Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of June 24, 2020 minutes
3. Overview of Commission Review Procedure
4. Citywide Repaving Plan Conceptual Review
5. Announcements, Staff Updates, Public Comment
6. Adjournment
Commission Review Procedure

1. Topic origin: constituent, Council, etc.
2. Conceptual Review
3. Recommendations reviewed, design progresses
4. 30% (Design) Review
5. Recommendations reviewed, design progresses
6. Construction
Why is this important?

**Access:** Can people get where they’re going whether or not they have access to a car?
Why is this important?

**Equity:** Quality of life improvements should benefit different parts of the city fairly, independent of the money or power in that neighborhood.
Why is this important?

**Justice:** Unhealthy transportation planning decisions in Rhode Island’s past and too often in its present negatively impact poor neighborhoods and communities of color. We should make better decisions that help address those harms.
Commission Meeting
Structure

1. Agenda item introduced
2. Staff report
3. Commission discussion pt. 1
4. Public comment
5. Commission discussion pt. 2 & vote
Virtual Meeting Procedure

• Put questions or comments in Q&A, staff or chair will read them out

• If you would prefer to speak, use the “raise hand” feature (*9 on phone)
  – Chair will call on you during public comment section
  – State your name and the street where you live before saying anything else
CITYWIDE REPAVING PLAN CONCEPTUAL REVIEW

Item #4
How this project connects

Focus on overlap with Great Streets Plan. Great Streets improvements add minimal cost to repaving, whereas it is hard to find funding for them on their own.
Paving / Great Streets Overlap

- Broad St
- Mt Pleasant Ave
- Angell St
- West River St
- Amherst St
- Waverly St
- Russo St
- Camp St
- Benefit St
- Elmgrove Ave
- Upton Ave/Doyle Ave
- Sheridan St
- Several intersections
Broad Street

- City Walk project
- 3 years of design and community engagement
- Keeping on-street parking throughout
- Conventional bike lanes from Plenty St north to Trinity Sq
- Two-way urban trail south of Plenty St to Roger Williams Park
- Curb ramp & bus service improvements
Mt Pleasant Ave

- RIDOT HSIP project
- City working with RIDOT to finalize engineering of improvements including:
  - Two-way protected bicycle facility
  - Pedestrian safety improvements
  - Speed reduction improvements
- City contributing repaving to RIDOT project
Angell St

- Prospect to Benefit (hill by RISD)
- Great Streets plan proposes future one-way urban trails the length of Angell & Waterman streets
- Vision includes road diet on this block
- Compatible with RISD pedestrian crossing priority
- Still needs study
- Construction showed road diet possible
West River St

- Corliss St to Branch Ave (by Stop & Shop)
- Great Streets plan proposes future two-way urban trail connecting to Branch Ave & Ashburton St
- Wide (40’) street with no on-street parking
- Likely high truck traffic
Amherst St

- Between Valley St & Tuxedo Ave
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for sharrows installation on similar timeframe to paving (Spring 2021)
Waverly St

- Between Cranston St & Dexter St
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for sharrows installation on similar timeframe to paving (Spring 2021)
Russo St

• Between Paul St & Nahant St
• Neighborhood Greenway planned for future + off-road trail connecting to Hagan St
• Serving northern part of Charles neighborhood as alternative to Charles St, which is too narrow for urban trail
Camp St

- Between Cypress St & Rochambeau Ave
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for future (speed lumps + sharrows + signage)
Benefit St

- Between Angells St & Halsey St
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for future (speed lumps + sharrows + signage)
Elmgrove, Doyle, and Upton avenues

- Elmgrove between Sessions St & President Ave
- Doyle/Upton between Hope St & Blackstone Blvd
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for future (speed lumps + sharrows + signage)
Sheridan St

- Between Manton Ave & King St
- Neighborhood Greenway planned for future (speed lumps + sharrows + signage)
Intersections

Highlighted in Great Streets Plan due to high crashes, long crossings, complex turning movements, or constituent comment

- Camp St & Evergreen St
- Orms St & Smith St
- Orms St & Pleasant Valley Parkway
- Benefit St & Angell St
- Federal St & Dean St
Staff Recommendations

- Traffic calming and shared lane markings should be installed on planned neighborhood greenways following repaving.
- West River Street should be striped with a two-way urban trail following repaving.
- Evaluation of a road diet on Angell Street should be expedited so that if possible, such reconfiguration can be installed following repaving.
- Highlighted intersections should be evaluated for pedestrian improvements during repaving.
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THANK YOU

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