

**Macalester - Groveland Community County
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, June 28, 2010 | 7:00 PM

Edgumbe Recreation Center | 320 South Griggs Street | Saint Paul

Members in attendance: Amber Dallman, Jay MacBride, Dave Pasiuk, Terry Casey, Andy Albrecht, Mike Kowski, Lauren Anderson (staff)

Guests: Susan Crumb, Afton Martens, Beth Stiffler – Saint Paul Public Works

Meeting called to order: 7:05pm

Approval of May 2010 Minutes: Dave made motion, Jay seconded - motion passes with the following corrections: "Committee would prefer not to include the names of members who make or second a motion to adjourn meetings."

Added to agenda under Other Business: Jefferson & Cleveland Pedestrian Refuge Test, Central Corridor Presentation

Davern-Jefferson RSVP – Public Art

The Committee discussed the responses submitted through paper and online surveys for the public art projects within the Davern-Jefferson RSVP area. Based on survey responses, sidewalk poetry, planters, and bike racks at commercial areas (e.g. Fairview & St. Clair, Snelling & St. Clair) were the most desirable public art projects for the area. The Committee passed the following recommendation:

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council recommends the following public art projects within the Davern-Jefferson RSVP area:

- *Bicycle racks at commercial nodes of Fairview Ave & St. Clair Ave and Snelling Ave & St. Clair Ave,*
- *Sidewalk poetry scattered throughout residential streets,*
- *Planters at commercial nodes, in the event that maintenance plans are set in place for planting, weeding, watering.*

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council also recommends that Department of Public Works invites residents and businesses to provide input in the design of public art as well as the maintenance plans for planters. The council recommends that any unused funds be utilized around Mattocks Park through a future RSVP project.

The Committee also discussed challenges in the process of gathering responses, including the tight timeline from Public Works.

Grand & Syndicate

Beth Stiffler from Saint Paul Public Works gave an update on Grand & Syndicate. Beth created designs for the intersection and Kowalski's grocery store parking lot, which included restriping of the parking lot (resulting in a total of 60 parking spots), improved traffic flow within the lot, and addition of bumpouts. The costs for implementation of these designs varied between \$29,000 and \$89,000, part of which would be reimbursed by the City of Saint Paul. Kowalski's had concerns and wanted to hold off on the redesign at this time. However, if the store plans any major site changes, they will need to make alterations to their site plan and parking lot. Terry recommended that Jay talk with neighbors about sending letters to Kowalski's in support of the new designs and that the Committee pass a recommendation at a future date.

Summit Hill Association Pedestrian Safety Week

The Transportation Committee was invited to participate in a Pedestrian Safety Week from August 9th to August 15th. The Committee discussed participation in the event and decided that it is not able to participate this year but would like to be involved in the design of a pedestrian safety brochure next year.

Bike/Pedestrian Education in Mac-Groveland

Share the Road brochures will be included in all welcome packets for new residents in the neighborhood. Terry, Jay, and Dave volunteered to table @ Groveland Night Out from 6-8pm on August 11th to distribute Share the Road brochures.

Jefferson & Cleveland Pedestrian Refuge Test

Amber called David Kuebler for an update on the Jefferson & Cleveland Pedestrian Refuge Test that is taking place this summer. The City did do a baseline test of traffic before and after school was out and the temporary median at this intersection will be installed by the end of July. Amber encouraged David to leave the temporary median in place through the start of school. Terry also encouraged Amber to talk with Nativity School's President about the pedestrian refuge test.

Central Corridor Presentation

Amber has not heard back from Dan Soler yet on a Central Corridor Presentation.

Congratulations to Amber on being selected for the City-wide Transportation Committee!

Meeting adjourned: 8:18pm.