

**VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY**  
**Transportation Advisory Board**

Minutes of Meeting  
August 23, 2006

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Corwin Vansant at 9:05 AM

**PRESENT:**

**TAB MEMBERS:** Corwin Vansant, Bob Bullock, Kelly Kilber, Charles Lancaster, Bert Ray, Mark Roden, Tom Wallace and Gene Woodruff.

**CITY OFFICIALS:** Tom Haley, Mayor, Council Members Marilee Wood, Bob Flocke and Curt Busk

**CITY STAFF:** Mark Marquez, Interim City Administrator, Robert Ronson, Assistant to City Administrator, and Bill Bowers, Public Works Assistant

**VISITORS:**

Hays County: Will Conley, Commissioner, Precinct 3

City of Woodcreek: Morris Haggerton, Mayor, Council Members Jeff Rasco and Jay Strickler

Loomis Austin: Tracy Bratton, Clif Ladd, Anise Matheny and Lance Hartland

Citizen: Kim Harrell

**MINUTES:**

Minutes of the August 9, 2006 meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** See E below.

**PRESENTATION:**

The consulting firm of Loomis Austin was contracted by Hays County in 2004 to perform a corridor alignment study and environmental assessment relating to future improvements of RR12 from Wimberley's north city limit to Dripping Springs. Tracy Bratton with Loomis Austin presented preliminary drawings showing current proposed adjustments in alignment along the entire route, and also showed cross sections diagramming lane, median and right-of-way dimensions. Comments from the attendees were discussed and noted.

This material will be presented in two public hearings to be held on September 26 at the VFW Hall in Wimberley, and on September 28 at the high school in Dripping Springs.

**A. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**B. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:**

1. Low Water Crossing Program: Bob Ronson reported that the City Engineer is looking into the possibility that the necessary topographic data could be acquired from aerial photography. This would resolve the access issue that has delayed the project for months.

**C. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:**

1. Consultant for Traffic Control Study: The City Administrator has not yet discussed this issue with the City Engineer. This item will be continued to the next meeting.

2. Crossing Signs: "Duck Crossing" signs have been installed on River Road.

**D. WORK SESSION:**

1. Signage Inventory/Replacement Program: It is anticipated that teams of TAB members will undertake this effort, and there was discussion of ways to obtain uniformity and consistency. It was proposed that the IWORQ base sheets be used for documentation in order to tie this program into the other transportation-related inventories. This topic will be a work item at next meeting.

2. Las Flores-Texan Blvd. Intersection Redesign: Bob Ronson will ask the City Engineer to update the December 2002 cost estimates and meet with TAB as soon as his schedule allows.

3. TxDOT's Safe Routes to School Program: Kim Harrell asked about this program and other possible ways to encourage walking to school. Several aspects were discussed:

a. According to the TxDOT website, the SRTS program will not be announced until late this year or early next year. It was pointed out that this program requires a joint application by the City and WISD.

b. At the last TAB meeting there was a general opinion that because of the locations of the schools relative to school-age neighborhoods, most schoolchildren will continue to be driven.

c. It was suggested that Ms. Harrell attempt to poll parents and organize discussions to ascertain the accuracy of this speculation and to determine the actual desire for walking routes to schools. She was invited to attend future TAB meetings and report on these efforts. If there is significant interest, it will be TAB's role to address possible solutions.

**E. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** None

**F. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Traffic Control on Las Flores and La Buena Vista: Council Member Wood reported that she has had a number of calls from citizens in this area reporting that after the recent installation of stop and truck signs, most people are driving more slowly. Some people are still not obeying the stop signs, and some school buses appear to be shortcutting, but in general, the signs have been successful and the City's efforts are appreciated. As always, more enforcement would be desirable.

2. Schedule of Future Meetings:

September 13, 2006

September 27

October 11

October 25

**F. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved as corrected at TAB meeting September 13, 2006