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Mayor Taylor/CM Warpehoski/CM Smith:

I'm writing in response to our ongoing conversations about speeding on 7th Street. As we've discussed, staff has requested and received recommendations for near, intermediate, and long term options that will help to address the neighborhood concerns. The options below have been identified in our consultant's report:

Near Term Recommendations that can be put in place this year:

1. Install additional speed limit signs at several locations:
 - a. Potter (NB & SB)
 - b. Between Princeton and Davis (SB)
 - c. North of Jefferson Court (SB)
 - d. North and South of Willow
2. Install "SPEED REDUCTION 25" warning signs in both directions in advance of change in speed limit location between Liberty and Huron.
3. Install gateway treatments at various locations:
 - a. Crosswalk north of Snyder
 - b. Crosswalk north of Franklin
 - c. Crosswalk south of Princeton
 - d. Crosswalk north of Lutz
 - e. Crosswalk south of Bath
 - f. Crosswalk north of Willow

Mid Term – these recommendations can ideally be done in 2018 as part of, or subsequent to, the pavement capital preventive maintenance and buffered bike lane project:

1. Place speed limit pavement markings on 7th Street at various locations:
 - a. Pauline
 - b. Stadium
 - c. Liberty
 - d. Miller
 - e. Huron
2. Install radar speed signs on northbound 7th just north of Stadium.

Longer term – these improvements represent substantial capital investments and should be incorporated into the City’s CIP process for evaluation and prioritization. They will also require substantial public engagement as they require potential tradeoffs between potentially competing priorities (crosswalks, bike lanes, tree planting, et al).

1. Construction of median islands at various locations:
 - a. South of Davis
 - b. South of Keppler Court
 - c. North of Murray Court

2. Construction of a mini-roundabout at the intersection of 7th and Madison.

We also need to remember that engineering/infrastructure measures alone are not sufficient to address speeding, nor will placing a stop sign at a location that does not meet the MUTCD warrants. We will focus additional enforcement efforts along the corridor, and increase education efforts through the A2 Be Safe campaign and the Public Schools Traffic Safety Committee. Neighborhood participation is also important, as in many cases most of the violations are committed by local residents.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance.

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