

**ANN ARBOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 16, 2020**

Place: Virtual Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82482609900> or by Phone: 1-877-853-5257 Meeting ID: 824 8260 9900 Passcode: 584472

Time: 11:00 am

Committee Present: Tyler Kinley, Jessica A.S. Letaw, Molly McFarland, Darren McKinnon

Committee Absent: Micah Bartelme, Alex Dieck

Other DDA Present: None

Staff: Maura Thomson, Amber Miller, Liz Rolla, Jada Hahlbrock, Sara McCallum, Susan Pollay, Kelley Graves

Others Present: Oliver Kiley/SmithGroup

Public: Members of the public were on the Zoom meeting but did not identify themselves.

Virtual Meeting Guidelines: Ms. McFarland outlined the guidelines for electronic meetings.

Downtown Pilot Projects: Ms. Miller and Mr. Kiley presented the results of the Healthy Streets Pilot Projects. Key findings, both successes and challenges, were reviewed. The projects measurably improved safety, access, and non-motorized use. Polarization within the community was a challenge noted. Some of the key lessons learned include recognizing temporary measures are not as effective as permanent implementations, the use of construction barrels and cones can be confusing and not intuitive, speeds needs to be further reduced, and community engagement needs to be broadened with a focus on a shared understanding of community values. The project goals to increase physical distancing and COVID-19 safety, reinforce DDA core values for street projects and inform future design/projects were met. Questions were asked and answered.

People Friendly Streets Phase 2: Public outreach to begin in March.

First and Ashley Construction: Ms. Miller said Staff and the design team are working towards a March 15-July 15 construction timeline. Outreach to building owners pre-pandemic regarding underground vault filling was well received. Staff understands when they reach back out, that owners' circumstances may have changed due to the current environment. Adjustments to the project scope will be made as needed, should some building owners choose not to fill in their vaults at this time.

Projects Updates: Ms. Rolla reported work on 1st Street has been buttoned up for the winter.

Public Comment: None.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Maura Thomson, Interim Executive Director