Suggestions for Improving Traffic and Pedestrian Safety in Stevenson

CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION

Updated 9-14-15

1. Limit out-of-state truck traffic.
   *Continue working with our State Legislators to address this issue.*
   **Update:** Emailed WSDOT for status of SR14 truck counts conducted earlier this year.

2. Increase speed limit enforcement.
   *Continue to work with the Skamania County Sheriff’s Office for increased speed limit enforcement in the downtown area. City Council now monitors the number of City calls responded to and traffic tickets issued by the Sheriff’s Office each month.*

3. Further investigate radar ticketing. Contact other cities to see if the program pays for itself.
   **Update:** Added to City Administrator TODO list. Target completion date December 1, 2015.

4. Install a stoplight (or stop sign, if necessary) on 2nd Street at Russell Avenue.
   **Update:** WSDOT responded No - the most recent traffic counts for this intersection indicate a 4-way stop or traffic signal is not warranted.

5. Install a sign on 2nd Street west of town that says “Alternate Route”, or “Congestion Ahead - Alternate Route” (without pulling the stop sign on First Street).
   **Update:** WSDOT responded Yes, “as long as the alternate route or truck route sign meets MUTCD standards”. However, we could not mandate the use of 1st Street without pulling the stop sign and making both streets one way. Target completion date to install a new sign would be December 1, 2015.

6. Paint “25 mph” signs on the pavement on 1st Street. (WSDOT will not allow on 2nd Street).
   **Update:** Added to Public Works TODO list, target completion date May 1, 2016.

7. Install pedestrian activated crossing lights on 2nd Street crosswalks.
   **Update:** Under consideration by City Council.

8. Add hand-held pedestrian crossing flags at the two crosswalks at the west end of town.
   **Update:** Added to Public Works TODO list, target completion date April 1, 2016 (unless superseded by item #7).

9. Add blinking lights in front of Fire Hall and EMS. *(Council requested posts in sidewalks; considered overhead hanging lights to be visual pollution and overkill)*
   **Update:** Public Works Director will obtain exact costs for final determination by Council.

10. Reconsider the one-way couplet next year.
    **Update:** Council requested reconsideration be scheduled for March, 2016.