



Two projects targeted on Beechmont Avenue

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Anderson Township trustees recently authorized spending \$20,100 in taxpayers' money to study traffic along Beechmont Avenue.

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Steve Sievers, assistant administrator and development services director, said the township has an annual contract with KZF Design and the firm has helped with the Beechmont Corridor Plan and other projects.

KZF will study how business access will be affected when the continuous flow intersection is installed at Beechmont Avenue and Five Mile Road in 2012, Sievers said, particularly on the southeast corner of the intersection.

"The scale and magnitude of that project dictates that you have to look at it from every angle," Trustee Kevin O'Brien said.

"We have to get this exactly right the first time out of the box."

Business owners in the Skytop Pavilion plaza have requested traffic access improvements and Sievers said the study would also look at that area.

Trustee Russ Jackson said one of the township's largest efforts is to construct access roads to connect various businesses.

"What we're looking for is the impact of access roads on traffic and that the access roads are adequate and well-planned," he said.

Trustee Pennv Reis said she would like to see

more properties connected on the south side of Beechmont Avenue.

Many of these access roads plans have been in the works for a long time, Reis said.

The remaining funds would be used for miscellaneous projects spurred by development along the Beechmont corridor, Sievers said.

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