

## **Routes 5&20 Corridor Study Meeting Minutes**

### **Residents Discussion Group June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

Attendees:

Tara Boggio, Facilitator  
George Gotcsik  
Robert Burns  
Marty Mahody  
Al Witt  
Jeffery Smith  
Carol Altemus  
Deanna/John McKelvey

Jane Mason  
Steve Holdsworth  
Marty Wheeler  
Douglas Baker  
Amy Klausner  
Sarah MacIntyre  
Sean Fagan

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#### ***Safety / Traffic***

- Need safe access to pedestrian and bicycle areas that are set back from road
- Need common access points (common drive) for businesses
- Too much traffic already
- There are a lot of repeat trips within villages – no one walks to their destination
- The bid trucks create a lot of noise and dirt
- Trucks need to be better monitored for speed
- Police are in predictable places
- Speeds need to be lowered as approaching villages/hamlets
- Many areas of poor sight distance which makes speeds even more unreasonable
- The passing zones may need to be shortened b/c inappropriate in some areas
- Oakmount & 5&20 – very poor sight distance
- South Ave & 5&20 – multiple accidents at this location
- Need access control along entire corridor
- Need “natural” traffic calming such as trees, curves in road, narrowing roads, etc. Just reducing speed limit isn’t going to change anything.
- Make crosswalks stand out more – change the color/texture of crosswalk areas

### *Aesthetics / Viewshed / Character*

- Buffer industrial uses – set back off road
- Improve building facades of buildings
- Need improved landscaping
- Signage – business signs should be personalized yet have some standards
- The amount of illumination of some business signs/parking lighting is unreasonable and unsafe – can impair drivers at night b/c its so bright
- “Beautiful Spot” in West Bloomfield (on Route 65) but no pathway to it
- Need clear identification and method of protection for viewsheds
- On 5&20 between West Bloomfield and Lima, there is a high spot where you can see City lights at night.
- Eliminate billboards
- Preserve the diverse character of corridor – like mix of uses, but want overall rural character
- Most are willing to pay for agricultural preservation

### *Other*

- Need a better drug/grocery store near Bloomfield – nothing open 24 hours (but could cause light pollution problems)
- Poor drainage along corridor (especially in v. Bloomfield) causing landscape to change
- Improved standards for parking, landscaping, signage – however concern that small start-up business couldn't afford such standards – could town/county assist as a business incentive?
- Need better enforcement of zoning/codes
- Poor land use transitions – no buffer