

Village of Fairport's CBD Circulation, Accessibility and Parking Study Community Workshop July 21, 2009

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held at the Village Hall. The mayor opened the meeting at 7:08 PM.

People in attendance:

Amy Dake	Debra Tandoi	Ken Moore
Matt Ingalls	Clark King	Bill Walker
John Steinmetz	Monika Salvage	
Fredrick May	Bob Cantwell	
Maureen Chisholm	Tim Keef	
Marvin Kleinberg	Dave Koon	
Christine Heisman	Matt Laurance	
Julie Gotham	Margaret Kerr	
Zak Steele	Brady Meixell	
Sue Steele	Nancy Miffin Schadd	
Chamberlain Rattelade	Andrew Raus	
Kal Wysokowski	Wayne Shipman	

Amy Dake provided team introduction and overview of existing conditions including:

- Traffic volume and speed data
- Pedestrian quality of service
- Pedestrian and bicycle Accidents
- Opportunities for improving pedestrian and bicycle circulation
- Off Street public parking inventory
- On Street parking inventory
- Public lots with a 500' radius shown around each lot

At the conclusion of Amy Dake's presentation, the participants were divided into two groups for a more focused discussion.

I. Liftbridge Lane/Main Street Intersection

a. Motor Vehicle Operations

- Left turns out of Liftbridge Lane east are not a challenge. May be a temporary issue. Many times motorists stop and let you out.
- Left from Parker to Church can be difficult.
- There may be seasonal variations at the intersection of Main & Liftbridge Lane.
- No conflict at Liftbridge Lane W.
- High speed rail may/will impact Fairport due to the need for grade separated crossings.
- Train traffic may be down due to decrease in industrial operations due to national and state economic trends.
- Southbound left from Liftbridge Lane is very difficult.
- Avoid Main St. congestion by using alternative routes with variable message signs.

b. Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety and Wayfinding

- Confusing for pedestrians and bikes as the crosswalk is on the wrong side of the street.
- There needs to be a focus on pedestrians and bikes at the intersection.
- Need to get counts on bikes to justify a bike lane.
- Steps into tunnel make bikes, rollerblades difficult.
- The grade at the corner of Main and Liftbridge Lane is different.

c. Liftbridge Lane West/East Land Use & Design & Parking

- Need to look into shared parking agreements. 4 different lot owners.
- Trail bike/pedestrian linkage needs to be fixed.
- Sight lines at south parking lot access are bad/poor.
- Analyze one-way Liftbridge Lane W. and angled parking.
- Need to install new wayfinding signage which includes parking.
- What is the parking capacity of the parking lot? Redevelopment of the Mill Stone Block, will that require more parking?
- Alley is underutilized, it is private.
- Parking in front of Machettis is dangerous.
- Should install "T" parking on Main Street.
- Rough uneven pavement and trucks are an issue.
- Is there a need for a trailhead at the boat rental?

- Consistent design theme from Liftbridge Lane East to West to show continued road.

d. Is there sufficient parking in this area?

- Creation of public parking is not a solution.
- There is a perception that there is not enough parking.
- Employee staff to park in Packetts Landing lot.
- Fairport Junction should be maximized before parking is created anywhere else.
- Look at Village codes to see if there are any changes that need to be made.
- Education for employees on parking.
- Kiosk in public parking lots.
- Look at parcels as a “whole”.

e. Is it conveniently located?

- There is not a parking problem, it is a walking problem.
- Underground parking or parking garage?
- Underused parking on Liftbridge East.
- There needs to be an improvement between business owners for parking.
- There has been a lot of towing of tenant and employee cars.
- Possible free shuttle?
- Possible valet parking for certain businesses.
- Public connection from canal to Liftbridge Lane.
- Pedestrian bridge over canal from parking lot to Liftbridge. Need public connection to businesses on north side of canal.

2. Village Landing

a. Cut Through Traffic

- Cut through traffic ok, but improve safety.
- Make a through street through the Village Landing parking lot.
- Reconfigure lot so we can avoid the diagonal cut through.
- Do not encourage use of Perrin by cut through.
- Parking spaces at pizza place are safety issue.
- Two parking spaces across from library added within last 4-5 years, they are an issue.

b. Pedestrian crossings at Main Street

- Crossing on foot across Main Street is difficult.
- No pedestrian heads on Main Street.

3. Parker Street Bridge & Signal

a. Pedestrian Crossing On The Bridge

- Entrance from Packett's Landing from Parker
- Improve Pedestrian Connections.

b. Re-Development of the DPW Site

- Will Parker St. handle increased traffic from the development?
- DPW has very narrow road frontage.
- Roundabout at Southern terminus of the bridge.
- Offset intersection at South landing of the bridge.
- Parker Street needs to be redeveloped.

c. Public Waterfront Promenade

- Historic nature of the bridge
- Southbound end of the bridge is steep and slippery in winter. You cannot have a stop bar at the South end of the bridge.

4. Gateway/Four Corners

a. Pedestrian Safety

- Count down signals may allow more people to cross at the Four Corners.
- Pedestrian button is not responsive enough.
- Need longer pedestrian crossing times.

b. Motor Vehicle Operation

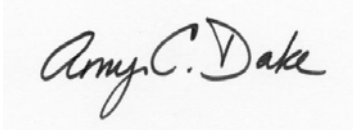
- We need to look at Southbound left turn arrow.
- Southbound RGRTA buses hit the curb turning right on Church.
- Look at coordinating lights at Church & Landing.
- We need to look at shared parking at the Four Corners – priority.
- Hierarchy to intersection with Church & Main St.
- Signal arrows may help.
- Can we have a limit on the High Acres trucks?

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- The intersection used to be a Barnes Dance.
- Can there be a short left turn cycle from Southbound Main to East Church?

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy C. Dake". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'A' and 'D'.

Amy Dake, P.E., PTOE
Senior Traffic Engineer