

**PRE-MEETING AGENDA
MOUNTAIN BROOK CITY COUNCIL**

**CITY HALL PRE-COUNCIL ROOM (A106)
56 CHURCH STREET
MOUNTAIN BROOK, AL 35213**

MAY 13, 2019, 6 P.M.

1. Introduction of Chase Wright, Spire Governmental Affairs Specialist—Mayor Welch
2. Lane Parke update—John Evans
3. Sharing costs for sidewalk along Poe Drive—Charles Kessler (information will be distributed separately)
4. Petition to close Beech Circle—Residence of Beech Circle (see attached)
5. Agreement with Morris-Shea Bridge Company (Dick Shea) with respect to improvements at the Athletic Complex—Shanda Williams
6. Project assignment for Rep. Jim Carns discretionary funds—Sam Gaston (see attached)



Beech Circle Closure Request

May 2019

Outline

1. Traffic & Safety
2. Neighborhood Request
3. Addressing Past Challenges
4. Benefits to City of Mountain Brook



1. Traffic & Safety

- Daily illegal violations by drivers ignoring the WRONG WAY and ONE-WAY signage
- Speeding drivers using the “**Circle**” as a one-way cut through
- **Speeding drivers have resulted in several ‘close calls’ of potentially fatal accidents to children**

41 Children live on Beech Street and Beech Circle

- Ride share and GPS navigation systems direct drivers to Crestline through the WRONG WAY signage
- **Tapestry Park Apartments 1,000+ cars illegally use the one-way street and account for the significant increase in cut thru traffic**



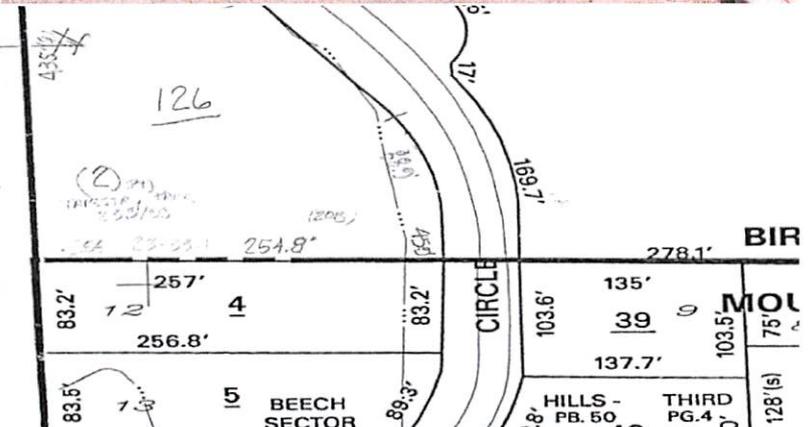
2. Neighborhood Request

1. Approve gate installation with emergency service access

**Fire Chief Chris Mullens has obtained quote from gate fabricator with his preferred specifications for siren activated gate opener*



2. Install a single NO OUTLET sign



3. Addressing Past Challenges

1. Emergency vehicle and medical staff access to Trinity Hospital – **Closed 2015**
2. MB Emergency vehicle turn around – **Fire Chief Chris Mullins supports use of siren activated gate to maintain current turn around access**
3. City of Birmingham Concerns- **MB staff has met with counterparts at COB and have received their approval for the requested gate option**



4. Approval Benefits to City of Mountain Brook

- Returns Beech Circle to non thru way design intent
- Satisfies the concerns of MB city council and emergency services
- Prevents illegal one way violation safety issues and enforcement
- Safety prioritization of neighborhood resident children
- Thru traffic will be safely served by the Hagood Street traffic light
- Decreased Euclid Ave vehicle traffic using Crestline as cut thru
- No burden to adjacent landowners





Thank You and Questions?



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Funds

1 message

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Wed, May 8, 2019 at 3:54 PM

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Rep. Jim Carns office called. He may have up to \$10,000 for us for a project. Since his district only represents the very southern part of MB, I thought of the playground equipment for Woodcliff Circle which Shanda plans to ask for in FY-2020. Can you think of any other projects we can use these funds for in the southern part of the city?

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