

Brookings Transportation Steering Committee
February 23, 2015

The Brookings Transportation Steering Committee meeting was held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2015 at Brookings City & County Government Center with the following members present: Keith Corbett, Daryl Englund, Jason Harms, Jacob Mills, Michael Bartley, Les Rowland, Bob Hill and Al Baker. Jim Morgan was absent. Others present included: City Manager Jeff Weldon, Community Development Director Mike Struck and Communications Specialist Laurie Carruthers. Chair Corbett called the meeting to order at 2:59 p.m.

Approval of minutes. A motion was made by Hill, seconded by Englund, to approve the January 12, 2015 minutes. All present voted yes, motion carried.

Continued discussion of the 20th Street South interchange/overpass project.

Englund explained the Department of Transportation revised policy statement regarding access to federal interstate system. Committee members discussed the meeting with SDDOT Representative Joel Jundt and reviewed Weldon's notes from the meeting. Weldon advised that there is no city budget in 2015 for this project.

Discussions pursued regarding the state's involvement with an overpass versus interchange, the county's involvement, the possibility of STIP funding, the likelihood of the 6th Street construction postponing the 20th Street South project and the potential next steps for an interstate justification report. The overall consensus of the committee members and public is favorable to an interchange versus an overpass.

A motion was made by Hill, seconded by Baker to recommend the City Council proceed with the first portion (needs assessment) of the Interstate Justification Report. All present voted yes; motion carried.

Corbett advised the 20th Street South recommendation will likely be on the March 24th City Council Agenda.

Schedule next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2015 at 3:00 pm. Weldon will invite Secretary Bergquist to the meeting.

Other business. Harms asked if there was any action required on the Main to Medary project. Weldon advised that unless the City Council requests additional information from the committee, there is no further action needed.

Adjourn. A motion was made by Baker, seconded by Harms to adjourn. All present voted yes; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Submitted by Laurie Carruthers.