

2-8-2024. Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

Members: Andrew Levine Chief of Staff, Wayne Amaral, DPS Dir Co chair, Cllrs; Jim McCauley, Jennie Donahue, Marshal Murray, Clerk Jones, Chief Bradbury, Dir Port

New Business

MVPC Vision Zero Presentation on Safe Streets for all project and High Injury Network findings:
Slide presentation

- Speed mitigation tool we have -faster you go smaller cone of vision is. Safety measures that can be limited; Roadway & Intersection Redesign,
- Proven Safety- crosswalk improvement, slow down, remove visibility impairments at turns

Questions:

What are your favorite safety improvements success stories?

Do your TIP projects prioritize safety and modal shift?

What additional project should be on the Vision Zero Plan priority list?

Dir Port- Livable Streets is a group we work with along with Disabilities Commission
Areas of concern for Nbpt.- Storey Ave, Water Street,
Cllr Donahue- interesting to see what we see is also shown on map. Often let things go too long. This program and grants are invaluable. Three Roads was also mentioned as a safety concern.

Dir Amaral – thanked Merrimack Valley for taking lead on this. Not only cost for implementing sidewalks but we don't have staff for public safety. Currently do it now during their spare time the best they can. Challenge I have is not just money but resources. Even if got money hard to find a safety / traffic engineer.

Cllr McCauley- Is blue color coding projects that have been proposed? Yes. Cllr- map does identify our issues. Next step how do we address all the concerns. Speaker- Blue line city priority projects – no funding for Orange TIP projects.

Attendee Kyle Miller- attended today to speak about Dennett Dr. It is a dependency problem. Area affected by Charter School and workers leaving Industrial Park. Bridge is closed so vehicle go to Dennett. They are traveling way too fast in residential neighborhood to get to Rte. 113. I have spoken to police and councilors about this. Bridge shut down by Artichoke is part of problem. Very frustrated with this. Andrew will continue to have MVPC update us. Speaker will follow up with survey.

Washington St speeding near Clipper City Rail Trail – hold to next meeting.

Approve previous minutes. – will address at next mtg.

Public Comment no one

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Dennett Drive cut through – Dir Amaral – have been hearing about this in the last few weeks. Went out and did see volume. No way to control volume. Could possibly made one way. Do not see great solution at this time, but will continue to work on it. Andrew L- we have sent out letters in past to businesses in areas and ask to possible have staggered ending times. Cllr Donahue- do we have any updates on bridge? Andrew L will be hearing about this on Monday. West Newbury got some recent grants. There will be some movement on bridge soon. Dir Amaral- we did have traffic issue before bridge closed done. Will help issue a little. Andrew L – will keep this on agenda.

Meeting adjourned

