## Leesburg Standing Residential Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes of Monday October 4, 2021

The Leesburg Standing Residential Traffic Committee met on Monday, October 4, 2021, in the Lower Level Conference Room #1 of the Municipal Government Center (Town Hall), 25 West Market Street, Leesburg, Virginia. The Committee was officially called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Members present

Town Staff Present

Members of the Press

Deepan Patel

Calvin Grow

None

Sandy Grossman, Chair

Scott Parker

Citizens Present

Robert Sproul

Sargent Ryan Martin

None

Jeff Phillips Raymond Jones

- 1. Approval of September 13, 2021 Minutes: On motion by Jeff Phillips, seconded by Raymond Jones the Committee approved the minutes.
- 2. Public Comments: None
- 3. SMART Trailer results: Sargent Ryan Martin conducted speed studies near 230 W. Loudoun Street with an average speed of 26 MPH and 85th percentile of 30 MPH. The total average weekday volume was 10,000 VPD. Catoctin Circle SW near W&OD trail with an average speed of 30 MPH and 85th percentile of 35 MPH. The total average weekday volume was 5,000 VPD. Kincaid Blvd. near Cobbler Terr. with an average speed of 29 MPH and 85th percentile of 36 MPH. The total average weekday volume was 539 VPD.
- 4. Speeding on Fort Evans Road near Cedar Walk Circle NE: Sargent Ryan Martin conducted speed studies on Fort Evans Road near Cedar Walk Circle NE with an average speed of 28 MPH and 85th percentile of 32 MPH. The total average weekday volume was 13,000 VPD. Town staff cut trees back a year ago at the intersection of Cedar Walk Circle and will continue to cut back each year. Also, Town staff painted parking spaces on Fort Evans Road so that tractor trailers would not park on Fort Evans Road and block sight distance for Cedar Walk Circle. There has been one accident at the location in the last (3) years. Traffic Committee recommended no further action at this time.
- 5. SRTC Traffic Management Plan: SRTC discussed the advantages and disadvantages of becoming a commission versus a committee. The committee requested staff forward the Town Managers Memo for October 12, 2021 Council meeting.
- 6. Traffic Data Base: SRTC requested Traffic Data Base update from Chip Umbaugh.
- 7. Committee members concerns: The committee talked about the Town contracting with Wells and Associates to evaluate vehicle speeds in the downtown area and provide recommendations given new VA legislation that allows jurisdictions to reduce speed

limits within a business and/or residential district. Evaluate vehicle speeds in the Historic Downtown Leesburg area and provide an engineering report regarding the potential for lowering posted speeds to improve safety. The limits include Liberty Street to the west and Church Street and Harrison Street to the east on Market Street and Loudoun Street. Including North Street to the north and the W&OD Trail to the south on King Street and Harrison Street. The report should be completed in February 2022.

Sargent Ryan Martin talked about a police 2020 list of the highest accident locations in Leesburg. The top 5 locations were as follows:

- 1. E. Market Street and Cardinal Park Drive
- 2. Edwards Ferry Rd and RT. 15 Bypass
- 3. E. Market Street and Battlefield Parkway
- 4. E. Market Street and Prosperity Ave.
- 5. Battlefield Parkway and RT. 15 Bypass

Sandy Grossman asked the committee members to take the Awareity training in the next 60 days. All topics included in the training are relevant to the current threats and risks you may face daily when using an electronic device and Town e-mail. Also, keep in mind that the training can be taken over time. The system will save your progress so you won't need to complete everything in one sitting.

8. Next meeting date is November 1, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m. on motion by Deepan Patel, seconded by Jeff Phillips.