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Cc: Debra Campbell <dcampbell@ashevillenc.gov>,Kim Roney <kimroney@avlcouncil.com>,Ken Putnam <kputnam@ashevillenc.gov>
Subject: Re: Street Tweaks update: Waynesville and Westwood Ave intersection WAVL

Thanks Jessical et al,
I just drove over the Montford Avenue Bridge. The same thing is already happening to the new installation of these plastic post things, traffic is confusing on the bridge and it's a really horrible place for vehicular mishaps to occur. I didn't have time to stop and take some photos/video because I was hungry. I'll send some tomorrow and hopefully you can include in the Westwood/Waynesville removal plan a halt to the Montford Avenue Bridge installation and plan for its removal too because it's just gonna get trashed.

Thanks-

On Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 3:23 PM Jessica Morriss <jmorriss@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:
> Hi Jonathan, we are working on a removal plan as we speak.Â I'm hoping to have a timeline settled in the next couple of weeks.Â Â

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> On Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 1:43 PM Jonathan Wainscott <jonwainscott@gmail.com> wrote:
> > Thank you!
>
> Virus-free. www.avg.com
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> > On Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 11:10 AM Debra Campbell <dcampbell@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:
> > > Good morning everyone.Â Thanks for sharing these concerns with us.Â Â
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> > > I am copying staff in the Transportation Department to respond to these concerns.
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> > > Debra
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> > > On Sun, Feb 13, 2022, 9:41 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
> > > >
> > > > Thanks,
> > > > Kim
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> > > > On Thu, Feb 10, 2022 at 11:20 PM Jonathan Wainscott <jonwainscott@gmail.com> wrote:
> > > > > 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.

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.

It's going to be a beautiful Saturday, come on by and take a look!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGTZMI6pjMg&t=31s

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