

Thursday, November 7, 2019

6:00 PM or immediately following the
5:30 meeting adjournment

Council Chambers

ATTENDEES:

Tiffany Aller	Chair
J.D. Ambrose	Member
Jo Ann Rows	Member
Tony Yeager	Member
Abraham Elizondo	Member
Rosa Mendez	Member
Sterling Naron	City Administrator
Brandy Barrett	City Secretary
Kevin Reaves	Police Chief

ABSENT:

Dani Briones	Member
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CALLED TO ORDER at 6:00pm by Tiffany Aller.

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Discuss and take action on the location of the pedestrian Hawk Signal crossing where the trail system crosses Roaring Springs Road.
- Presentations were made by Sharon Schmitz representing Elm South, LLC, Chris Bosco, engineer at Freese and Nichols, and Kevin Reaves, Westworth Village Chief of Police.
 - Ms. Schmitz explained Elm South's desire to have the crossing away from the intersection at Leonard Trail and Roaring Springs, noting that it would allow for more time for vehicle traffic to see the upcoming crossing and ease congestion in the area of Rogner, Leonard Trail, and Roaring Springs.
 - Mr. Bosco explained that the crossing location was engineered to be in the safest location, adding that it was compliant with street building regulations and laws.
 - Chief Reaves expounded upon Mr. Bosco's position, providing a detailed photo presentation, noting potential issues with moving the site to a location farther north. Those included overhead powerlines, possible underground utilities and sewage lines, as well as human nature to take the most expeditious path thereby creating jaywalking situation. He also noted that the designed path would require the removal or trimming of the tree canopy over the road to accommodate the near 16' height requirement. In addition, Chief Reaves provided an educational opportunity for the committee, including road classifications, site line visibility, and parking restrictions in proximity to the intersections and crossings. He reiterated that the safest crossing point is at the intersection, adding that further review would be required for parking on Leonard Trail.
 - Sharon Hendrix (5812 Tracyne Dr) expressed her desire to have the trail crossing as far north as possible, she preferred where the golf carts cross the road at Shady Oaks, adding that in her opinion the congestion at the Leonard Trail location would not be safe. Stating the old folks home people want out and they will be slow to cross the street. She also asked if there would be time for them to cross the street before the lights changed, to which Chief Reaves explained that there would be ample time.

MOTION to recommend city council, in the interest of public safety, leave the location of the pedestrian Hawk Signal crossing where the trail system crosses Roaring Springs Road as originally designed north of the creek at Leonard Trail.

• **MADE BY:** Tony Yeager. **SECOND:** Abraham Elizondo.

DISCUSSION:

- A brief discussion took place regarding the additional cost the city would be required to pay to move the trail crossing and add duplicate sidewalk. In addition, the committee members thanked Elm South, LLC, specifically Councilwoman Schmitz for her willingness to work with the city and offer the park easement.
- Chairwoman Aller noted that based on the discussions and presentations tonight, it was in the interest of public safety to have the crossing at the intersection area.

Motion passed unanimously by a recorded vote of 6 Ayes and 0 Nays.

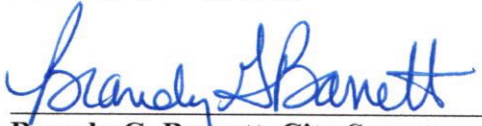
ADJOURNED at 6:57pm.

MINUTES APPROVED on this day, the 9th day of January 2020.



Tiffany Aller, Chair

ATTESTED TO BY:



Brandy G. Barrett, City Secretary

