

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING January 30, 2018: The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Common Council of the City of Morgantown was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 7:38 p.m.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Brazaitis, Mayor Kawecki, Council Members Fetty, Wallace, Selin, Dulaney and Wendell. City Manager Paul Brake & City Attorney Ryan Simonton. Absent Assistant City Manager Angela Cline.

Deputy Mayor Brazaitis called the meeting to order.

PRESENTATIONS:

1 . Urban Deer Hunt

Rick Bebout presented a power-point on the Urban Deer Hunt's duties and accomplishments for 2017 and planning for 2018. **Ex A.**

After discussion and questions from Council. Deputy Mayor announced the next presenter.

2 . Sidewalk Assessment-Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Organization-Bill Austin & Damien Davis

Bill Austin, MPO Director, presented the draft study time line of the Morgantown Pedestrian Morgantown Monongalia Regional Pedestrian Plan. He noted that this plan will provide guidance with future investment and improve pedestrian environment to create a more walkable and healthy community. **Ex. B.**

After discussion and question from Council. There was no further business on this topic. Deputy Mayor continued to the Public Portion.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Deputy Mayor opened the public portion and asked if there was anyone wishing to speak.

Matthew Cross, 524 Milford, President Pedestrian Safety Board, noted that the Pedestrian Safety Board plan is on the Cities web-site for all to view. He mentioned that the green connector is part of the plan that Alex Stockdale, Assistant City Engineer is implementing in the Tap Grant. He introduced Jessica Bladow, Secretary of the board and thanking her for keeping them organized.

Jessica Bladow, 400 Stewart Lane, mentioned funding and should she e-mail Carol Allen, City Manager Executive Secretary She noted that the Pedestrian Safety Board needed funding for pamphlets, seminars and updating the web-site.

Dave Bott, 524 Milford Street, Westover, WV, Member of Community Action Board. He suggested that City Staff meet with Bartlett House, Cartias and Health Right and discuss the issue of getting a person for the Friendship Room. He noted that this could be resolved with the CDBG Grant funding in February with coordination.

Frankie Tack, 150 Wagner Road, Addiction Professional, noted her dismay with the South Park Neighbors not wanting an addiction treatment center called the Oxford House. She noted that recovery homes or sober living environments are not treatment but peer support models. These people are in recovery working on it together, let's hope we can work with them.

James Giuliani, 256 Prairie Avenue, mentioned that he welcomes the Oxford House coming to Morgantown with eleven residents living in this house. He stated that he is not able to rent to more than three or four in his rentals, which seems to be a conflict. He noted that Forest Avenue still does not have any gas service. He requested the City Administration start communicating and work with him for his financial wellbeing.

Judith Wilkinson, 2 Waterfront Place, she noted that she lived in Charleston WV for 30 years and right beside the Presbyterian Church was a house where alcohol addicted people lived. She stated that the people that lived in the home were wonderful neighbors and worked downtown and some worked at the church. She encouraged Council to listen to those who spoke this evening.

Penny Kostka, 895 Fairfax Drive, noted that she had taken a poll at the Neighborhood Meeting and they support the changing of terms for Council. She stated that there needs to be public input from the Neighborhood Associations, and suggested discussion on City merging with the County for the election.

Deputy Mayor asked if there was anyone else wishing to speak. He declared the Public Portion closed.

Deputy Mayor asked that under Items for Discussion it has been requested to start with number seven. Council concurred.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Urban Deer Hunt

After discussion, no action at this time.

2. Comprehensive Sidewalk Assessment and Replacement Program

City Manager explained process. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

3. Ordinance Amending the South Park-Greenmont Parking District

City Manager explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

4. Ordinance Establishing Tax Credits for New and Expanding Businesses

City Manager explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

5. Ordinance amending section 1373.07 of the City of Morgantown Planning & Zoning Code as it relates to Nonconforming Signs.

City Manager explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

6. Ordinance Amending Articles of the City Charter Providing for Term of City Council Members.

City Manager explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the February 20, 2018 agenda.

