

COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: Potential Topics for the Transportation Advisory Board

MEETING DATE: 01-07-10

PAYSON GOAL: NEW: EXISTING:

ITEM NO.:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

SUBMITTED BY: LaRon G. Garrett, Pub. Wks. Dir. AMOUNT BUDGETED: \$0

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: \$0

APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

CONT. FUNDING REQUIRED: \$0



EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached):

POSSIBLE MOTION

I move that the Town Council request the Transportation Advisory Board study and provide recommendations back to the Town Council on the following subjects: 1) Highway 260, Granite Dells Road, and Safeway driveway intersection improvements; 2) Circulation and Mobility throughout the Town; 3) Speeding on neighborhood streets; 4) Business Impact of a bypass; 5) Sidewalk Study; and 6) Developing an annual priority list of street repairs/construction.

SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR POSSIBLE MOTION:

Earlier this year the Town Council changed the Surface Transportation Advisory Committee into the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB). The function of a "Board" is to review and make recommendations on those issues referred to them by the Town Council. With this change, the following process was developed to prioritize a list of issues the Council desired the TAB to review. Upon approval by the Town Council, these issues will be placed on future TAB agendas.

The process for items to be placed on the TAB agenda is:

1. After a preliminary review, TAB will develop a list of items they think the board should/could study and present their conclusions to the Council. This list may also include items brought to the TAB by citizens or by members of the Board.
2. TAB will deliver a prioritized list to the Mayor or Staff who will then present the list to the Council.
3. Council will review this prioritized list and determine what items they want TAB to study. The Council would then vote on such and return a prioritized list of acceptable items to study back to TAB.
4. TAB would then undertake the study of each item and report their findings and recommendations back to the Council. The Council would, as before, make the final decision on each item presented.

At their December 2nd Meeting the TAB approved the following prioritized list of potential issues they feel should be studied.

1. Highway 260 - Granite Dells – Safeway Driveway

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This intersection has the highest crash rate in town. It is number one. We should study it for possible low cost solutions that could make this a much safer section. Limiting possible turns may be something to study. The board could do a visual count as to turning movements and then develop solutions to those conflict points. Reducing crashes allows police more time to do other police services.

2. Circulation and Mobility Throughout the Town

As we see more and more traffic coming through town the local citizens are searching for ways to get around town without having to go out into this heavy traffic. We know that if certain legs to existing streets were completed, circulation and mobility for the locals would be increased. We need to map out these roads and prioritize before traffic becomes too heavy.

3. Speeding on neighborhood streets

Hundreds of people had complained about speed in their neighborhood. We should study if speed in neighborhoods could be reduced if we designated certain streets as a way of getting around town quicker and maybe even raising the speed on some of these roads.

4. Business Impact of bypass.

Although TAB is not equipped to study or select a potential route for any bypass, we do have the ability to research the results other communities have experienced when a bypass was built around their community. This could go a long way in determining and educating the citizens understanding the business impact such would have on the town.

5. Sidewalk Study

Although the small town ADOT study will report on sidewalks, there is a need for local review of such. Local citizens will have a better feel of where and what type of sidewalks are needed in locations throughout the town. We also need to identify where sidewalks are not safe and need to be relocated away from the street by either vertical or horizontal separation. Studies have shown that pedestrians will not use what feels like an unsafe sidewalk.

6. Developing Annual Priority List of Street Repairs/Construction

This has been an annual study of the board for some time. Even though our budgets currently are very limited for this activity, conditions and traffic patterns change and what may be at the top of the list one year may not make it to the top the next. Each year the board continues to refine their priorities with the end result of a better list each year.

The next step is for the Council to approve this list of issues, with any desired modifications, and then they will be discussed by the TAB.

Staff recommends approval of this list of issues to be studied by the TAB.

PROS:

CONS:

PUBLIC INPUT (if any):

The TAB meetings are all open to the public and time is provided for public input on all items on the agenda.

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS (if any) (give dates and attach minutes):

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FUNDING:

Acct:	Budget:	Available	Expense:	Remaining:
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