

# Society of Ceres Meeting Minutes

## Meeting Information

<b>Date</b> 1/10/2022	<b>Location</b> Belle Meade City Hall Conference Room
<b>Time</b> 5:30-7:30 PM	<b>Address</b> 4705 Harding Road

## Invitees

Committee Members				City Representation	
Carolyn Sorenson	Jackie Bellar	Lisa Ellis	Peter Grimaldi	Jim Hunt	
Carter Dawson	Jill Debona	Martha Phipps		Lyle Patterson	
Gavin Duke	Laura Katherine Wood	Michael Dixon		Beth Reardon	

## Agenda

Topic	Discussion Items	Notes
<b>Admin</b>	Action Items from previous meetings	No Action Items
<b>Discussion Items</b>	Financials	<p><b>TAEP Grant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a grant due in June. Will need to use areas that can have large-canopy trees</li> </ul> <p><b>TREE CITY USA APPLICATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Now that we have a Tree Ordinance in place as well as a long-term plan, will apply for TCA status</li> </ul>
	Commissioner Meeting Update	<p><b>November and December Commissioner Meeting Recap</b></p> <p><b>Commissioner Response to Ceres Demonstration Medians:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Option A – Sidewalks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Commissioners felt the the existing crosswalk should be used in the demo project rather than having people cross through the end of the median, even though having a crosswalk through the end of the median is what is shown in the Master Plan</li> <li>› They liked the idea of using pavers to simulate the sidewalk</li> <li>› They also felt the sidewalk on the East Brookfield side in front of the Wiegel’s property should extend all the way across the front of the property</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Option B – Traffic Diverters/Transitions only</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Pedestrians continue to use the pavement along the edge of the medians as a walking path</li> <li>› Commissioners feel pedestrians using the pavement next to the medians is not safe and will not be any safer by adding transitions. They do not want to demonstrate this option because it does not improve pedestrian safety</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Option C - Meandering path through the median with transitions/diverters at either end of median</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› The Commissioners liked how this looked and liked the idea of making the path out of pavers</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Signage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Commissioners really liked the signage</li> <li>› Haley Dale would like to recommend changes to the wording and font size</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="color: red;">DECISION: We have one shot to make a statement to teh community and show how beautiful the Boulevard can be. Will ask Gavin and Peter to design enhancements, both a high end and low end of price. Also have questions for commissioners - what is lifespan of demonstration medians (1 month? 3 months? 6 months?)</p> <p style="color: blue;">ACTION ITEM: Peter, Gavin and LK to walk Median and discuss options for Demonstration median</p>

	Committee Updates	<b>Education Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will create writing schedule for 2022 in February meeting</li> </ul> <b>Planting Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Planting meeting with LSI to happen in next few weeks</li> </ul>
	Membership Updates	<b>ACTION ITEM:</b> LK to talk to Jim re: potential candidates
	Other Discussion Items	No items
<b>Action Items</b>	Peter, Gavin and LK to walk Median and discuss options for Demonstration median LK to talk to Jim re: potential candidates again	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	February 14, 2022 at City Hall	



