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#### **MEETING MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** 2/12/13

**Subject**: Mishawaka ADA SETP Public Health and Safety (PHS) Committee and Public

Meeting

Following the first reading at the Mishawaka Common Council, the report was assigned to Public Health and Safety Committee. The Committee held their meeting on February 12, 2013. This meeting was open to the public (please see attached sign in sheet for the attendees).

Mr. Mammolenti opened the meeting at 6:30 PM. Mr. West gave an introduction to the project and introduced Mr. Metzer of DLZ, who gave the presentation. The presentation included information on the ADA, the Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan process, and the findings of the completed City of Mishawaka right-of-way evaluation.

The following comments were made at the meeting:

• A question was asked regarding the absence of the sidewalk along Grape Road. Further it was mentioned that the Town and Country Mall is very accessible with sidewalks present to access multiple stores in the same area.

Response: Grape Road is a high traffic, driving-focused commercial corridor. It has multiple commercial driveways which have high Average Daily Traffic. Developments are not set up to accommodate access from the public right-of-way to their store fronts. Introducing pedestrian activity in this corridor is not considered safe.

• A comment was made that the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Church Street is in bad condition and needs replacement.

Response: A public infrastructure project is being planned that includes new curb ramps and sidewalks around this intersection.

• A comment was made that the existing sidewalk along Lincolnway West to the Hacienda restaurant is broken up and failing.

Response: The identified location will be inspected, however, this is portion of road right-of-way is not under City of Mishawaka jurisdiction

• A question was asked regarding the responsibility of sidewalks on railroad R/W.

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Response: It is the railroad's responsibility.

 A question was asked regarding the responsibility of keeping the grass trimmed around the sidewalks

Response: Code Enforcement is the agency who can get this enforced.

 A question was asked if there is an ADA requirement for areas when there are no sidewalks.

Response: There is no legislation that requires installation of sidewalks in the areas where there is no existing sidewalk.

In his closing statement, Mr. West said that the collected data will be geo-referenced in the City GIS. This will help the City to keep an updated record of the progress that has been made. Also this identifies the high priority areas during the project planning process. Every effort will be made to correct the identified deficiencies in the report on an annual basis.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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Client: City of Mishawaka Purp

Date of Meeting: February 12, 2013

Location of Meeting: Mishawaka Fire Station # 4 3000 East Harrison Road Mishawaka, IN 46615

Purpose of Meeting: Public Information Meeting

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