

VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY
Transportation Advisory Board

Minutes of Meeting
November 9, 2005

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

PRESENT:

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

COUNCILPERSONS: Marilee Wood and John Graddy

CITY STAFF: Steve Harrison, City Administrator and Bill Bowers, Public Works Assistant

VISITORS: None

MINUTES:

Minutes of the October 26, 2005 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

A. REPORTS:

1. Transportation Master Plan Subcommittee: The subcommittee is scheduled to present a draft of the first part of the Plan to Council. See City Administrator's report below.
2. Square Enhancement Subcommittee: The subcommittee has received an estimate of the cost of the entire proposed project from Capital Excavation, the contractor for the current RR12 improvements. It is substantially more than TxDOT's estimate for the same scope. This disparity will be discussed with TxDOT as part of the effort to determine how much TxDOT would fund under the current contract and how much needs to be found elsewhere.
3. Traffic Speed Control Subcommittee: The City continues to receive complaints about speeding in the Palos Verdes/Los Flores area. The subcommittee discussed the issues related to installing devices such as speed humps, and distributed an estimate showing material costs of \$20,000 for the purchase of rubberized units at 6 locations. The units would be 12 ft. long x 3 ft. wide, and would be installed at 200 ft. intervals. Data indicates that this should keep traffic speeds below 30 mph.

The use of such devices in Austin was discussed. In that city, neighborhoods are canvassed to see if the citizens are favorable to an installation (there is sometimes concern about noise or EMS vehicle access). If the neighbors agree, the city proposes an assessment for 50% of the cost.

It was suggested that TAB ascertain how many residences are on the subject streets and what percentage of the residents are concerned and would endorse speed hump installation. It was also recommended that TAB confer with Council Member Carroll Czichos concerning emergency vehicle issues.

The City Administrator said that he plans to discuss traffic enforcement issues with the Sheriff and explore the use of off-duty deputies and their vehicles. He asked that TAB members give him any of their ideas, questions or recommendations on public safety issues so he can address them when meeting with the Sheriff.

Council Member Graddy commented that the City needs an interlocal agreement with Hays County to be able to be effective in these efforts. Council Member Wood said that TAB needs to reach conclusions on these traffic control matters and set a date to make a report and recommendations to Council.

B. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. City Administrator: Steve Harrison reported that the City is interviewing finalists to fill the Assistant to the City Administrator position. He also announced that there will be a Council workshop on Thursday, November 17 at 4:00 PM for the TAB Master Plan subcommittee's presentation of Part One of the Plan.

2. Public Works Assistant: Bill Bowers distributed copies of three Citizen Comment and Request forms regarding:

- a. Market Day traffic control and recommending that the Lions hire several off-duty officers to help ease the congestion.
- b. Traffic and speeding on Palos Verdes and asking that the street be widened and that something be done to control vehicles going too fast.
- c. Deterioration of the pavement on Loma Vista and asking that it be properly upgraded and maintained.

These need to be addressed by TAB at a future meeting.

C. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Contract for a Survey of Mill Race Lane: TAB voted to recommend to Council that ProTech Engineering, Inc. be commissioned to do a topographic and boundary survey of all property along Mill Race Lane. Motion: Ray, Second: Flocke. Passed 6 for, 2 abstain.

D. WORK SESSION: None

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. City Engineer's Low Water crossing Report: A review of this will be scheduled as a TAB Work Session when the City Engineer has the first draft completed.

2. Schedule of Future Meetings:

December 14, 2005

January 12, 2006

F. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved at TAB meeting December 14, 2005