

**DES MOINES TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**FEBRUARY 13, 2024**

**AGENDA**

Agenda for the Des Moines Transportation Safety Committee scheduled for 7:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 13, 2024, in the Board Room at the Municipal Service Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 1551 E Martin Luther King Jr Parkway.

**Transportation Safety Committee Rules and Procedures**

1. The Transportation Safety Committee is an advisory body to the City Council.
2. Staff will be given time to present the background on each item.
3. Guests are then allowed to speak, with each speaker allowed a maximum of 5 minutes.
4. All comments are to be germane to the issue under consideration and speakers are to maintain a courteous manner.
5. The audio of this meeting will be recorded.

***CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM***

***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

***OLD BUSINESS***

1. Approval of November 2023 Minutes

***NEW BUSINESS***

1. Thomas Beck Road Improvements – Bancroft Street to SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street
2. Update on Vision Zero Transportation Safety Action Plan

***ADJOURNMENT***

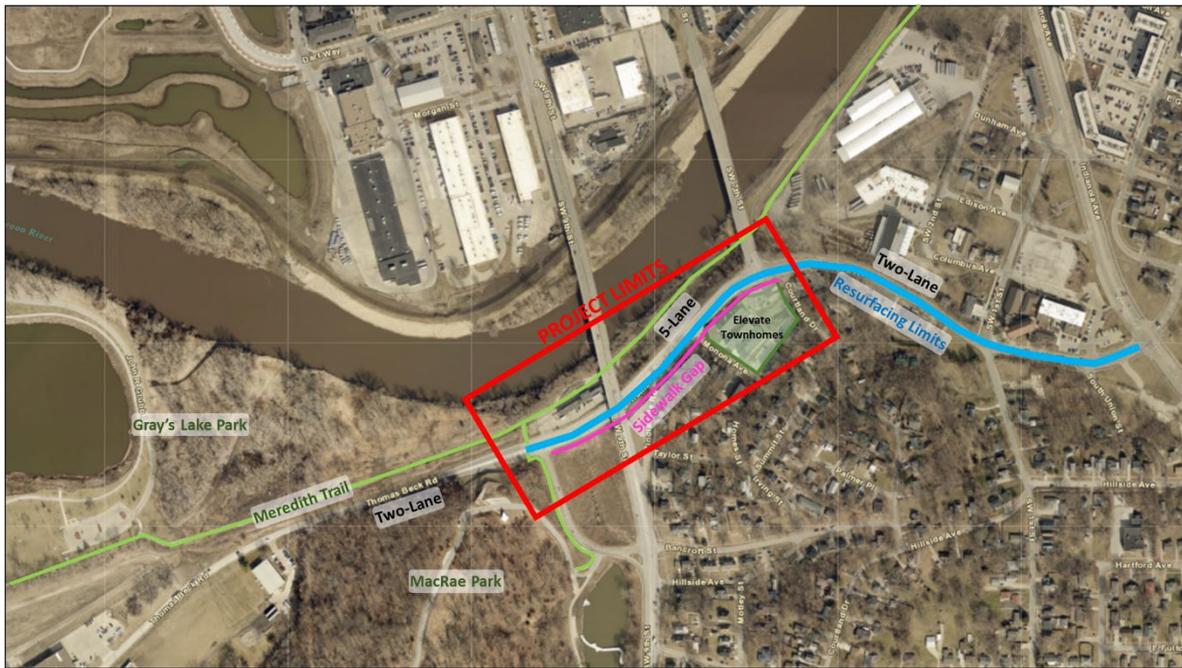
***NEXT MEETING***

Thursday, March 21, 2024 – Regular Meeting

**ITEM #1:** Thomas Beck Road Improvements – Bancroft Street to SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street

**BACKGROUND:**

The [Southwest Infrastructure and Planning Study](#) was completed in February 2022. This study was initiated to determine future roadway improvements on the southwest side of Des Moines. The study recommended reducing Thomas Beck Road from 5-lanes to 3-lanes between Bancroft Street and SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street as well as creating a connection to the existing trail system. Currently, Thomas Beck Road is a two-lane street to the west and east. In addition to the recommendations in the Southwest Infrastructure and Planning Study, Thomas Beck Road is planned for street resurfacing in 2024. Below is a map showing the extents of the project.



Along with street resurfacing, this project will move the existing curbs in to reduce the number of lanes from 5-lanes to 3-lanes. This project will also include the construction of a 5-foot-wide sidewalk on the south side of the street to connect SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street to the McRae Park Trail Spur/Meredith Trail.

This project is planned for design this spring and will be bid for construction in April. Construction is expected from May to December of this year. In addition to the public outreach as part of the Southwest Infrastructure and Planning Study, this project was presented at the Coalition of Southside Neighborhoods Quarterly Meeting on January 29, 2024.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of the recommended improvements proposed with the Thomas Beck Road Improvement Project.