



City of Goodyear

Meeting Minutes

City Council Work Session

Meeting Location:
Goodyear Justice Center
14455 W. Van Buren St.,
Suite B101
Goodyear, AZ 85338

Mayor Georgia Lord
Vice Mayor Wally Campbell
Councilmember Joanne Osborne
Councilmember Joe Pizzillo
Councilmember Sheri Lauritano
Councilmember Bill Stipp
Councilmember Brannon Hampton

Monday, November 6, 2017

5:00 PM

Goodyear Justice Center

1 CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Mayor Lord, Vice Mayor Campbell, Councilmember Osborne, Councilmember Pizzillo, Councilmember Lauritano, Councilmember Stipp, and Councilmember Hampton

Staff Present: City Manager Brian Dalke, City Attorney Roric Massey, and City Clerk Darcie McCracken

3. AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- 3.1 [17-6195ws](#) Staff will provide Mayor and Council with an update on traffic signal projects for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 and receive feedback on proposed alternatives.

Rebecca Zook, Engineering Director, spoke about the FY 2017 and 2018 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) traffic signal projects. She spoke about the Cotton Lane and Lower Buckeye Road traffic signal that was operational in September of 2017 and relayed that there were additional improvements to the roadways in that area. She added that the traffic signals at 135th Avenue and Thomas Road have been designed and are adjacent to the Palm Valley Elementary School on the south side, and the north side is in the City of Avondale. On Litchfield Road, the traffic signals are the modular style of traffic signal. On Dysart Road they are the trombone style traffic signal which is a little more rounded. Avondale intends to install a signal at 137th Avenue and Thomas Road due to the traffic coming from the north. Ms. Zook advised that Engineering staff had discussions with Avondale and Avondale is intending to install the ADOT style pole. To provide continuity, the recommendation is to install the ADOT style pole at 136th Avenue as well.

>Can the lights be synchronized? Mr. Luke Albert, Traffic Engineer, replied that the lights on Thomas Road and just east of 137th Avenue are Goodyear's jurisdiction and could be synchronized. The light at Dysart Road is Avondale's jurisdiction and would require some coordination.

>Is the light at 137th Avenue, by the church and the high school, Goodyear's responsibility? Ms. Zook advised that although discussions have not taken place, it is believed that Goodyear will

pay for 50%.

>Because there is a light going in at 137th Avenue, does that alleviate the need of a light at 135th Avenue? Mr. Albert responded that it would not change the need for the light.

>Will the lights being considered be similar to the lights on Indian School, roughly at the same cross streets? Yes they are.

>The lights by Discount Tire are not synchronized and it creates a bottleneck at that intersection.

>Will there be crosswalks at each of the lights? Mr. Albert replied, yes, there will be crosswalks.

>Is there any way to have the college share some of the costs for constructing a new light?

Ms. Zook replied that cost-sharing agreements are generally done through the zoning process. She added that it wasn't possible to ask after the fact. She added that the north side of the roadway, where the college is located, is in the City of Avondale.

>Would like to stick with the style previously selected by Council rather than three different styles on one roadway.

>What are the costs? Ms. Zook replied that the costs are \$350,000 for the ADOT style light and \$550,000 for the modular.

>Does not believe it's a good use of the taxpayer dollars.

>Would like to add some kind of design element to identify the lights as being for Goodyear.

>As long as the lights have consistent coloring, is O.K. with them.

Ms. Zook spoke about the Camelback Road Pedestrian Crossing. The new development along the north side of Camelback, Palm Valley North - Phase 9, requires pedestrians to cross Camelback Road. Traffic studies indicate there is a need for more gaps in traffic as there has been an increase in the traffic along that stretch.

The recommendations include an enhanced ADOT style traffic signal on Thomas Road east of Litchfield Road. Additionally, instead of the pedestrian underpass, add a traffic signal at 146th Avenue and Camelback Road. The signal would be the enhanced ADOT style traffic signal.

>Are there sidewalks on the north side of the roadway? Ms. Zook pointed out there are sidewalks in key areas along both sides of the roadway.

>Agrees with the recommendation.

Ms. Zook confirmed that this was the location of a fatal traffic accident.

Ms. Zook reviewed the monetary savings if the city changes to the ADOT signals. She stated that by going with the recommendations, the city saves \$587,700. The synchronization of the lights along Thomas would cost approximately \$90,000 to add the fiber project, which still results in a net savings of approximately \$500,000.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

>Goodyear won the Innovation Award from the Best of the West Awards as well as the Economic

Engine award for PV303.

>The PebbleCreek Home Tour was very successful. Believed the donation to be in excess of \$10,000. A presentation will be done next week.

>Council attended the GAIN events and there was a lot of neighborhood pride.

>Would like a target date for the light at 135th and Thomas. Ms. Zook replied that the timeline is June 30 at this time.

>Attended the Palm Valley Elementary School National Blue Ribbon Celebration.

>Attended the Run the Raceway at PIR which was a fundraiser for Playworks to benefit the schools and builds on teamwork and anti-bullying.

>Attended a Veteran's Day event with Joe Bonaveri, a WWII veteran and Colonel Lord was a guest speaker.

>Handed out cupcakes at the Palm Valley Elementary School.

>Toured Liberty Water which highlighted what is being done to mitigate odors.

>Handed out awards for the Reading Challenge to Odyssey Preparatory. The kindergarten class winner was Ms. Spalina's class. She is a previous winner. Ms. Spring's second grade class also won the award for the 2nd grade.

>Attended the Southwest Gas preparation meeting.

>Interested in a Rock-You-Block which is a trailer that can be rented by neighborhoods for Block Parties.

>Asked the City Manager for more coordination on the GAIN events to allow for more attendance by Council.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Lord adjourned the Work Session at 5:39 p.m.

Darcie McCracken, City Clerk

Georgia Lord, Mayor

Date: _____