

**Meeting Minutes**  
**SSWR Taskforce Advisory Committee 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting**

**Monday, March 20, 2017**  
**6:00 pm to 7:58 pm**

**Taskforce Members in Attendance:**

Connie Noll, Bill Brooks, Aaron Moreau-Cook, Brian Bradish, Mark Robb, Brandi Doyle, Corbin Young, Sterling Cassel, Susan Schilling, Amy Loomis

**City Facilitators in Attendance:**

Jamal Mahmoud, Jason Torrie, Eddie Low

**City Note Taker:**

Virginia Samuelson

**Agenda Item #1 – Approval of Minutes:**

Committee approved meeting minutes for 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**Agenda Item #2 – Addition to the Agenda – Review of Accessibility of Sharepoint**

Many could not access from work. Some reported inability to upload and ended up emailing information to Rita. Others got error messages even though upload appeared to function. Those that could access were able to download.

**Agenda Item #3 - Presentation and Discussion on Prioritization of Roadway Crosswalks**

Presentation by Jamal Mahmoud on the types of crosswalks and how need is prioritized. See attached power point slides. A study was presented showing that adding a crosswalk to an uncontrolled intersection creates a false sense of security. Jamal cautioned that having a crosswalk increases the number of conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles. It is recommended that a crosswalk not be placed within 300 feet of another crosswalk.

**Agenda Item #4 – Discussion on Draft School Needs & Project “Types” (Buckets)**

**Type A (New Facility): Sidewalk, Ramp**

**Type B (New Facility): Crosswalks**

**Type C: Repair and Maintenance including Sidewalk, Ramp, Striping, Signage, Tree Trimming, etc.**

**Type D (Others): Signage, Traffic Calming Devices, Street Lights, Police Enforcement, etc.**

A question was raised about how to define a problem that doesn't quite fit. Picking the closest fit was recommended, for instance, if a repair is minor it would be a Type C but more extensive work might push the item to a Type A or B. It was agreed that the current types will work for the Taskforce

**Agenda Item #5 - Input from Taskforce about the Criteria and Prioritization for New Sidewalk and Ramp (Adoption criteria/prioritization process for sidewalks & ADA ramps if consensus is reached)**

Current prioritization rating for sidewalks from the City are an acceptable starting point. They will be reviewed and other considerations may be added to adjust priorities after the Taskforce reviews the ratings provided by the City. A one half mile radius rating was added to the City's list of criteria.

The Taskforce requested a list of new developments, their sizes and what infrastructure resources they will be supplying. Concern was expressed for pedestrians coming from the new apartments going in behind QFC on 190<sup>th</sup> St NE. How will they get around and is the developer providing sidewalks? The Taskforce is also looking at lighting at major bus stops.

**Agenda Item #6 - Discussion on how the Taskforce should go back to the school and get input**

All school representatives on the Taskforce plan on presenting their priorities to the PTA and then listening to feedback. The Taskforce will primarily rely on input from school experts. Survey Monkey was brought up. It was not considered an appropriate means of prioritizing issues but one of many means available for finding out issues from stakeholders.

Bill is reaching out to schools without representation on the Taskforce.

Add all issues that need to be addressed to the list, even if they are currently on the City's list. This will be a multi-year project. Even if we cannot address them this year or next it is important to know what the issues are.

**Agenda Item #7 – Discussion on how the Committee would get consensus on each Project**

The Taskforce will use the rating provided by the City as a starting point adding in appropriate criteria after consideration of the issues. NSD knows the numbers for the number of eligible walkers and will supply that information to the Taskforce. Some schools function as bus stops for children going to other schools, thus increasing children walking to these schools over basic attendance levels, information to be provided by NSD. Meridian is an example of a place that many kids get the bus for high school and junior high. Lighting is a major issue along Meridian.

It was suggested that each school present their top three priorities. The prioritization between schools is still under discussion.

**Agenda Item #8 – Review of next Agenda**

Next agenda was approved.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM