

CALL TO ORDER:

Present were Mayor Jim O'Brien, Council Members Tom Stroup, Andy Williams, Mandy David, and Tony Davit. Also present were Town Manager Robert Smith, Town Clerk Dorothy Burkhalter, Finance Director Tara Vogel, Public Works Director Tonya Elliott-Moore, and Mr. John Fitzgibbon. Member Molly Rose was absent.

1. WORKSHOP CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor O'Brien called the workshop to order at 6:00pm. He then led everyone with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Other items for consideration

i. Oakdale Street & E 9th Avenue Permanent Traffic Diversion Options

Manager Smith turned the floor over to Director Elliott-Moore. Director Elliott-Moore thanked Ms. Vicki Hearst and the Windermere Garden Club for their input regarding the landscaping of the diverter. She then commented on the median ownership (Town), landscaping, and flexible/permanent diverters. Director Elliott-Moore turned the floor over to Mr. Mike Woodward. Mr. Woodward gave an overview of the temporary diverter. He then reviewed residents' opinions/comments that were received at the April 6th workshop (temporary barriers, landscaping, golf cart pass through, path width, turnarounds, signage, trellis, and trees). Director Elliott-Moore stated that Mr. Woodward is working with the Town as he is a Traffic Engineer. Mayor O'Brien opened the floor to the Town Council members. Member Davit questioned if options other than the trellis were explored. Mr. Woodward stated he would recommend a type D curb. He then stated that the trellis would be offset to one side. Mr. Woodward then commented on the clear zone and distance needed from the curb. Discussion was made regarding space and visibility. Member Williams suggested a hedge along the southeast side of the golf cart path. Member Stroup stated that he agreed with Member Williams. He then suggested a 1-2-foot brick flower bed structure. Mr. Fitzgibbon stated that he believed the curb would work along with a hedge. Mayor O'Brien questioned if the cart pathway could be moved to the east. Mr. Woodward commented that tree root zones would then become a concern. Director Elliott-Moore commented on concerns with running into swales and the upcoming Bessie Basin project. Member David commented on concerns with adding concrete and impacting swales and drainage in the area. Mayor O'Brien opened the floor to the public. The first to speak was Mr. David Sharpe of 1027 Oakdale Street. Mr. Sharpe stated he appreciated all the work that has gone on with this project. He then commented on the 5' cart path. Ms. Brandi Haines of 835 Oakdale Street introduced herself. She then commented on the southeast corner and her neighbors' concern of a Simpson stopper and the need for shade and trees. Some discussion followed. Ms. Nancy Bardoe thanked Ms. Haines and Ms. Hearst for coordinating the diverter. She then questioned if the planting and curbing will occur before the Bessie Street project. Mayor O'Brien stated that the projects are working in conjunction with one another. Ms. Bardoe stated that the neighbors have agreed that with the landscaping of the diverter, less is more. Mr. Steve Lewis of 936 Oakdale Street introduced himself. He then stated concerns regarding the cart path being reduced to 5'. He stated that he has a six-passenger golf cart and 5' would be too tight. Mayor O'Brien stated that it would be reviewed. Mr. Woodward commented that staff has directed him to look this over. Ms. Betsy Whittington of 935 Main Street introduced herself. She then stated that less is more, and she opposes the diverter. Ms. Haines commented on the cart width of 56". After some discussion, Mayor O'Brien summarized the discussion as to move forward with the design with modifications of the following: potential trees, narrower golf cart passageway with designed curbing and hedge, the least footprint that can be maintained to look nice and take abuse. All agreed.

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ii. FY 2022-2023 Budget Analysis Report

Mayor O'Brien turned the floor over to Manager Smith. He then gave a quick presentation of the past six months of revenues and expenses for the Town.

Mr. Fitzgibbon thanked Manager Smith and Director Elliott-Moore, as well as Kimley-Horn for their hard work for the Town.

Ms. Haines questioned if the diverter could be spray painted for a visual. She then questioned the budget comments Manager Smith had made regarding Parks and Recreation and the Historic Preservation Board. Manager Smith explained that leftover funds rollover into the next fiscal year's budget. Ms. Haines then commented on the painted diverter visual. Director Elliott-Moore stated that Mr. Fitzgibbon will do it, as she has concerns about the rain washing it away. Ms. Haines stated she advise all the neighbors when it is done.

3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

None


4. STAFF REPORTS

None

5. ADJOURN

Mayor O'Brien adjourned the workshop ay 7:17pm


Dorothy Burkhalter, MMC, FCRM
Town Clerk


Jim O'Brien, Mayor

00:38:09 Robert Smith: Chat is open
00:54:36 Stephen Lewis: 6 passenger golf cart measurement - 4'x12.5'.
00:58:17 Roberta: What's the timing?
00:58:47 Robert Smith: after TC meeting in June
00:58:59 Roberta: Reacted to "after TC meeting in ..." with 🙄