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TITLE:

Update on Pedestrian Safety Improvement Projects

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to provide the Board of Aldermen an update on the status and timeline of various pedestrian safety improvement projects as they are implemented throughout town.

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INFORMATION: Town staff have prepared an update on the current status and timeline of pedestrian safety projects around town. These projects have been identified over the past several years from a variety of sources including citizen comments, the Transportation Advisory Board, and direction provided by the Board of Aldermen. Tonight's update focuses on the major projects along arterials roads, most of which fall along NCDOT maintained facilities and as such will require the Town to receive approval from and encroachment agreements with NCDOT in order to construct the desired improvements.

Projects have been assigned to one of five categories:

NCDOT as lead agency- these projects include crosswalk or pavement marking enhancements which, pending approval, may be installed by NCDOT alongside their ADA Ramp improvements or as a part of a future resurfacing project.

- Locations on W. Main Street: at Poplar Avenue and at High Street
- E Weaver Street at E Main Street
- Jones Ferry Road at Bim Street
- Locations on N. Greensboro Street: at Williams Street, at Robert Hunt Drive, at Pine Street, at Bolin Forest Drive, at Hillsborough Road

Town as lead agency/receiving funding as part of a larger bike-ped infrastructure project through the STIP (State Transportation Improvement Program).

• South Greensboro Street

Town as lead agency/seeking funding - 6 projects -those projects with a significant cost component which must be addressed before moving forward. These projects would also require encroachment agreements to be approved by NCDOT if the Town were to construct them.

- W Main Street: at Hillsborough Road and at W Weaver Street
- Jones Ferry Road at W Main Street
- N Greensboro Street at Shelton Street

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- Homestead Road at Claremont
- NC HWY 54 at Westbrook Drive

Town as lead agency/vetting - 2 projects - those projects currently being analyzed for feasibility in order to determine how to best move forward.

- Hillsborough Road at High Street/Cheek Street
- Carr Mill Mall Commercial Driveways

Town as lead agency/In Design - W Main Street @ Ashe Street has design work underway.

There are other projects which have not been included in this report, but for which Town staff are working identify implementation strategies.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There is no fiscal or staff impact to receive the update.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board of Aldermen receive the update.