7. Proposed updates/Revisions to Article 929 (Stormwater Ordinances)

By consensus this item was taken first on the agenda. Tim Ball, General Manager, explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

8. Ordinance Amending the Code Related to Spaying and Neutering of Dogs and Cats

City Manager explained. After discussion, by consensus referred item to the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Council by consensus adjourned the committee of the whole meeting at 10:22 pm.

City Clerk

Mayor

City of Morgantown's Urban Archery Deer Hunt: 2017 Update



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2017 Season Numbers

- 64 Hunters
- 31 Properties (WVU, City of Morgantown and Private)
- Harvested 97 Deer (75 does, 22 bucks)
- Donated 626 Pounds of Ground Venison

Top Five Properties in 2017

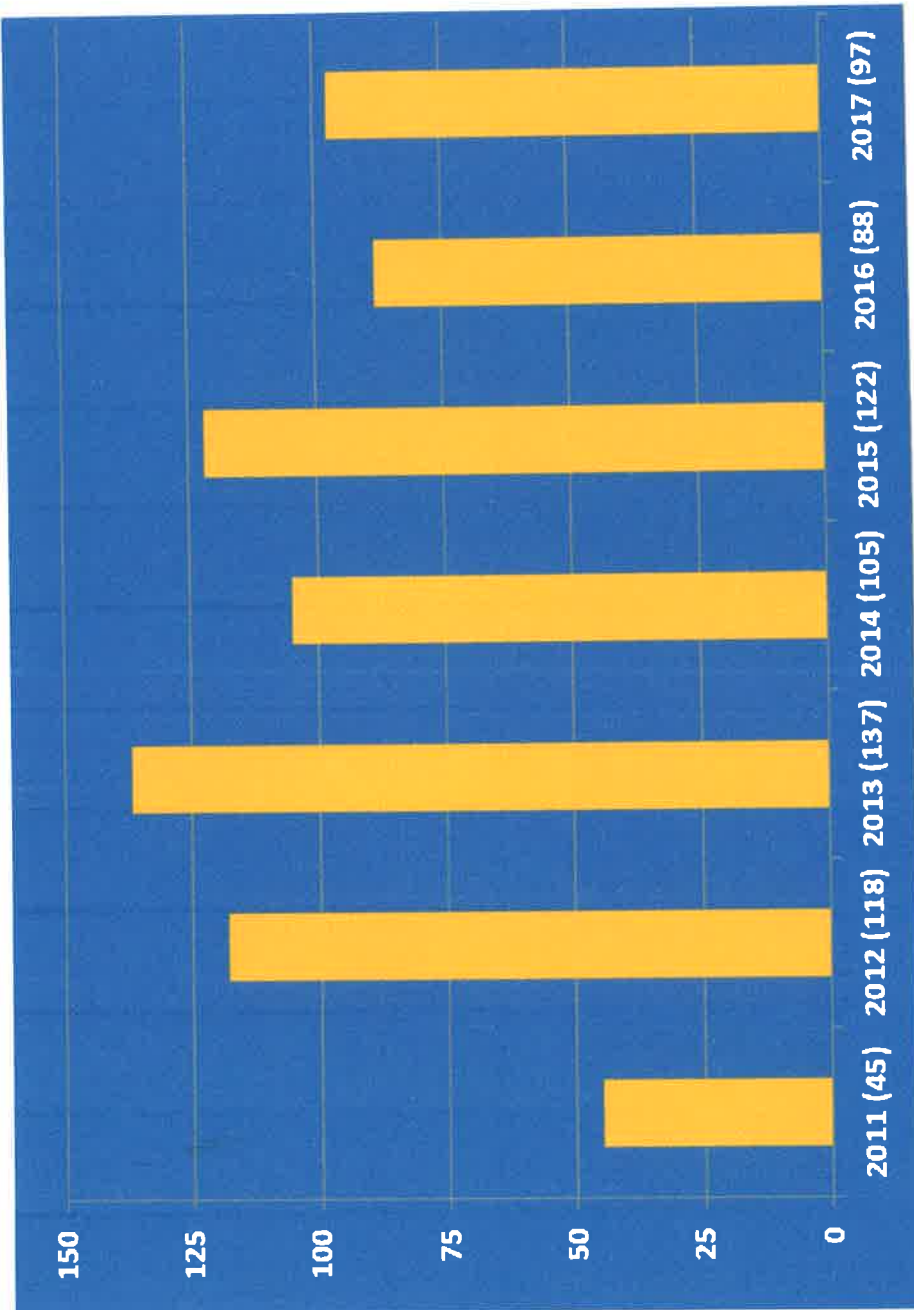
- **Green Bag Road Hillside (13)**
- **WVU Research Park (13)**
- **Norwood Neighborhood Properties (11)**
- **South Point Circle Properties (9)**
- **WVU Motor Pool Woodlot (7)**

