

**Due to the lack of a quorum, decisions made at this meeting were for discussion purposes only, no action can be taken.**

**Committee Members Present:** Chairman Craig Nordfelt, Chris Mann, John Millar, Randy Lewis, Donna Benfield, Stephen Zollinger, and Lynn Archibald. Rose Bagley was excused.

**Reports:**

**Streets**

**John Millar** reported that the manager of LaJolla Apartments would like to have a 4-way stop sign posted at the 1<sup>st</sup> North 1<sup>st</sup> West intersection.

**Randy Lewis** stated that the intersection wasn't a big problem as far as accidents.

**Chris Mann** stated that people expect a 4-way stop there, and sometimes that can cause problems.

**The traffic committee recommended John Millar initiate a study on the 1<sup>st</sup> North 1<sup>st</sup> West intersection.**

**John Millar** also reported that 7<sup>th</sup> South was still having problems on both ends. At 2<sup>nd</sup> East, they re-stripped the street when the weather permitted; and at 2<sup>nd</sup> West, they put up delimiters to direct traffic. This has helped.

John also mentioned that the roundabout for 4<sup>th</sup> South 2<sup>nd</sup> West is now under design, and he will have the actual design for the next meeting. The City is funding the roundabout, and they are hoping to start construction early summer.

**Old Business:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> East & Main Intersection Design**

**John Millar** had a rough design for a roundabout at this intersection. Originally, IDT opposed the idea outright. Now they are going to consider it. John said that approx. 12,000 – 15,000 cars are going up the hill on 2<sup>nd</sup> East. Also, that there aren't many cars turning East on that intersection, but the ones that do cause the traffic to back way up. To put in a roundabout, they would need to take out the island on East Main, and move the crosswalks back. The crosswalks would access the courthouse much better than at present.

**Donna Benfield** wondered about Public Relations/Public Awareness and Education concerning the roundabout going in at 4<sup>th</sup> South 2<sup>nd</sup> West. She felt that it is extremely important for the public to adjust to this new development.

**Stephen Zollinger** mentioned that in Olympia, WA, they have reader boards to educate how to drive through the roundabout for the first while.

### **Safety Campaign**

**Craig Nordfelt** wondered if anything was happening with the Safety Campaign, or if it had died.

**Donna Benfield** is going to look into this at her next meeting with the University.

### **Committee Bylaws/Ordinance 664**

**Craig Nordfelt** read changes to be made to ordinance 664 from last month's minutes, and asked Stephen Zollinger to amend the ordinance.

**Stephen Zollinger** stated that there is a general committee document that is a policy resolution that creates general rules for committees. He will work on it.

### **Second Street Light on 2<sup>nd</sup> West 3<sup>rd</sup> South**

**John Millar** stated that he is working with Utah Power and Light to have that in place this spring.

### **Reflectors on Marianne Drive**

**John Millar** said that he couldn't see a need on that street. It was tabled until next meeting.

### **New Business:**

#### **Traffic Safety Issues/Quadrant Reports**

**Stephen Zollinger** stated that his area still needs help over on Pioneer and Main. He questioned why IDT wouldn't stripe the suicide lane as left turn only.

**John Millar** said as a general rule they don't do that unless there is a signal.

**Stephen Zollinger** stated that at 8:00 a.m., the Baker Trailer court empties and they drive down the suicide lane and cut across on Pioneer. Also, people on Main will not move over to let anyone know they are turning until the last 50-100 feet and it is clogging traffic. He said that it creates the longest traffic lines in Rexburg.

**John Millar** said that he could only talk to IDT about it. It is their call. The land for the new intersection has been appraised. Things are moving slowly because of some complications with the appraiser. The funding is there for purchase of the property; there

are some negotiations to still go through for the purchase. The funding is not in place yet for the road, the bridge that will have to go over the canal, and the traffic light.

**Next Meeting is March 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.**

**Meeting Adjourned**