



Springfield Lions Club: Outreach Summary

MEETING DATE: Monday, February 28th, 2022

LOCATION: Roaring Rapids Pizza Company

TIME: 12-1 pm



In Attendance

Staff

Michael Liebler, City of Springfield

Molly Markarian, City of Springfield

Loralyn Spiro, City of Springfield

Overview and Purpose

This outreach event was held in coordination with the Springfield Lions Club. This engagement fulfills, in part, the Stakeholder Liaison Opportunities outlined in the Main Street Safety Project: Planning Phase Community Engagement & Communications Plan. Eighteen community members were engaged in the outreach process at this event.

The outreach process combined presentation of information with facilitated group discussion. The project was introduced by Molly Markarian, City of Springfield, and discussion was led by City staff.

Outreach Review

The presentation opened with Molly Markarian, City of Springfield, providing a review of the project purpose and safety problem being addressed. She then noted how community input to date informed the development of the draft solution

'toolbox' and recommendations and shared highlights from the draft Facility Plan. Handouts given to participants included Fact Sheet #5 (Misconceptions), Fact Sheet #6 (Draft Facility Plan Recommendations), and presentation slides.

Participants were encouraged to ask questions and were then guided through group discussion by City staff to gain feedback on the draft recommendations. Questions and comments were recorded by hand by staff.

Participant Questions & Comments

- Medians
 - Will the left-hand turns that will be left/not removed be more difficult or dangerous to use?
- Roundabouts
 - For the roundabout by Gateway (Harlow Road/Hayden Bridge/MLK Blvd/Pioneer Parkway), why is the spacing from the roundabout to the pedestrian crossings so close? Will this be the same for the ones on Main Street?
 - Will the roundabouts on Main Street be one or two lanes?
 - Will the roundabouts be super close to each other like the two on Franklin Boulevard?
 - The vegetation for the roundabout at Gateway (HR/HB/MLKB/PP) is too high. Can you keep the vegetation lower on any new ones?
 - How will oversized trucks be accommodated on Main Street if there are roundabouts?
 - Can you make signage for roundabouts bigger and easier to see from a distance?
- Project Process
 - Several participants thanked City staff for the presentation and noted that it was easy to understand.