Seven-Year Totals

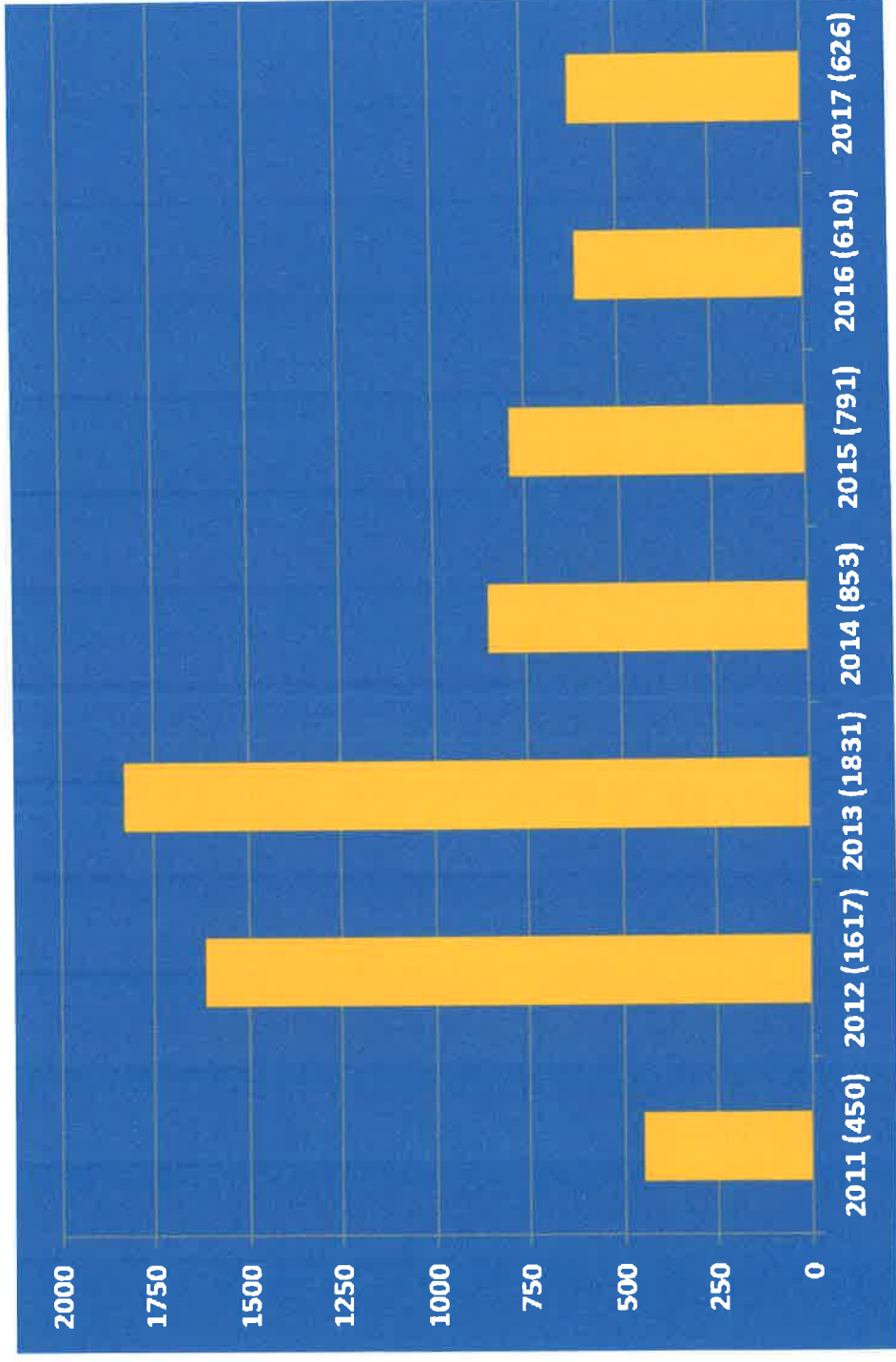
- 712 Deer Harvested
- 6,778 Pounds of Venison Donated
- Zero Accidents



