

VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY
Transportation Advisory Board

Minutes of Meeting
January 25, 2006

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Corwin Vansant at 9:00 AM

PRESENT:

TAB MEMBERS: Corwin Vansant, Bob Bullock, Bob Flocke, Kelly Kilber, Bert Ray, Mark Roden, John Stefanowicz and Gene Woodruff.

COUNCILPERSONS: Marilee Wood

CITY STAFF: Bob Ronson, Assistant to City Administrator and Bill Bowers, Public Works Assistant

CITY CONSULTANT: Joel Wilkinson, City Engineer

VISITORS: Jennifer Anderson, Assistant to Commissioner Will Conley, Darrell Ayres, Constable, Precinct 3, and Elaine Wilson, citizen

MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 11, 2006 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

VISITORS COMMENTS:

Jennifer Anderson explained that she was attending our meeting in order to be up to date on TAB activities and to help Commissioner Conley be aware of the Village's efforts to address its traffic issues.

Constable Ayres said that he also wanted to establish a relationship with TAB in order to better understand how his department and the City could cooperate on mutual problems. A discussion followed regarding the legal and monetary considerations relating to the County assisting the City with traffic enforcement. See below.

A. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Square Enhancement Subcommittee: It appears that TxDOT will make at least some of the improvements along RR12 in the Square which the City feels are necessary and appropriate, and which should be done as part of the current construction project.

2. Enhancement Grant: The committee continues to analyze the appropriate scope of each candidate area. It appears that the County may partner with the City on a proposal to construct a bike-pedestrian trail along RR12 from the Village to the Bypass.

3. Speed Control Subcommittee: Taking advantage of the visit by Constable Ayres, the discussion centered around ways that the County might provide assistance to the City. He pointed out several significant considerations:

- His department does not operate on a 24-hour basis, and he has only one full-time deputy plus access to a County-wide "floater".
- His vehicles have no radar, so enforcement is more difficult.
- The cost of a full-time deputy plus his auto is around \$75,000 per year.
- Traffic fines go to the County. A question was raised regarding the possibility of sharing fines utilizing some sort of City-County arrangement. This should be looked into.

B. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. Report on IWORQ Program: Bob Ronson reported that an IWORQ representative is scheduled to conduct an all-day training session on February 8 and will be at the next TAB meeting on that day to review the system's capabilities and answer questions. He also passed out sample forms illustrating how IWORQ can document data for use by the City staff.

C. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: None

D. WORK SESSION:

1. City Engineer's Low Water Crossing Report: Joel Wilkinson passed out a Drainage Area Map showing the tributary areas for each subject crossing, and also a list of the crossings and their characteristics for discussion. Mark Roden proposed categorizing the crossings to indicate if the implementation for each is primarily administrative, technical/engineering, or construction.

For those solutions that require engineering, it was requested that Wilkinson provide rough costs and number of people affected by each, related to 2, 5, 10, 25 and 100-year floods.

Council Member Wood asked that TAB organize the basic information so that the City staff can meet with concerned citizens and let them understand they have not been forgotten and that the fundamental limitation is funding. She also suggested that thought be given as to how the City might seek grants for some of this needed work.

This subject will be a Work Session at the next TAB meeting.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Discussion of extended Transportation Master Plan mapping services.

F. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

February 8, 2006

February 22

March 8

March 22

G. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved at TAB meeting February 8, 2006