

**Minutes**  
**Italian Village Society Complete Streets Implementing Committee**  
**Thurs, Jan. 28, 2016, 5:30pm, Seventh Son Brewery, 1101 N. Fourth St.**

**Present:** Andy Klein (Chair), Rory Krupp, Isom Nivins, Stephanie Harris, Sherrill Massey, Sarah Marsom, Kevin McCain

Andy called the Streets Committee to order at 5:35 pm in the backroom at the brewery. Attendees were asked to introduce themselves and relate any of their experiences with the new bike lanes on Summit and N. Fourth Streets. Andy distributed an article from City Scene Magazine about bicycling in Columbus, noting initiatives by both MORPC and Rec and Parks to establish better E-W bike connections. Andy also distributed a MORPC news release about their interactive 2016-2040 Transportation Map, which includes a reference to an item included on the Draft Project List for 2020-2040 to build a bike lane or wide shoulder on Summit between 11<sup>th</sup> and Schiller Park at an estimated cost of \$10.3 to \$13.2 million; also an item not included in the Draft Project List, to convert Summit from one-way at a cost from \$23.9 to \$46.4 million, between Hudson and Livingston.

**UIRF Reconsideration**

Edward Johnson, aide to Councilperson Hardin, reported in a December email that the Dept. of Development will review a resubmitted proposal for the UIRF projects for IVS from February 2015. Andy noted this is an opportunity to re-assess the need for traffic calming along Summit and N. Fourth Streets, and coordinate with the University Area Commission, which is currently readying their proposal for a road diet for E. Fifth Avenue between Summit and High Streets. Andy asked if Milo-Grogan had a similar opportunity, and noted their prior interest in developing E. Second Avenue with a bike lane. Isom noted the long list of issues Milo Grogan faces these days, and believes the bike lane may have receded in importance. He will be meeting with them, and we asked him to express our willingness to support their priorities in any way possible, including help with UIRF applications.

**Sandstone Curbs as Preferred Choice**

Sarah noted that UIRF funds paid for S. Third Street's Phase I, and Phase 2 design is underway for bike lanes, waterline relocation, improved parking access, and sandstone curbs. The city continues to be receptive to their use, and each city councilperson will be educated about the issue. Testing of the stone still needs to happen, and draft letters of support for commissions and developers are in process. Rory noted that Clintonville's curbs continue to disappear at an alarming rate, and noted that the Burwell developer is willing to discuss sandstone curbs for their upcoming project at the NW corner of Summit and Fifth. Sarah noted that corners may require faux sandstone concrete, either pre-cast or in place, like that used in Grand Rapids, Michigan, which she toured.

**Un-designating N. Fourth and Summit Streets as US 23**

Andy asked Kevin McCain, Councilperson Michael Stinziano's aide, to research the status of our request with Congressperson Joyce Beatty to undesignated US 23, and with the city's Public Service Dept. Kevin noted that Councilperson Stinziano chairs the Utilities committee, so can be helpful with street lighting. He's also chairing Judiciary and Technology.

**Sidewalks on E. Fourth Avenue**

Andy noted the remediation was complete and asked for comments. Stephanie reported that any complaints should be made to 311, but had inspected the work and found it commendable. Andy agreed, noting that there's still work in process on N. Fourth Street south of E. Fifth Avenue and E. Fifth Avenue

between Summit and High. Rory reported that work will resume in the spring to replace the asphalt with a permanent surface.

### **Parking Study Update**

Stephanie reported that Car2Go has requested access to Permit Zone I, that the parking committee believes the residents should make that determination, and will promote a full discussion at an upcoming IVS general meeting, after consulting with Pres. Vidoni.

### **Sidewalk and Curb Survey**

Andy reported that a new build at E. Fourth Avenue and Say had replaced existing brick sidewalks with concrete, and that the Commission had approved the building plans without being aware of that fact. Andy testified at their December meeting and while the staff now includes the type of sidewalk on their standard checklist, our committee was asked to survey the neighborhood to create a data base for future use. Andy agreed to take the matter to the Society and in warmer weather divide the task into geographic areas. Sarah asked that curbs be added to the survey, to general agreement.

### **Meeting Schedule**

Next meeting of the Streets Committee is Thursday, February 25, 2016, 5:30pm, Seventh Son Brewery, 1101 N. Fourth (SW Corner of Fourth and Fourth). The committee will continue to meet the last Thursday of the month thereafter through September with a final meeting of the year on December 1, all at Seventh Son in the backroom.

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Andy Klein, (01/28/16)

**Next Meeting: 5:30 pm, Thursday, February 25, 2016 at Seventh Son, 1101 N. Fourth St.**