



**Ravenna City Council**  
**Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**November 15, 2021**

**The public meeting was held in person and live streamed via YouTube at:**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2yxWHeh7xBA>**

Council present: Council President Andrew Kluge, Amy Michael, Rob Kairis, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West, and Matt Harper.

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Finance Director, Brian Huff; Acting Fire Chief, Mark Chapple; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; Tom Halay, Larry Silenius; Cliff Soudil and Diane Smith

**The Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M. by Chairperson, Matt Harper.**

**The first item was the traffic signal on Highland Ave. and Cleveland Rd.**

Mr. Finney stated that the traffic light replacement at the intersection of Highland, Sycamore and Cleveland Rd. has been built into the 2022 budget. The project will provide safe crosswalks and a safer environment for bikes to cross to and from the bike trail.

- The item was moved forward

**The second item was South Freedom Street brick repaving.**

Council received comments from residents to keep South Freedom Street brick instead of repaving it with asphalt or concrete. Council and the City Engineer discussed the cost of the project and the availability of contractors to do the job. Residents who spoke out expressed their sentiment that the brick holds history and memories that are priceless, and implored the City to relay the road with brick. Mr. Harper stated that Council is dedicated to moving forward with the replacement of brick. Mr. Finney said that he will have a company come out to size the bricks and stated that they are an odd size. Due to the cost increase to keep the street brick the project will be replaced in three phases and will be added into the paving budget.

- The item was moved forward

**Management Update**

There is a new AFSCME representative. The City will meet with them, and the next negotiations will be in September of 2022.

**There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Clerk of Council**

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**Matt Harper, Chairperson**  
**Streets & Sidewalks Committee**