Breakdown – Harvest Totals



Breakdown – Venison Donation (Pounds)



2018 Planning

- Dates Similar to Past Years (Set by the WV DNR Later in the Year)
- Add New Hunters From Waitlist
- BOPARC?

Questions?



Morgantown Pedestrian Safety Plan Update

Morgantown Monongalia Regional Pedestrian Plan

Bill Austin, AICP
MMMPO Executive Director

Damien Davis, P.E.
City of Morgantown

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Morgantown Pedestrian Safety Plan Update Morgantown Monongalia Regional Pedestrian Plan

- Study Timeline
- Community Involvement
- Infrastructure Survey and GIS Database
- Recommendation Components
- Implementation





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Project initiation

- Key stakeholders interviews
 - Establishing steering committee
 - Developing scope of works
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Data collection and analysis

- Conducting infrastructure survey and pedestrian survey
 - Evaluate crash data and census data
 - Creating GIS database
 - Community involvement: interview, focus group
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Preliminary Recommendation

- Identify projects and programs
 - Community involvement: community workshop
 - Development implementation mechanism
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Final Recommendation and Report

- Public meetings
 - Projects/program prioritization
 - Prepare final report
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	January	February	March	April	May	June
Project Initiation	X	X				
Data collection and analysis		X	X			
Preliminary Recommendation			X	X	X	
Final Recommendation and Report					X	X



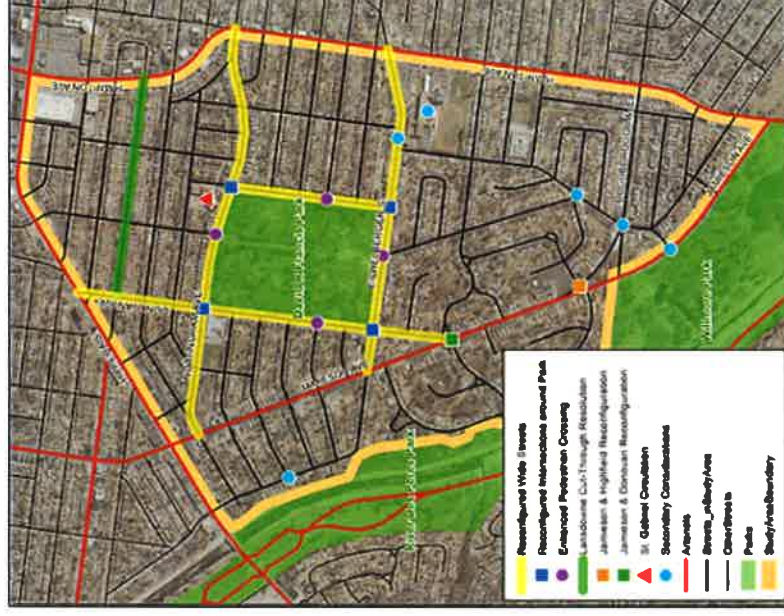


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Infrastructure survey & Creating GIS database

