



Proposed improvements to the intersection of Main Street and County Road S56

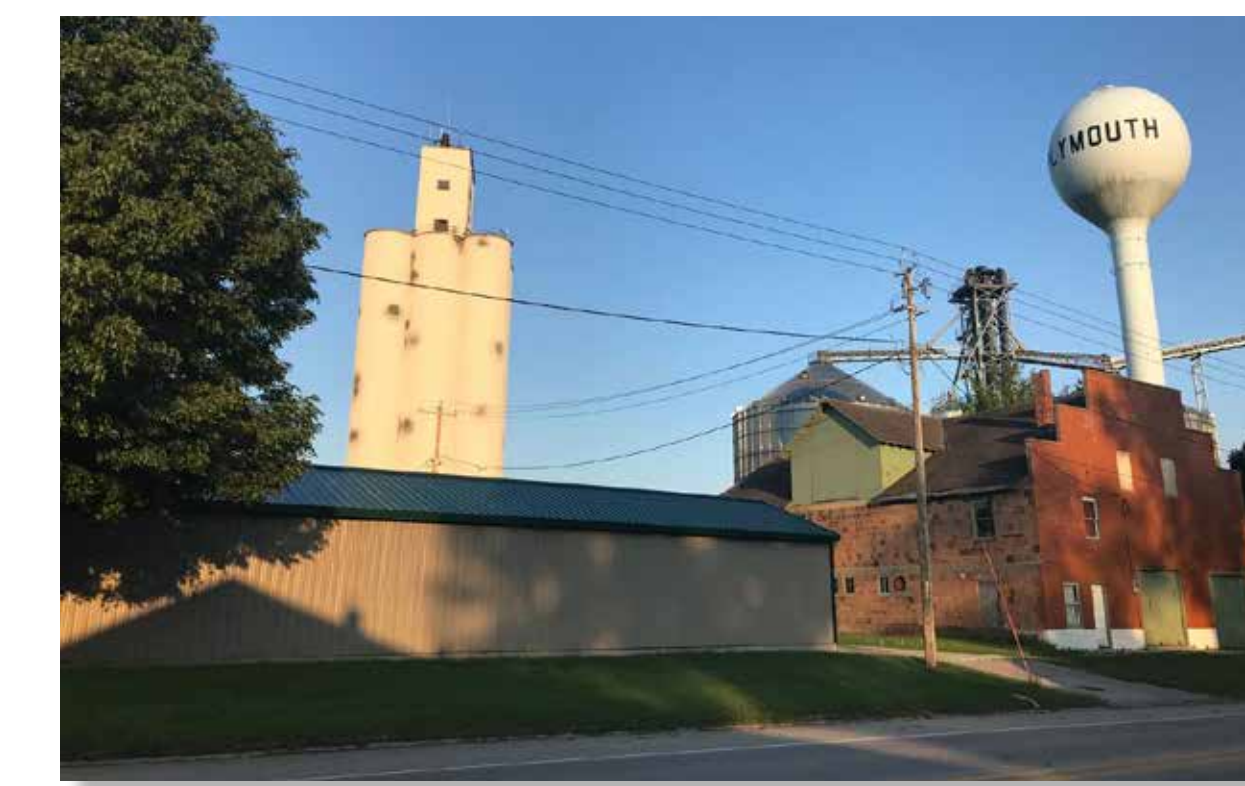
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The community of Plymouth jokes about it being in the "middle of everywhere". Major thoroughfares to mostly other destinations divide Plymouth. An added issue is with motorists disobeying the speed limit and stop signs. The visioning committee expressed interest in the use of traffic calming measures to improve safety. The design team spoke with Mary Kelly, Cerro Gordo County Engineer, about what measures the county would allow to decrease traffic speeds and increase awareness at the intersection of County Road

S56 and Main Street. She recommended the use of flashing stop signs in lieu of the overhead flashing light. She also suggested the speed limit could be painted on the pavement, highly-visible crosswalks could be used, and visual and textural enhancements to the intersection using brick or colored concrete.

The design team is suggesting a brick inlay in the middle of the intersection and additional brick on the exteriors of the crosswalks. This brick will give

both a visual and textural acknowledgment to the adjacent stop signs. Highly-visible crosswalks for all four corners will also increase awareness of this intersection. Main Street is a major node for school bus pick-ups and drop offs. A bus shelter is suggested for the north side of Main Street. Additional enhancements include street tree plantings, flower pots, and streetlight banner art.



Existing conditions along County Road S56



Proposed ornamental tree plantings under the power lines along County Road S56

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