

**MINUTES
WORK SESSION**

On November 26, 2018, the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee met at 11:00 a.m. in the Simms Municipal Building, 808 S. Buchanan St., Room 203, for a Work Session and at 11:30 a.m. for the Regular Meeting.

ATTENDANCE:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Joe Chris Rodriguez	Yes	20	10
Tim Ingalls	Yes	20	18
Ed Commons	Yes	19	18
Steve Rogers	Yes	17	13
Howard Smith	Yes	13	13
NON-VOTING MEMBER			
David Szmagalski (Ex Officio)	No	20	19

City of Amarillo staff members attending were:

Kyle Schniederjan	Director of Capital Projects & Development Engineering
Courtney White	Assistant City Attorney
Michael Padilla	Transportation Superintendent
Judy Alexander	Recording Secretary, Traffic Engineering

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- (1) Speed control in the Mrs. MD Oliver-Eagle of Plemons Subdivision.
Mr. Schniederjan stated that staff had requested Kimley-Horn and Associates review in detail their draft Traffic and Parking Study Report for S. Harrison and S. Tyler Street Couplet Study and provide additional recommendations for the project. The primary objective of the study is to provide speed reduction and secondarily provide better pedestrian and bicycle accessibility. After receiving their recommendations, Mr. Schniederjan said city staff could analyze the financial impact of the project. He suggested dividing the project in multiple phases would provide more opportunity to compete for city funding. He stated that an opportunity for public-private funding would ensure a better chance of funding projects.
- (2) Mr. Schniederjan stated he appreciated input from members at the last meeting to generate a list of future policies, programs, and projects. He stated that the list could be used as a working document to identify and move forward on the goals and objectives of the committee.

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Ingalls called the scheduled regular meeting of the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee to order at 11:30 a.m.

ITEM 2: Review of Minutes from Last Meeting.

Committee Member Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2018, meeting. Committee Member Commons seconded the motion, and motion carried 5:0.

ITEM 3: Future Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date.

Members agreed the next meeting would be scheduled on January 7, 2019. Members suggested agenda items for the next meeting, which included an overview of the current Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan, the difference between the bicycle guidelines contained in NACTO versus AASHTO, and an updated report from Kimley-Horn concerning the speed control on Harrison and Tyler Streets in the Mrs. MD Oliver-Eagle of Plemons Subdivision.

ITEM 4: NACTO and AASHTO Standards.

Mr. Schniederjan gave an overview of the design standards used by NACTO (National Association of City Transportation Officials) versus AASHTO (American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials). He stated that NACTO has 63 member cities, and its major publications include Urban Street Design Guide, Transit Street Design Guide, Blueprint for Autonomous Urbanism, and Urban Bikeway Design Guide. AASHTO, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, standards are used by the highway and transportation departments in all 50 states. Their publications include A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets (The Green Book), LRFD Bridge Design and Construction Specifications, Roadside Design Guide, MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices), Transportation Asset Management Guide, and Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities. He said there is an application for the City of Amarillo for both of their standards: NACTO primarily focuses on infrastructure of cities with populations of 200,000 or more. It addresses urban solutions and is traffic volume and public needs driven. In his opinion, NACTO standards would only be suitable for Polk Street, 6th Avenue from McMasters to Western, and similar streets. AASHTO focuses more on highway interaction, thoroughfare plans, and polycentric connectivity. He stated that Amarillo has a grid and polycentric design, which includes the Hospital District, Downtown, South Coulter St. from 45th Ave to Hillside, and Georgia St. from I-40 to SW 26th Avenue, as well as others. He recommended the committee move forward with a discussion about the development of a thoroughfare plan.

ITEM 5: Public Forum.

There was no comment from the public.

ITEM 6: Adjournment.

There being no further business, Committee Member Rogers moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Commons, and the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Traffic Engineering Department.


[Name], Chairman

ATTEST: 
[Name], Board Secretary