Appendix D

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENTS

A draft Transition Plan was made available at the City of Brentwood Service Center for public review and comment and public comments were invited at a City Commission meeting. The availability of the report and a request for comments were published on several social media outlets, a local on-line news website and on the City of Brentwood website. All public comments received are included here in Appendix D. Any future input received will be incorporated during updates and included in this section of the Appendix.
From: Mike Harris

Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 11:00 AM

To: Harris, Mike; Booker, Jamielea

Subject: Re: ADA Public Input / Action Form

I have a daughter with borderline intellectual disabilities who will not be a driver. Transportation is such a setback for her as she is so dependent on either myself or Uber or Lyft. We would love to see something like a Trolley system that Franklin has in the Brentwood area to increase independence and to make the community more accessible to these kids. &nbsp; &lt;mike.harris@brentwoodtn.gov&gt;

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ADA Public Input / Action Form

Date: 11-05-2019

Name: Trudy Johnson

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City: Brentwood
State / Province: TN
Postal / Zip Code: 37027

Phone Number

Best time to reach you

Email: johnson.trudy@me.com

Issue / Concern

I have a daughter with borderline intellectual disabilities who will not be a driver. Transportation is such a setback for her as she is so dependent on either myself or Uber or Lyft. We would love to see something like a Trolley system that Franklin has in the Brentwood area to increase independence and to make the community more accessible to these kids.

Location of concern
Trudy,

Thank you for your email. Unfortunately I do not foresee Brentwood having a trolley or transit system as there simply isn't the ridership in this community to support such a service. Who’s to say what could happen in the future, but to be honest I do not expect to see anything like that in the near future. You might look into some government sponsored transportation programs such as the Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency, which Brentwood supports. Here’s a link to their website: https://www.gnrc.org/221/Transportation-Services

I hope this is helpful and I really appreciate you taking the time to respond.

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood
Harris, Mike

From:
1 - I'm very concerned with the new "STEM" building on the BMS/BHS property. The ADA access to get around it is very limiting - only 1 path on the east side is ADA accessible, yet there is a walkway on the other side (on the BMS side) which only has around 5 steps. Why was no ADA-compliant walkway developed on the BMS side of the "STEM" building? Why put in 5 steps when a slightly different path or redoing the grading along the pathway would have resulted in No Steps on <mike.harris@brentwo.otdn.gov>

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Tuesday, November 5, 2019 11:47 AM

To:
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Date 11-05-2019

Name Charlotte Wallenfang

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State / Province: TN
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Phone Number (615) 473-1205

Best time to reach you 10:00 AM

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Issue / Concern 1 - I'm very concerned with the new "STEM" building on the BMS/BHS property. The ADA access to get around it is very limiting - only 1 path on the east side is ADA accessible, yet there is a walkway on the other side (on the BMS side) which only has around 5 steps. Why was no ADA-compliant walkway developed on the BMS side of the "STEM" building? Why put in 5 steps when a slightly different path or redoing the grading along the pathway would have resulted in No Steps on that side?

2 - It is also my understanding that no adult bathrooms are in the "STEM" building. So if an ADA-requiring adult (or any adult for that matter) needed to use the bathroom, they have to make their way out of the building and over to either the
BHS or BMS main building in order to use the bathroom.
I realize this is not directly related, but I also must mention that it is my understanding that the STEM building has no hot water (which as a result cannot ever be used for chemistry... what logic is it to call it a STEM building when it wasn't built with the ability to be effectively used to teach chemistry?)
3 - The sidewalk behind the football building at BHS has no built-in drains to accommodate rain water. The gutters drain directly onto the sidewalk creating a serious danger to anyone using the sidewalk, since it is often slippery as a result. The water causes mold/mildew/slimes to grow on the sidewalk in warm weather, and in cold weather the sidewalk gets very icy, which is dangerous for everyone but particularly for those who are less steady on their feet, or use canes, walkers or wheelchairs. Other buildings have covered metal channels mounted into and flush with the sidewalk, which carry the rainwater from the gutter to the parking lot. But this building does not. (And of course the concrete in this area will also wear away much faster due to this.)

Location of concern

Points 1 & 2: BMS/BHS "STEM" building Point 3
The building behind BHS alongside the "new" parking lot recently built where the old Football practice lot used to be.
Charlotte,

Thank you for your email. I’m not sure of the source of the information on the STEM building, but I would urge you to take that up with Williamson County Schools. The city has limited power when it comes to school operations/facilities. I have found them to be very responsive and hopefully they can clarify some of those issues for you. Not trying to pass the buck, but our efforts are aimed at City of Brentwood owned and operated facilities. Thank you again for your email.

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood
I am deaf and can not hear emergency warning horns. I also am visually impaired but not totally blind and would like to see these disabilities addressed in our community. Also after spending so much to widen Franklin road, I hope we will have warnings at crossings for disabled at the lights. Thank you.

