

HCC Recommendation

DATE: January 28, 2004

TOPIC: Crosswalk Across Benton Avenue at Stuart Street

SUMMARY: Benton Avenue is a busy major arterial roadway. This facility becomes increasingly hazardous to pedestrians near the Civic Center during organized events.

RECOMMENDATION: HCC recommends the Commission direct city staff to pursue through the appropriate process the placement of a signed and painted pedestrian crosswalk across Benton Avenue at Stuart Street.

VOTE: Proponents 13 Opponents 0 Abstain 0

PROPOSERS:

- Provides for pedestrian safety while crossing Benton Avenue.
- Allows for less parking congestion and potential vehicle-vehicle accidents at the Civic Center if the public knows safe crossings are available.
- Provides for the continuity of walking/biking trail system consistent with the draft Helena Non-motorized Transportation Plan.

OPPOSERS:

- NA

HCC REQUESTS THE COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS RECOMMENDATION AND TO PROVIDE COMMENT IF APPROPRIATE