Pedestrian Facility Inventory Survey

Road Intersection Information	
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Intersecting crossing Street Name:	Roads #: <input type="checkbox"/> City Street <input type="checkbox"/> State Street
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<input type="checkbox"/> T Intersection <input type="checkbox"/> Starved T intersection <input type="checkbox"/> 4-way intersection <input type="checkbox"/> Skewed 4-way intersection <input type="checkbox"/> Oblique	
GIS Data Info:	
Walkway Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Side Walk <input type="checkbox"/> Shoulders
Traffic control devices:	<input type="checkbox"/> No Control <input type="checkbox"/> Stop Control <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic signal, no pedestrian signal <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic signal, exclusive pedestrian signal <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic signal, concurrent pedestrian signal <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic signal, concurrent pedestrian signal with leading phase
Crosswalks	<input type="checkbox"/> Marked crossing <input type="checkbox"/> No marked crossing
Curb Ramps	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence (ADA Compliance) <input type="checkbox"/> Absence <input type="checkbox"/> Defective (Non ADA Compliance)
Refuge Island	<input type="checkbox"/> Designated pedestrian refuge <input type="checkbox"/> Median Island <input type="checkbox"/> Absence
Posted Speed Limit:	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 MPH <input type="checkbox"/> 25 MPH <input type="checkbox"/> 35 MPH <input type="checkbox"/> 45 or more MPH
Vehicle Volume:	<input type="checkbox"/> < 9,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 9,000 - 15,000 <input type="checkbox"/> > 15,000
Lane Configuration:	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Lanes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Lanes + TWLTL <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Lanes <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Lanes + TWLTL <input type="checkbox"/> Others
Channelized Right Turn:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Truck Traffic:	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Official Truck Route: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Lighting:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Land Use:	<input type="checkbox"/> Downtown <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Corridor <input type="checkbox"/> WVU Campus <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-High density Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Low density Residential
Every leg of each intersection is recorded separately.	



Sample



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Community Involvement

- **Steering Committee Meeting**
 - Morgantown Pedestrian Safety Board
 - City of Morgantown Staff
 - West Virginia Division of Highways
 - Mountain Line Transit Authority
 - MPO Policy Board
 - West Virginia University
 - Public Health Professionals
 - Non-profit Organizations for Low-income Families
- **TTAC and CAC Meeting**
 - The MPO's Transportation Technical Advisory Committee and Citizen Advisory Committee will be updated with the status of the plan developments and review relevant planning documents
- **Stakeholder Interview**
 - interview stakeholders on pedestrian facilities developments, including community leaders, advocates, and agency/organization staff
- **Focus Group Meeting**
 - Transportation equity group
 - Transit user group (Mountain Line)
 - Disability group
- **Pop-up meeting**
 - Small size, mobile meetings and discussions at places where people gather.
- **Community Workshop**
 - Public meetings exhibiting major planning outcome and collecting public inputs. It is expected that the first meeting will be at the Public safety building in March/April, and the second will be at the Mountaineer Station in May/June





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Recommendation Components

Signals and Signage

- Warning signage/flashing beacons leading pedestrian interval
- Speed limits
- Advance stop bars & yield lines

Streetscape

- Sidewalk construction and repair
- Pedestrian scale lighting
- Interim improvement strategies
- Pedestrian refuge islands
- High visibility crosswalks
- Green infrastructure/low impact development for alternative walkways

Land use

- Neighborhood gateways/pocket parks and open spaces,

Pedestrian Programs

- Encouragement: transportation demand management, safe routes to school program
- Education: traffic safety campaign, city walking map, and educational videos.
- Enforcement: parking enforcement, targeted police enforcement, speed feedback signs.
- Evaluation: annual pedestrian counts and survey program.





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Implementation

- **Use the following criteria to prioritize projects/programs**
 - Community support
 - Safety
 - Gap closure
 - Proximity to schools, parks, and centers
 - Transportation equity
- **Cost Estimation**

The MPO staff will work with the City and of WV DOH staff to develop estimated cost for each identified improvement. The estimation will consider the cost of engineering, right-of-way acquisition, construction and maintenance.
- **Develop implementation policies for pedestrian infrastructure improvement that can be used by the City of Morgantown and the MPO**





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Thank You!