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To: Harris, Mike; Booker, Jamielee
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Date 11-05-2019
Name Sherry Thompson
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Phone Number (615) 3305981
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Issue / Concern I am deaf and can not hear emergency warning horns. I also am visually impaired but not totally blind and would like to see these disabilities addressed in our community. Also after spending so much to widen Franklin road, I hope we will have warnings at crossings for disabled at the lights. Thank you.
Location of concern 5128 Prince phillip cove

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Sherry,

Thank you for your email. Are talking about the storm warning sirens? Please clarify so I can better address your concern. On the signals, we have plans to install Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) at all our signals over a period of time. I cannot speak specifically about Franklin Road as that is a State project, but we will be doing all of Brentwood going forward! Thanks again for your email!

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood
From: Crockett Road at Raintree Forest. The bike path does not connect to the bike path that starts at Wilson Pike. It ends just after the Witherspoon development. There is no safe way to go from Raintree Forest to Wilson Pike by bicycle or in a wheelchair.
<mike.harris@brentwoodtn.gov>
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Date 11-05-2019
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State / Province: TN
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Issue / Concern Crockett Road at Raintree Forest. The bike path does not connect to the bike path that starts at Wilson Pike. It ends just after the Witherspoon development. There is no safe way to go from Raintree Forest to Wilson Pike by bicycle or in a wheelchair.
Location of concern Raintree Forest and Crockett Road
Christina,

Thank you very much for your email. There is actually a plan to connect the trail in Raintree near the pool area over the creek to a trail in Witherspoon. We have a meeting later this month with the engineering firm to begin design. The section of Witherspoon where the trail will connect has not been built yet, but by the time we get the trail constructed it will be. So, that will give you access to a lot more trail connections including Crockett Park and Wilson Pike. Again, thank you for your email.

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood
From: Harris, Mike

Sidewalks and some businesses with outdated accessibility. I would like to encourage Brentwood to take a very proactive approach to ADA compliance. Starting first with those issues and buildings over which Brentwood has direct control. Like sidewalks, parks, and local government buildings. Then reach out to businesses and facilities in Brentwood with inspections to help them know what can be better. This should include schools. See below for examples.

Thank you. <mike.harris@brentwoodtn.gov>

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Date 11-05-2019
Name Richard Acree
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City: Brentwood
State / Province: TN
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Phone Number (615) 7520060
Best time to reach you 2:00 PM
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Issue / Concern Sidewalks and some businesses with outdated accessibility. I would like to encourage Brentwood to take a very proactive approach to ADA compliance. Starting first with those issues and buildings over which Brentwood has direct control. Like sidewalks, parks, and local government buildings. Then reach out to businesses and facilities in Brentwood with inspections to help them know what can be better. This should include schools. See below for examples. Thank you.

Location of concern Sidewalks in general. An example is the light post at the corner of Franklin Road and Harpeth Drive, north corner. Some smaller businesses in general. An example is the pooled water in the
accessible parking, the ramp to the main entry, and the door to the Men’s Room at the Juice Bar at 128 Pewitt Dr. As an ADA building compliance inspector, I see examples frequently where ADA compliance can be much better. Other general issues include uneven surfaces in walkways and the Post Office accessible parking. I know the Post Office is a federal facility, but they can be notified of poor ADA compliance. I live in Brentwood and I am available to help Brentwood take a much more proactive approach to ADA compliance. Please see my website at https://inspectionsada.com/adaservices. Thank you.
Richard,

Thank you for your email. We are developing a detailed plan for correction of many identified accessibility issues. The specific curb ramp at Harpeth Drive is on our list. In fact, there are over 500 ramps to replaced throughout the city in the coming years. As for private businesses, we can certainly require improvements when modifications to the building are made, but in the mean time I would urge you to make those specific businesses aware of the deficiencies when you see them. I agree there are many places where accessibility can be improved and we are committed to working to that end! We are also discussing a new “all-inclusive” playground in our parks as well. Thank you again for your email and we will keep your name and information on file!

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood
It would be wonderful if there were sidewalks/walkways (paved) connecting neighborhoods and to nearby schools. There are so many times when we would like to walk, scooter to school (less than half a mile away) and cannot due to lack of access. Thank you for asking. <mike.harris@brentwoodtn.gov>

Date: 11-05-2019
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Issue / Concern: It would be wonderful if there were sidewalks/walkways (paved) connecting neighborhoods and to nearby schools. There are so many times when we would like to walk, scooter to school (less than half a mile away) and cannot due to lack of access. Thank you for asking.
Location of concern: Highlands of Belle Rive. connecting this neighborhood to Arden and then we could get to SCALES ELEMENTARY. There are common areas already zoned, but I do not believe they were ever paved and marked. TOP of Shadow Ridge Ct. specifically. There are others too in the Highlands of Belle Rive and Belle Rive Ii and Belle Rive neighborhoods, I just don’t know exact locations. Aslo, sidewalks on Belle Rive/Johson Chapel Rd. to arboretum
Kara,

Thank you for your email. We are constantly looking for ways to increase pedestrian connectivity, especially near schools. We have prepared plans for some additional sidewalks and crosswalks at Scales, Edmondson and at the Belle Rive entrance. Unfortunately we sometimes run into obstacles related to additional ROW that may be needed or modifications to subdivision entrances where the HOA will not approve the changes. Regardless, we will continue to pursue all avenues to make these improvements. I appreciate your email and wholeheartedly agree!

Mike Harris, P.E.
Director of Engineering
City of Brentwood