

Willow Road Public Meeting #1

Identified Transportation Needs

Introduction

The Community Advisory Group (CAG) members have identified key Transportation Needs for Willow Road for the five elements of Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS): Safety, Community, Environment, Usability, and Multimodalism. IDOT and the CAG will use this information to develop the Problem Statement and create the project Purpose and Need.

The CAG members strived to answer the Key Question below. The following lists are a summary of the needs identified by the CAG for each CSS element. The items listed refer to broader issues raised by the CAG and are listed in no particular order or priority. The CAG member responses are available on the project website. Please visit the main room to view the information and discuss the CAG members' ideas for the five transportation needs categories.

Key Question:

What are the key transportation needs for Willow Road from a local and/or regional perspective?



COMMUNITY



Definition:

A group of people having common interests or living in a particular area. These include social, cultural, recreational, business/commercial, or governmental interests, and land use.

- Traffic Signals and Signage
- Turn Lanes
- School Zones/Safety
- Bikes and Walkability
- Aesthetics
- Regional Planning
- Community Cohesion
- Regional Access (Edens and SRA)
- Central Business District Impacts/Access
- Local Access
- Flooding

SAFETY



Definition:

Relates to compliance of the transportation facility with State and Federal standards, warrants, guidelines and sanctioned design procedures.

- Children/Pedestrian Crossing
- School Zones
- Bicycle
- Roadway Design
- Signal Timing/Pedestrian Crossing Time
- Traffic Congestion
- Turning Lanes
- Road and Driveway Access Management/Planning



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ENVIRONMENT



Definition:

The surrounding social, cultural and natural conditions affecting the nature of an individual or community.

- Community Cohesion
- Maintenance and Planting of Trees/Landscaping
- Open Space
- Water Quality
- Flooding
- Air Pollution
- Noise
- Driveability



USABILITY



Definition:

The ability to go from Point A to Point B. The local and regional movement of all traffic, motorized and non-motorized, on an intact and operative facility.

- Business Access
- Signal Timing Improvements
- Regional and Interstate Access
- Willow/Edens Interchange
- Waukegan Road
- Local Sidestreet Access Limitations or Closures
- Vehicle Congestion
- No Vehicle Congestion
- Additional Turn Lanes
- 3-Lane Improvement Plan
- Community Cohesion
- Bikes and Pedestrians

MULTIMODALISM



Definition:

Includes all modes of transportation for a complete transportation system.

- Bike and Pedestrian Facilities
- Central Business District – Freight Accommodations
- Pull Outs for Cars and Buses
- Wayfinding Signing/Buffers/Separation
- Edens Access/Regional Improvements/More Lanes
- Train Station/Transit Access
- Build a Pedestrian/Bicycle Tunnel or Overpass Crossing
- Crossing Amenities (Crossing Guards, School Speed Limits, School Zones)
- Improve Traffic Flow/Turn Lanes
- Improve Co-Existence of Transportation Modes



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