

Agenda

City Council Workshop

December 12, 2019 4:00 PM City Hall Conference Room 337

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I. Call Meeting To Order

- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda

IV. New Business

- 1. Revisions to the City of Greenville Neighborhood Traffic Calming Guidelines
- 2. BUILD Grant Update
- 3. Town Common Pedestrian Bridge Project Update
- V. Adjournment



City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 12/12/2019 Time: 4:00 PM

<u>Title of Item:</u> Revisions to the City of Greenville Neighborhood Traffic Calming Guidelines

Explanation: Abstract: The current City of Greenville Neighborhood Traffic Calming Guidelines were first incorporated as City policy in 2001. This policy was amended in 2008 and again in 2015. The main intent of this revision is to remove the petition process.

Explanation: The current Neighborhood Traffic Calming Guidelines were last updated in 2015. As part of the current Neighborhood Traffic Calming Guidelines, neighborhoods are required to circulate a petition to obtain signatures from 75% of the residents located in the "area of influence." Engineering has determined this tends to be a hardship on the neighborhood contact, and several projects have not moved forward due to a petition never being returned.

As a result, staff has removed the petition process that is required to be completed by the residents. The new process requires City staff to mail notices to all residents in the "area of influence" informing them the neighborhood qualifies for traffic calming and detail the plan moving forward. At that time, staff will attach a map of the proposed traffic calming plan and offer a two-week comment period. Once comments are received, Engineering will move forward with the installation of traffic calming devices as funding permits. This process will assist with moving projects forward. Below is the paragraph that will be added to the traffic calming guidelines that explains the new process:

"If the data meets the criteria, the site data and site inspections are used to evaluate which traffic calming device(s) (speed hump, traffic circle, diverter, etc.) will be the most effective. Once a "Traffic Calming Plan" is developed by Engineering, notices showing the proposed locations of the traffic calming devices will be mailed to all residents and businesses located within the "area of influence". The City will allow a 2-week period for all residents and businesses to make comments on the proposed plan. If majority of comments received are in favor of the proposal, the project will move forward to the construction phase. Engineering will determine if a public meeting will be needed with the residents of the neighborhood based on comments received."

Fiscal Note: There is no direct cost to implement the proposed new guidelines.

<u>Recommendation:</u> For information.

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Title of Item: BUILD Grant Update

Explanation: On July 15, 2019, the City of Greenville submitted an application to the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) for the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant. The application requested BUILD grant funding in the amount \$18 million with an additional \$6 million local match for a total funding of \$24 million. The City received notification in November that the USDOT awarded the BUILD grant to the City in the amount of \$15 million.

Staff will review with the Council the various projects that comprise the City's BUILD grant and review the status of funding related to the grant.

Fiscal Note:No direct costs at this timeRecommendation:Receive the report



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Title of Item: Town Common Pedestrian Bridge Project Update

Explanation: Improvements to the Town Common continue. Previously completed projects include the fishing pier, accessible playground, restrooms and the kayak/canoe launch. In addition, construction of the Sycamore Hill Gateway Project is well underway at the western end of the park. Construction of the gateway is scheduled for completion in the spring/early summer.

Over the last year, staff has been designing improvements to the greenway pedestrian bridge on the park's eastern end. Improvements include painting the bridge, replacement and extension of the bridge boardwalk, and lighting of the bridge. Construction of the improvements is planned to begin in the spring and summer of 2020.

Staff will brief the Council regarding their vision for the greenway pedestrian bridge and the work soon to be undertaken towards achieving that vision.

Fiscal Note: No direct costs at this time.

Recommendation: Receive the update.