



**Transportation & Environment
Council Committee
Agenda
July 20, 2016
Auburn Hall – Community Room**

5:30 P.M.

- I. Call to Order and Introductions**
- II. Minutes of May 18, 2016 meeting**
- III. Presentation**
 - a. Rainbow Crosswalk Striping**
- IV. Committee recommendations**
- V. Staff updates**
 - a. Construction Projects**
 - b. Recreation**
 - c. Ingersoll Arena**
- VI. Public Comment**
- VII. Next meeting agenda setting, August 17, 2016**

City of Auburn
Transportation & Environment
May 18, 2016
5:30 PM
Council Chambers

- **Call to Order and Introductions:**

Councilor David Young; Councilor Leroy Walker; Councilor Ernestine Gilbert; Scott Holland, Deputy Director of Public Services; Dan Goyette, Director of Public Services

- **Minutes:**

Motion was made by Councilor Walker seconded by Councilor Gilbert, accepting the minutes of the April 20, 2016 Transportation & Environment meeting. Passage 3-0

- **Silva Street:**

This item was moved to the start of the agenda to accommodate the large group of citizens in attendance to discuss this item. The drainage issues associated with Silva Street and Crest Avenue were discussed. The public spoke of their concerns. Silva Street is a public easement and the maintenance responsibilities were discussed. The possibility to make improvements to Crest Avenue which would help the situation will be looked at by staff.

- **LATC**

Phil Nadeau, Deputy City Manager of Lewiston and Chair of LATC gave a presentation about the proposed LATC budget and the way in which the budget is distributed within the organization. Marsha Bennett, LATC Transit Coordinator, then presented the existing bus operation and service schedule. She then presented what the cut in the proposed budget by the City of Auburn would result in for a change of service. Funding mechanisms and the fee schedule were also discussed.

- **Crosswalk Striping**

Dan Goyette spoke of a request by the United New Auburn Association for a decorative crosswalk. The restrictions on the type of striping on State roads was discussed as well as the opportunity to do it on a local road, Second Street.

A motion was made by Councilor Walker to move to the full council, Councilor Gilbert agreed. Passage 3-0 to move to the full council for discussion.

- **Solid Waste and Recycling Options**

Dan Goyette reviewed the memo which outlines the solid waste and recycling options the City currently has. A brief discussion on the current program was held.

A motion was made by Councilor Walker to keep the current collection plan, Councilor Gilbert agreed. Passage 3-0 to move to the full council for discussion.

- **Committee recommendations:**

a. Silva Street:

- Staff shall review possible drainage improvements on Crest Avenue.

b. LATC:

- LATC will be making a presentation to the full council, no follow up needed.

c. Crosswalk Striping:

- Request being brought to full council.
 - d. Solid Waste and Recycling:
 - Recommendation being brought to full council.
 - **Staff updates**
 - a. **Construction Projects** – an update was given on the ongoing City construction projects.
 - b. **Recreation Department** – Sabrina Best, Recreation Director, gave an overview on the ongoing Recreation Department programs. She reviewed potential additional programs if additional staff capacity can be found.
 - **Public Comment**
 - a. Occurred throughout the meeting.
 - **Next Meeting agenda setting, June 15, 2016**

Nothing set as yet
 - **Adjournment**
 - a. End Session 8:24 PM

Dan Goyette

From: jlabonte08@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2016 10:21 PM
To: Howard Kroll; Denis D'Auteuil; Dan Goyette
Cc: James Pross (Council); Grady Burns (Council); Jonathan LaBonte
Subject: Bangor to paint rainbow crosswalk for Pride Week | BDN Maine | Bangor Daily News

Good evening,

Auburn is a supporter of our LGBTQ community and I'm interested in us following in Bangor's footsteps to paint a crosswalk downtown.

Could I get an estimate of the cost to do this? I'd very much like to get this before the City Council, if we need to vote on it, before the Summer Fest so we can have it in place for our major summer and fall events.

Preferably, PW could do the painting in its work plan and if you need to find the few hundred dollars for paint we could figure that out. I'm committing to help fund this from resources I have access to.

