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Sent: 2/14/2022 6:57:06 PM
To: Kim Roney <kimroney@avlcouncil.com>
Cc: Debra Campbell <dcampbell@ashevillenc.gov>
Subject: Re: Street Tweaks update: Waynesville and Westwood Ave intersection WAVL

Thanks Kim,
The problems with the non-round roundabout includes that there is a confusing hard stop (not typical of a real roundabout, the waste of all those PVC posts that were placed in the road which were destroyed instantly, etc. The paint on the road would be better served to make parking spaces and no parking zones.
Could we replace the mural in the center island notroundabout with something that drivers would want to avoid, like a trompe l'oeil sinkhole? Oooh, and do that on all painted parts come to think of it. Like a realistic crevasse so it looks like the road is a really narrow, sketchy pass through an area that looks like it's crumbled all the way to the center of the earth. I think drivers would go really slowly through there. And it would hold up better with the inevitable tire smudges Lava! Raiders of The Lost Arc.
Thanks for the consideration

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On Sun, Feb 13, 2022 at 10:41 PM Kim Roney <kimroney@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

> Jonathan, I've copied the City Manager Debra Campbell so staff is aware of your concerns.
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> I am aware of the state of the installation in question and how winter weather may complicate maintenance for these specific materials. My understanding is that Asheville on Bikes has the MOU for this project, and their contact information is here:Â https://ashevilleonbikes.com/contact
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> Thanks,
> Kim
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> On Thu, Feb 10, 2022 at 11:20 PM Jonathan Wainscott <jonwainscott@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> Hey Council,
>> I've attached two photos as a kind of before and after of the intersection improvements, Street Tweaks! as branded by Asheville on Bikes, over here in the Hall Fletcher area of West Asheville. This is the Waynesville Avenue and Westwood Avenue conjunction. I have to say the "improvement" is about as positive as when Misty decided to smoke crystal meth with Jimmie, just for the summer...It didn't turn out well for Misty.
>> I can say that we have learned the practicality of painting the road white, with a kitchy design that's Instagram ready!!! It looks like a kitchen towel that suffered a life of emergency clean-ups andwas left wet under a leaky sink for a while. Now it's so funky it can't be used for anything other than one last dog puking and then throwing it all out. That's what the road looks like next to my beloved GasUp store that sells no gas in East West Asheville.
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>> But that's just a gratuitous critique of something justified as "art". The ugliness of the road isn't the most important thing. The bolts sticking out of the road and threatin'n my new used tires on the truck is a concern. As is the total waste of money and paint.Â We could have painted parking spaces, and we could have marked no parking zones with yellow curbs instead of another aluminum sign inÂ the sidewalks. but that 's just not cool enough and the dude at the Asheville on Bikes non-profit has to have something to do.
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>> It's going to be a beautiful Saturday, come on by and take a look!
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>> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGTZMI6pjMg&t=31s
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