

Discussion Of Potential 2013 PBSB CIP Projects

The following are my thoughts about potential fiscal year 2013 CIP projects for PBSB. This is being written to begin our Budget discussions and to encourage members to think about their own CIP priorities.

Crosswalks

- If we build more crosswalks, we should do them in conjunction with any being done by the Foundation.
- Since the Foundation is only starting to consider the redesign of the Commons, and since they will do that work after any work on the Community Center, I don't expect the Foundation to be ready to build a crosswalk at the Commons before 2013, if then.
- When we do decide to build PBSB crosswalks, I personally would do:
 - Myra Daniels & PBB based on its high traffic.
 - North Pointe Drive & PBB, for consistency with others on PBB.
 - I also think this location should include the granite cobbles, to be consistent with other crosswalks where there are not stop signs.
- I personally would NOT do:
 - The two more proposed on Gulf Park Drive, since we have heard little from residents encouraging these 2 crosswalks.
 - Crayton Road & PBB, since it is very close to Myra Daniels and I think redundant.

Widening Pathways

- We are scheduled to widen to 8 feet the first segment on the west side of PBB from the Commons to North Tram Station.
- I would wait for resident and Board reactions in the 2012/2013 Season before formally deciding to do additional areas.
- Nonetheless I would include the widening of the remainder of the west side of PBB into the 2013 PBSB Budget, with the final decision to be made during the 2012/2013 Season and scheduled for spring/summer 2013.

Landscaping

- I think we should continue rebuilding our PBB landscaping as resources and staff time allow.
- Staff should be asked for their recommendations regarding:
 - Potential locations, &
 - Possible timing.
- If possible, more rebuilding should occur in spring/summer 2012 (this year's budget).
- And each year thereafter.

2012 PBSB Budget

Combining all the thoughts above, I think we should build the following CIP items into the 2013 PBSB Budget.

- Two crosswalks at Myra Daniels/PBB and North Pointe Drive/PBB, assuming the Foundation is ready to do their crosswalk(s).
- Widening the remainder of the pathways on the west side of PBB to 8 feet.
- Continuing rebuilding PBB landscaping, as recommended by staff.
- And continuing funding for the Street Light replacements at the same level as 2012.

It is my hope that this discussion will trigger further discussions about possible CIP priorities first among Budget Committee members, and then among the full PBSB Board.