

STATE OF ALABAMA                    )  
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The Street & Traffic Control Committee met at 2:30 p.m.,  
Delchamps Room, 161 North Section Street,  
Fairhope, Alabama 36532 on Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

**Present were:** Council President Jack Burrell, Stephanie Hollinghead, Chief of Police, George Ladd, Street & Facility Maintenance Supervisor, Hunter Simmons, Planning Manager joined at 3:25 p.m., and Mike Jeffries, Development Services Manager excused at 3:27 p.m.; Jennifer Olmstead took the minutes.

Police Chief Stephanie Hollinghead called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes from the December 2, 2020 meeting were approved as submitted on a motion by Jack Burrell, seconded by George Ladd; none opposed.

First on the agenda was a view of old business. The board reviewed the intersection of Twin Beech Rd and Booth Road. Based on the recommendation of the task force created for a traffic solution, the City Council approved lowering the Speed Limit to 35mph, addition of a cross walk at the intersection and construction of additional sidewalk on the southeast corner to improve conditions in this area of concern on February 8, 2021. If additional complaints arise from this intersection after implementation, the committee will address at that time.

The task force created for a traffic solution on Nichols Avenue between Fairhope Brewing and the Hope Farm recommended to the City Council that a lighted cross walk was needed and the City Council approved the funding for a cross walk, LED light and lighted pedestrian signage on the March 22, 2021 meeting. The project is still in the planning stages for design.

St. James Episcopal Church School Zone request was discussed. The committee believes that the school should adopt a special traffic pattern during school times like all the other schools in our area.

The section of North Ingleside Avenue between Central & Edwards was discussed. The committee reviewed the additional traffic study completed in June 2021. The traffic study did not warrant a speed calming device as speeding was not significant. The traffic study did show a large volume of traffic that was concerning to the committee. The committee made a recommendation to City Council on a motion by Jack Burrell, seconded by Mike Jeffries to have the Mayor work with the Public Works Department to install beautification “pinch points” in this area to reduce the volume of traffic.

The committee re-evaluated the item of Mershon Street between Morphy Avenue and Nichols Avenue. The committee reviewed the traffic study from the end of September 2021. The committee made a recommendation to City Council on a motion by Jack Burrell, seconded by Mike Jeffries to have the City add beautification “bump-outs” in the vicinity of the end of the municipal property along the roadway; or to work with consultants for other landscape features/methods that would reduce the speed.

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Moving into new business, the committee discussed the street side parking at Portico. This is private property; therefore, the committee took no action.

The intersection of Summit and Nichols Avenue was discussed. The committee made a recommendation to the City Council on a motion by Jack Burrell, seconded by Hunter Simmons to install traffic signage to mitigate the blind intersection as approaching the intersection headed north on South Summit Street.

The committee discussed traffic on Parker Road at Fire Station #4 and High Ridge Road. On a motion by Jack Burrell, seconded by George Ladd, the committee tabled the item due to lack of representation by Fire personnel.

The committee reviewed previously tabled items and requested the Public Beach Access on North Mobile Street, the Municipal Pier Entrance, and the all-way at Chet and Aiden be removed.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting duly adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Olmstead

Approved: 1/28/2022