

SASY Committee Report Form

Date of meeting: Nov 26, 2013

Name of Committee: Transportation

Chair: Donna Magdalena

Members: Melanie Foxcroft, Lance Green, Larry Jensen, Anne Walker, Tim Wong

Purpose (goal) of Committee:

The mission of the SASY Transportation Committee is to promote a safe, sustainable, walkable & bikeable, multimodal neighborhood. The committee will work with residents of the SASY neighborhood, SASY businesses, city staff & elected representatives to identify, educate, develop policy and evaluate implementation & results regarding:

- Short & long-range transportation infrastructure needs
- Proposed and planned projects, impacts & issues
- Transportation-related values, priorities and needs of residents & businesses

The committee will serve as the initial consultation for transportation-related design, development, construction & repair in the neighborhood: infrastructure, pedestrian, bicycle, mass-transit, motor vehicle & snow removal. The committee will make recommendations to the SASY Council.

Specific issue(s) to report:

The Transportation Committee's first public meeting was changed to Thursday February 20, 6:30-8:30 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Winnebago Street in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue the redesign work our neighborhood is currently engaged in concerning taxpayer-owned public spaces. The focus of February's meeting will be the streets of our neighborhood and what issues, problems and changes neighbors would like to see.

Pursuant to our neighborhood plan and committee mission, we will address infrastructure needs, values and priorities for our residential streets to increase pedestrian and bicycle safety with traffic calming measures and physical improvements. We will be looking at ways to improve the linkages between neighborhood parks, waterways and rail-trails so they are linked with more park-like neighborhood streets.

Since our neighborhood currently has the attention of the Mayor and city staff in engineering, traffic engineering, planning and economic development, we are attempting to maximize this opportunity of attention, collaboration and possibility for improvements. We have chosen a public meeting format in order to gain input from neighborhood residents about what problems exist and what improvements they would like to see in their immediate neighborhoods.

Prior to the meeting, we will post photo galleries on our website of innovative infrastructure that other communities around the globe have found to be helpful in these regards. At the meeting we will also visually demonstrate various problem-solving ideas that other communities have utilized.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, January 28 in the first floor conference room of the United Way building on Atwood Avenue, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Use the lobby phone and dial 4391 to buzz the room and someone will let you in. Please join us.