

Old Town Improvements Plan Update

August 2019 Update

Hillside Tier 1 – Winter 2018 through Spring 2019 (adopted by Council)

1. Wayfinding signs – **In Progress, Partially Completed**
 - a. Main/Swede, Heber/SR-224, and SR-224/Hillside Avenue
 - b. Coordinating w/ UDOT on required encroachment requirements
 - c. **PCMC finalizing sign design now – verbiage and size must comply with UDOT standards**
 - d. Blue “parking” sign at bottom of Daly removed March 2019
2. Main & Swede Intersection Improvements - **Completed April 2019**
 - a. Main and Swede Intersection Improvements
 - b. Southbound Stop Sign
 - c. High Visibility ADA Crosswalks
 - d. Bulb Out at Main and Swede
 - e. Parking and wayfinding signage for light pole near Grappa
3. Clearing Brush at Heber and SR-224 for Visibility – **Completed July 2019**
4. Striping Fog Line to Narrow Hillside – **Completed July 2019**
5. Installation of Removable Speed Bump at Hillside and Prospect – **Completed July 2019**
 - a. Completed summer 2018
 - b. Reinstalled again in summer 2019, as a temporary measure pending further consideration of:
 - i. A permanent exaggerated drainage swale (rather than speed bump) is scoped for construction this fall. Included in Horrock’s scope.
 - ii. A permanent crosswalk could be discussed for Marsac and Hillside, but is not currently planned.
6. Updating Traffic Mobile Apps for Navigation – **Partially Completed**
 - a. While somewhat out of PCMC control, WAZE app has been modified (by UDOT State Manager) to deprioritize Hillside. Not absolute solutions as there are instances when the app will override if Hillside is the fastest route. We made no progress with Google Maps.
7. Lodging Meetings to discuss Shuttle routing – **In Progress/Ongoing**
 - a. Lodging Association provided a list of action items they are willing to participate in to help reduce vehicle trips and mitigate congestion
 - b. A robust and productive conversation with Lodging and HPCA about drop and load areas led to the agreement on some pilot locations on Main Street to implement
8. Residential Area Signs – **Completed May 2019**
 - a. Bottom of Hillside Sign installed May 2019
 - b. Top Hillside Sign installed May 2019

Hillside Tier 2 - Spring through Summer 2019 (not officially adopted by Council)

1. Installation of Permanent Traffic Counters – **Completed**
 - a. Installed on Hillside Avenue prior to peak winter season and Sundance/FIS 2019
2. Police Enforcement – **Completed/Ongoing**
 - a. Speed limit is enforceable due to installation of speed limit signs
 - b. Enforcement of double parking has been increased
 - c. PD completed outreach and training with larger upper DV lodging properties.
3. Temporary Trolley Turnaround at Bottom of Hillside - **In Progress**
 - a. Scheduled to be installed in Fall 2019
 - i. Conceptual design and cost estimates prepared mid-August
 - ii. This design will be coupled with strong wayfinding signage to direct visitors back down to Main Street instead of up through Hillside and Daly Avenues

Summer 2019 – Transportation Mitigation & Circulation Summer 19 Projects

1. Traffic Micro-Simulation Study – **Completed June 2019**
 - a. Counts were conducted in May at the following locations to give us a more comprehensive and holistic look at potential impacts to Old Town as a whole:
 - iii. Heber Ave
 - iv. Upper Hillside
 - v. Roundabout on Marsac
 - vi. Lower Main
 - b. Study recommended on three tactics to help with traffic mitigation as it pertains to Hillside Ave, please see Appendix C for details.
2. 5th Street Curb Cuts - **In Progress**
 - a. Conceptual design and cost estimate underway
 - b. To be constructed Fall 2019
3. 4th Street Sidewalks and Directional Change - **In Progress Completed mid-August 2019**
 - a. Temporary treatment with planters and paint, completed August 2019
 - b. Permanent One Way signage installed
4. Curbside Drop and Load on Main Street - **In Progress**
 - a. In partnership with Lodging and HPCA, two curbside drop and load locations will be tested, beginning Fall 2019:
 - i. A sticker will denote vehicles able to use the curbside locations from 5-11pm (or other time deemed appropriate) and the driver must stay in vehicle
 - ii. The locations *could* be signed 15 min parking during the day/off peak times
 - iii. Lodging indicated that the east side of Main be utilized, and pilot locations include:
 1. Brew Pub, Chimayos/JavaCow, and the Post Office
5. Conceptual Design and Cost Estimate for Pedestrian Walkway on Hillside - **In Progress**
 - a. Staff is exploring the addition of a covered walkway along Hillside Avenue that utilizes the space between the two retaining walls on the northwest side of the roadway.
 - b. This infrastructure would remove any potential vehicular/pedestrian conflicts.
 - c. Cost estimates will drive this project; it could be constructed as early as spring 2020.
 - d. Crash/violation data doesn't indicate an immediate safety issue (conflict between pedestrians and vehicles). The pedestrian component of the current Hillside Avenue, which was steps down to the park below, was deferred from the project due to a cost of \$750,000. However, staff finds a pedestrian walkway between the retaining walls on the south/west side of the street may help alleviate strain on the roadway and provide ped refuge.
6. Cost Estimate for Widening of Hillside Avenue- **In Progress**
 - a. To better understand the impacts of widening Hillside Avenue, a high-level conceptual design will be conducted to determine the costs of widening to 30 feet.
7. Codifying Commercial Vehicles - **In Progress**

- a. Business Licensing is working on a tiered approach to identifying and addressing commercial vehicles. This could allow different levels of regulation and requirements based on vehicle type.
8. Artistic and Safe Crosswalk Design- **In Progress**
- a. Staff will have artistic pedestrian crossing design with approved materials recommended by an engineer, with the intent to implement in various locations in Old Town in 2020.

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