CITY OF CONCORD TRAFFIC OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF October 27, 2020

The Traffic Operations Committee (TOC) met at 9:00 AM on October 27th, 2020.

Due to the Covid-19/Coronavirus Pandemic and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, the Traffic Operations Committee was authorized to meet electronically. The City of Concord utilized the WebEx platform for this electronic meeting. There was no physical location to observe and listen to the meeting, which was authorized pursuant to Governor Sununu's emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04.

All members of the Committee had the ability to communicate during this meeting through the WebEx platform, and the public had access to listen and participate in this meeting as necessary.

- Attendees: Matt Cashman, David Cedarholm, Terry Crotty, Sam Durfee, Jim Major, John Thomas, Todd Welch and Rick Wollert
- Absent: Karen Hill and Fred Reagan
- Guests: Dick Lemieux joined the meeting at 9:25am

1. Introductions

2. Regular Discussion Items

a. Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes of September 22, 2020 were approved without amendments (Motion – Thomas; Second – Crotty).

b. Overview of City-Wide Crash Data

Thomas reported that traffic volumes and accidents for September are still very low; there was one fatal, one pedestrian and two bicycle accidents.

c. City Council Meeting Update

Cedarholm described the presentation gave at the Council's regular meeting on October 13, 2020 about the Loudon Road bridge project.

Transportation Policy Advisory Committee (TPAC) Update

TPAC met on October 22, 2020.

3. Ongoing Discussion and Action Items

a. Update on Bog/Carter Hill/Horse Hill/River Road intersection study

Cedarholm reported that a memo is being prepared to present to City Council.

b. Update surrounding back to school traffic patterns

Crotty discussed the volume of students being bussed each day; the volumes are manageable at this time. Cashman reported that the striping that was added at the Rundlett Middle School has been beneficial.

4. New Discussion and Action Items

a. South Main Street Weeble

Major commented that the weeble has been moved out of the center of the road to the edge of the road.

b. Resident's concerns at Shaw and High streets

Cedarholm reported about a resident's sight distance concerns near the corner of Shaw Street and High Street in Penacook. The view is obstructed and a tracker request was submitted.

c. Tree trimming on Main and Centre streets

As the issue does not involve the Committee, Cedarholm will discuss the concern with Major after the meeting.

d. Speeding vehicles on Shawmutt Street

Cedarholm presented a resident's concern about speeding vehicles on Shawmutt Street near the Eastman school. Cedarholm asked that Thomas that the speed trailer be placed near the school. Engineering will also place a speed counter at the location prior to the trailer. Regarding another matter, Welch requested that the trailer be placed on Franklin Street between Charles and Rumford streets; Thomas indicated he will take care of it and noted that it has already been on Franklin twice this year.

5. Tabled items were not discussed:

- a. Discuss traffic counter data for Hoit Rd, and "cross traffic does not stop" signs at the Hoit Rd -Mountain Rd intersection. – *Item tabled to see if new signs improve operations.*
- b. Discuss request for crosswalk at South Street and Mooreland Ave. Item tabled until traffic and pedestrian counts can be performed after COVID-19 subsides.
- c. Request from resident regarding traffic speed concerns on Ridge Road and intersection with Forest Street. Item tabled until traffic and pedestrian counts can be performed during the school year.
- d. Discuss status of intersection improvements for Centre/Washington Street intersection. Item tabled until a Public Meeting can be held and funding can be appropriated.
- e. Discuss status of installation of Audible Pedestrian Signals at Pleasant/Green and Pleasant/State intersections regarding safety concerns for blind resident. *Item tabled until funding can be appropriated.*
- f. Discuss status of temporary median island test at CVS/Burger King driveway and resident concerns regarding Burns Ave turn-around traffic. *Item tabled until Engineering can send out letter to businesses.*