I'd appreciate a response as soon as possible.

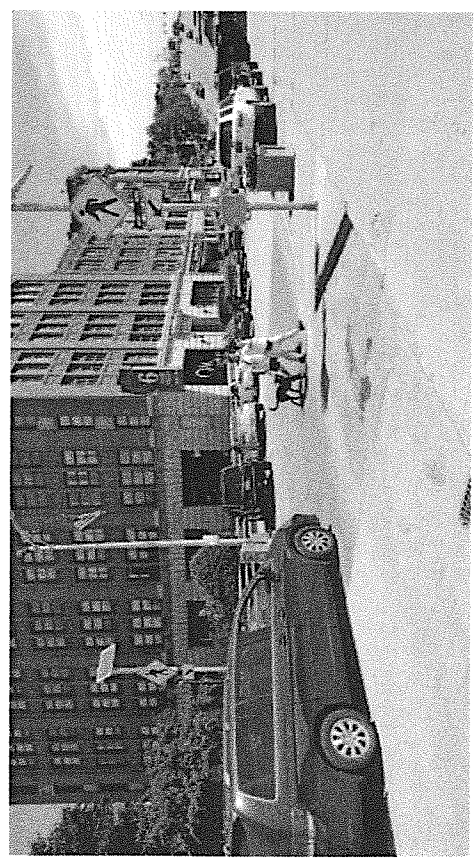
I'm good friends with Zeth Lundy in Bangor and could help with calls there if staff want, but I know Howard has many more relationships in Bangor.

Thanks!
Jonathan

Sent from my iPhone

BANGOR DAILY NEWS

Bangor to paint rainbow crosswalk for Pride Week



Pedestrians cross State Street over a faded crosswalk in downtown Bangor. The city plans to paint the sidewalk using rainbow colors in recognition of Pride Week. The crosswalk is near the memorial of Charlie Howard, a young gay man who was thrown from a bridge 32 years ago because he was gay. *Buy Photo*

By Nick McCrea, BDN Staff

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Posted June 21, 2016, at 11:29 a.m.

BANGOR, Maine — Bangor will re-stripe a downtown crosswalk using the colors of the rainbow in recognition of upcoming Pride Week festivities. The brightly colored crosswalk will appear on the State Street bridge that passes over the Kenduskeag Stream in advance of the weekend's Pride Week events. Last week, hundreds of Bangor-area residents gathered outside Bangor City Hall, lighting candles to remember the 49 killed in a mass shooting at a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida, and to show support for the LGBT community.

Zeth Lundy, the city's downtown coordinator, brought the crosswalk idea to the city's Government Operations Committee on Monday night. The idea came to him via Dan Schwartz, an employee at a downtown business.

"The idea is to showcase that we're an accepting place," Schwartz told the committee. "It also adds vibrancy and color to the city and a little point of interest." Lundy said the change would be another step toward "showing Bangor is a community that stands against hate." Other towns and cities across the country — Atlanta, San Jose, Philadelphia and others — have done similar restriping projects.

The city also considered placing the crosswalk on Main Street but decided on the State Street location in part because of its proximity to the Charlie Howard memorial.

Nearly 32 years ago, a group of teenagers threw Howard, a young openly gay man, from the bridge and into the Kenduskeag Stream. He drowned, a victim of a hate crime, and his name became a rallying cry for change and acceptance in Bangor and across the state.

A small memorial remembering Howard sits in a small park along the stream.

The crosswalk will be painted with white lines, and the rainbow colors will fill in the gaps between the stripes. That should follow crosswalk guidelines in the state's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and limit the city's liability in the event of a crash, Lundy said.

Dana Wardwell, the city's public works director, said the work could be done "as soon as the paint's mixed" and that the crosswalk paint likely would last through the summer and begin to fade over the winter, as with any crosswalk.

When the crosswalk paint fades, the city plans to restripe the crossing as normal in the spring. Wardwell said the project could cost about \$900 — \$600 for materials and \$300 for labor.