

Call to Order/Introductions

Committee Members Present:

Alex Vogt (Chair)

Colette L. Farland-Vogt

Liz Richardson

Jeff Warner (City staff representative)

Members Absent:

Dick Lemieux

Bill Hodges

Ursula Maldonado

Review / Accept Minutes

Minutes from the July 19, 2012 meeting were accepted.

Schedule of Future Meetings

The next meeting is Thursday, September 20, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

On-going Discussion and Action Items

A. Walk Friendly Report Card, Priorities

Pedestrian master plan

Alex distributed a draft Introduction and Vision and Goals for review.

• Pedestrian counting program

Volunteers are needed for the counting program to proceed. Volunteer organizations that may be able to assist were identified: Centennial Senior Center, Concord Boys and Girls Club. Counts would occur annually in late September, mid-week, with good weather. There may be some locations where a weekend count may be appropriate.

<u>Car free days, road closures for events</u>
Colette will schedule a separate meeting to discuss planning a car free day.

B. Sidewalk Lighting Levels

This item continues to be tabled until such time that lighting levels can be measured along Main Street.

C. Main Street Reconstruction

The committee reviewed the plans from the Rethinking Main Street project and offered the following comments.

- The center turn lane should be removed except at the major intersections. This will allow for 2' to be added to the travelled ways to adequately accommodate cyclists and add 3.5' to the sidewalk on each side in addition to the 2' of additional width previously proposed.
- Hydrants should be moved to be near crosswalk locations to maximize the area available for parking. This may help to offset parking that will be lost which is currently located within 20' of a crosswalk or 30' from a signal.
- Roundabouts should be considered at Pleasant and Centre Streets. The pedestrian delay at these intersections is currently unacceptable and roundabouts may help to reduce this delay while handling the traffic volumes.
- Why is a right turn lane from North Main Street to Loudon Road proposed? It appears that the major delay occurs along Centre and Loudon. The room reserved for the right turn lane could be used for wider sidewalks and a bike lane.
- Why is such a long right turn lane proposed from North Main Street to Pleasant Street?