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Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 6:16 PM  
To: Michael Lammler <[MLammler@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:MLammler@lincoln.ne.gov)>  
Subject: Woodsshire Neighborhood Street Sign Project

Michael - Thank you for taking the time to discuss the street sign update project going on in our neighborhood. As we discussed, I have outlined the list of key items we reviewed.

1. Roundabout Street Signs on Historic Lamp Posts.

Of the 4 roundabouts in our neighborhood, only one had an obvious need for the street signs being moved off the historic lamp posts. The E Pershing Kings Hwy roundabout has trees that totally blocked the view of the signs on the historic lamp post from some approaches. The other 3 roundabout signs on the historic lamp posts could be seen from the multiple approaches to them. Hopefully there is the potential of having the street signs moved back onto the lamp posts on these 3 roundabouts.

2. The roundabout "circulatory arrow" signs.

As you mentioned they are the new federal mandated signs and the ones we now have are the smallest size. Understandably we are "stuck" with them. We may not like them but it is the best that can be done without jeopardizing federal monies or increasing liability for the city. And, they have the same regulatory enforcement as the one way signs that were there in the past.

3. Street Sight at "T" intersection vs. corners. General observation in our area of town is that at most "T"s, the street signs are on the corners.

a. Witham Ln & S17 are on the corner and on the historical light post. Historically correct for our neighborhood. :-)

b. Witham Ln & W Pershing. These were on the Historic Lamp post at the "T". One of the few exceptions to general observations, but it kept the historic esthetics of our neighborhood more consistent. Signs were moved across the street from the "T" on historic lamp post to the corner on a breakaway post. Hopefully we can have them moved back to the historic lamp post.

c. S Pershing and Woodsshire. Kind of the opposite in that the signs were moved off the historic lamp post on the corner to across the street at the "T" on a breakaway post. Totally messes with the esthetics and view of the park. Hopefully we can have them moved back to the historic lamp post.

4. Lamp Post Brackets. Worst case, perhaps for the light posts that end up without out signs after reviewing, we can get the brackets back as we hang plans from them in the

spring, summer & fall seasons. We realize that the clamps will be silver in color but we can paint them black to match light posts.

I appreciate your taking the time to discuss and offering to come reevaluate some of the street signs. I would be happy to meet with you when you review if our schedules can be coordinated. I'm not totally flexible, but being retired, I tend to have quite a bit of flexibility.

Looking forward to hearing back,  
Tom Piccini

RESPONSE EMAIL AFTER LTU REVIEW:

From: "Tim M. Hunt"  
To: Tom  
Cc:  
Sent: Friday April 28 2023 10:49:13AM  
Subject: Woodsshire signing

Good morning Mr. Piccini,

The street name signs on Kings Highway at Grimsby Lane and at East Pershing Road needed to be relocated, as the signs were not visible from all approaches. To avoid removing or cutting back trees and other median plantings to open the view of these signs, we chose to relocate the signs. This was done in conjunction with other work (installation of directional arrows) that was required to bring the median signing into compliance with current national standards.

An additional benefit to placing arrows and street names where they are visible to approaching drivers, is that maintaining these signs will no longer require a bucket truck. A standard sign truck will now be able to perform needed maintenance.

The street name sign that was on the antique light pole at Woodsshire Parkway and South Pershing Road was too close to the roadway (would overhang the street if installed correctly), so it was rotated to the backside of the light pole, which obstructed the view of the signs. Relocating the street name to the south side of South Pershing allowed us to install the sign the correct distance from the street and to display the street names without obstruction (see attached S Pershing & Woodsshire image).

The street name signs you mentioned at Witham Lane and W Pershing Road have the same issue (too close to street per MUTCD/Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices) and should also be relocated to bring them into compliance. Thank you for bringing this to our attention. I will share this with Michael Lampli, our sign shop supervisor.

I would also like to share that in general, we try to avoid installing anything on decorative or antique light poles. With new developments, we are generally prohibited

from fastening signs to their decorative lighting. We are limited to standards street light poles and our break-away posts.

A review of these signs finds their placement is correct and they are now compliant with current national standards. Their placement also allows us to preserve the trees and other landscape plantings on the medians while also reducing the cost of future maintenance.

Thank you for giving me the time to explain why these changes have taken place. Your patience and understanding are greatly appreciated.

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FOLLOW-UP WITH MR. LAMMLI

From: Tom  
Sent: Friday, April 28, 2023 3:27 PM  
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Subject: RE: Woodsshire Neighborhood Street Sign Project

Hi Michael - I am in receipt of a response from Tim Hunt. Mr. Hunt indicated that he had shared that information with you.

Basically, it does not appear, from his response, that any of the changes we had hoped for can be accommodated.

I will report to our board and suspect there may be some groans.

Based on your and my conversations, the neighborhood was extremely hopeful that we would, at minimum, get the sign brackets back for hanging our seasonal decorations on the Historical Light Poles where the street signs were removed. The six poles in question are the center light poles on the four roundabouts and the light poles at S Pershing Rd & Woodsshire Pkwy and at Witham Ln & W Pershing Rd.

Mr. Hunt's reply indicates that "in general" LTU tries to avoid installing anything on decorative light poles. I understand that in new developments but Woodsshire has had those installed on our historical poles for many decades and we are hoping to get them back. Is this possible or should I report to the board that this is no longer a potential outcome for our neighborhood.

Thank you and I look forward to your response.

Tom Piccini

RESPONSE FROM MR. LAMMLI

From: "Michael Lamkli"

To: "Tom"

Cc:

Sent: Friday April 28 2023 3:34:04PM

Subject: RE: Woodsshire Neighborhood Street Sign Project

I unfortunately don't know who can authorize this option, but you may be able to purchase decorative Stands and hangers to install in the circles. These would be maintained by the HOA not the city. I recommend avoiding attaching them to the historic light poles. I know there are a number of decorative options that you could consider. One possible group might be the Historic preservation group within Planning. You would probably also need to contact LTU ROW prior to installing anything in the circles.

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