
MEETING MINUTES

Munson Avenue Rehabilitation Project Public Meeting

DATE AND TIME: June 16, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: College Station City Hall

Meeting Hosts: Donald Harmon, PE, Public Works Director
Emily Fisher, PE, Assistant Public Works Director
Casey Rhodes, EIT, City Project Manager
Jennifer Prochazka, AICP, Principal Planner
James Robertson, PE, Assistant City Traffic Engineer
Eric Dotson, City of College Station Fire Marshal
Brandon Boatcallie, PE, BBI Project Manager
Kim Mayo, PE, CFM, BBI Project Engineer
Greg Lanting, EIT, BBI Design Engineer
Henry Mayo, RPLS, Joe Orr, Inc.
Jeff Lehde, - Certified Master Arborist – Plant People, LLC
Attached Public Meeting Attendance Sheet

A public meeting was held on June 16, 2015 at 7:00pm at the College Station City Hall. Several local residents from the Munson Avenue area attended the meeting with representatives from the City of College Station (COCS), Binkley & Barfield, Inc. (BBI), Joe Orr, Inc. (JOI), and Plant People LLC (PPL) also in attendance.

Meeting Introduction: Casey Rhodes, the COCS Project Manager, opened the meeting and introduced Brandon Boatcallie, the Project Manager with BBI.

Project Overview: Brandon Boatcallie presented a project overview slideshow highlighting the project goals including the following:

- Project Team Introduction
- Project limits include Munson Avenue from Lincoln Avenue to Dominik Drive
- Infrastructure rehabilitation to include road pavement, curb & gutter, storm drains, sidewalks, water lines and sewer lines. A new underground power conduit is planned along the northeast side under the sidewalk from Dominik to Francis.
- Existing and proposed roadway sections were described.
 - *Existing:* Asphalt pavement with combined C&G, 27' pavement width (FC-FC), 5' sidewalk width, existing waterline under pavement, on-street parking allowed in most areas.
 - *Proposed:* Concrete pavement with mono curb, 23' pavement width (FC-FC), 8' sidewalk width, proposed waterline between back of curb and right of way, on street parking not allowed.
 - The southwest curb line will be reconstructed near its original location and the northeast curb line will be narrowed to the south by 4 feet. This will generally

maintain the same footprint as the existing road, with exclusions to the roadway straightening near Gilchrist.

- The 18” water line is to be replaced and relocated approximately 3 feet behind southwest back of curb, from Lincoln Avenue to Woodland Parkway. This will relocate the water line outside of the pavement and help reduce future roadway pavement failures.

No Parking Ordinance: James Robertson discussed the proposed no parking ordinance that is scheduled for discussion before the City council on July 23. With the narrowed roadway, no parking will be allowed along Munson, from Lincoln to Dominik, to maintain adequate fire department access per the Fire Marshal’s recommendation.

Tree Impacts: Jeff Lehde discussed the proposed critical tree impacts and explained the justifications for the recommendations. Tree exhibits, showing specific impact locations, were available for review by the public following the public meeting

Future Public Meetings: A public meeting will be held at the conclusion of the final design phase to discuss the final design recommendations.

The public expressed a number of concerns during the meeting including the following items:

- Several meeting attendees expressed concerns regarding existing roadway pavement failures and questioned the proposed pavement recommendations to ensure they would appropriately address the expansive clays located along the corridor. Possible failure causes were explained as well as proposed roadway section considerations to mitigate future issues.
- A few meeting attendees were concerned about mitigation measures for tree removals.
- All meeting attendees supported the no parking ordinance along Munson, but did express concerns for the people with limited parking directly off of Munson.
- A meeting attendee asked if existing private utilities would be rehabbed during the construction, to prevent future disturbances to the new roadway.
- A meeting attendee expressed concerns regarding on street lighting. The meeting attendee stated they wanted to see more lighting along the roadway but did not want the lighting to shine into their home. The decorative light post at Walton and Foster Avenue was given as an example of possible lighting, as opposed to the larger cobra head luminaires.
- A meeting attendee asked if a left turn lane could be added along Munson at the Lincoln intersection since traffic routinely backs up at the intersection as motorists wait to turn left.
- Two meeting attendees recommended putting a three way stop at Lincoln and Munson Avenue, similar to the recent changes to Lincoln Avenue and Tarrow Street.
- The property owner at the south side of the Lincoln and Munson intersection asked if the “gully” near the intersection had been considered in the design of the water line.

