plan*.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ON ALBERT STREET

Commission discussed the options to improve safety at the intersections of Albert Street, at Bailey Street and Collingwood Drive.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

Commission discussed the options to improve safety on the north side of Grand River Avenue, west of Abbot Road. Motion was made to express the displeasure of the commission, that the protected walkway is generally inaccessible to pedestrian traffic during construction hours. Moved by Boyse, second by Rojewski. Memorandum will be forwarded to the City Council, Downtown Development Authority, Public Works and Planning Commission.

STAFF UPDATE

Bisaha and public works director Scott House provided updates of ongoing road improvement projects.

COMMISSION MEMBER CONCERNS

Rojewski is concerned about the absence of bicycle racks on the south side of Albert Street, east of Abbot Road and west of MAC Avenue. House responded that delivery of the bike racks for the area adjacent the new Target has been delayed but the racks will be installed.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

Commission will work to set a tentative schedule for the remainder of the year. Residents of south Glencairn neighborhood are expected to submit a request for on-street parking change.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 P.M.