



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND SIGNAGE COMMITTEE

Monday, August 5, 2019 – 2:00pm
Community Development Building
Planning Commission Room
305 SW “A” Street
Bentonville, AR 72712

AGENDA

I. OLD BUSINESS/TABLED ITEMS:

A. Melanie McMurtrey, 3105 SW Waterleaf Ave., Bentonville, AR

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This item is in reference to the intersection of SW Featherston Road and SW Briar Creek Avenue. The Committee tabled this matter from the April meeting.

Action: Jon Simpson reported that the School at this location had chosen to stay with the current traffic system at Featherston and Briar Creek, stating this was the best option for them. There was discussion about whether we needed to take down the lights at that intersection and take away the confusion of this area? David Mills said that we could, but that we would need to take out some equipment to do equipment to do this. *The Committee agreed that we would table this item and have Dennis Birge look at this and see if we need to have a study done of this area to see what we need to do.*

B. Robin Ramsey, 3501 SE “K” Street, Bentonville, AR – Phone (479) 544-2069

Showcase Cars & Trucks broker out car haulers to deliver their vehicles. Instead of pulling into the turn lane on Walton Blvd, and unloading, they come up SE “K” Street. When leaving, they have to pull through my yard leaving ruts and drive over my sidewalk and driveway, which has caused major cracks in both. I have spoken with Showcase and one of the drivers. The driver was not concerned about it and stated he could not make the turn onto SE 35th without going through my yard and over my sidewalk and driveway. If his vehicle cannot make the turn without doing damage to personal property, then his vehicle is too large for SE “K” Street.

Action: Mr. Ramsey did not appear, even after telling the Administrative Assistant that he would be at the meeting. *The Committee agreed to table this item until next month* to see if Mr. Ramsey would appear. Chairman Simpson said that he might be able to go by Mr. Ramsey’s residence to talk with him about the problem.

II. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Randy Ramaker, Bentonville High School, Phone: (479) 366-1976

Email: rramaker@bentonvillek12.org

This is to make the committee aware of a request to host the annual Tiger Pride Road Race. It is a small race with less than 200 participants. There is no need of assistance, as they have many volunteers. The course runs on sidewalk around the BHS campus. This race has been held many times and is largely a time trial for our teams.

See attached map.

B. Tim Robinson, 1106 NW “D” Street – Phone: (479) 619-8888

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The American Heart Association has an event called Cyclenation that will be at the 8th Street Market on October 5, 2019, from 8 am to 1pm. Most of the event takes place on spin bikes at the 8th Street Market. This year they want to add a 10-mile family friendly bike ride from 8th Street Market, north through Lawrence Plaza, down Tiger/12th Street to the Coler Trail, then back east along 8th Street to end where we started at the event location. The ride should take between 1 to 2 hours depending on turnout and age of participants. Phat Tire Bike Shop will lead it. We might need a few temporary street crossings across Walton. *See attached map and directions.*

C. Layne Hyatt, 215 SW “A” Street – Phone: (479) 271-3395

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Bentonville Parks & Recreation request temporary street closures for the Run Bentonville Half Marathon on April 4, 2020. This packet includes detailed street closures & signage timeline **, Half Marathon course map, and 5k course map

**. Please note: Due to construction of the new Walmart campus, we request the proposed 1-year change from approximately mile 4.5 to mile 5.5. The route would be redirected down E. Central Ave. to SE “F” Street, then pick up on the original course at SE 5th Street. This proposal has been reviewed with Lt. Randy Wood and Lt. Michael Martin.

D. Andrew Heath, Downtown Bentonville, Inc. – 102 E. Central Ave.

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1. We are requesting the closure of the alley between Three Dog Baker and City Hall on days DBI hosts events downtown. This would include Farmers Markets, First Fridays, and Art Stroll. Alley to be closed after 5:00 pm on weekdays in an effort not to interfere with City Hall parking. Closures will not interfere with any business parking. See attached map.
2. We are requesting the closure of Main Street and “A” Street around the Square for Art Stroll being held on Thursday, August 22, 2019, from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm.

We will be activating the space for art vendors and family activities. See attached map.

III. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Open for discussion.

***Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the next meeting will be:
Monday, September 9, 2019, at 2:00 pm***