



FROM Chief Ed. Menefee  
TO: Traffic Commission Members  
SUBJECT: May 6, 2022 Traffic Committee Meeting  
DATE: May 9, 2022

The May 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mike Grissom	Police Department
	Ed. Menefee	Police Department
	Chad Briggs	City Council
	John Nilges	Engineering
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Mark Piontek	City Attorney
	Mark Wessels	City Council
VISITORS:	Tony Bonastia	Street Department
	Allison Forms	Lime Scooters
	Andrea Lueken	Engineering
	Mark Skornia	Emergency Management
	Doug Hagedorn	Mayor

**OLD BUSINESS:**

4A 21-03-0003 Lime Scooter Status update: The only new issue that was noted is that Parks Department recently had a report of several scooters being thrown into the creek near the West end of the river front trail. Allison Forms indicated that Lime had already collected the scooters earlier in the week. (OPEN)

4B 22-04-0003 Review of “traffic chokers” on Lexington Lane: This request came from Engineering to evaluate the need for ongoing maintenance of these items. The committee discussed the structures and ultimately agreed that they were likely ineffective at controlling speed and caused significant maintenance issues. The committee also noted that we have received several requests in recent years to install the structures in other areas, and denied those requests. The committee agreed that it would be most appropriate to remove the “traffic chokers” from the street. John Nilges will update City Council on the decision before Street Department goes ahead with removal. (CLOSED)

NEW BUSINESS:

5A 22-05-0007 Street Closure Applications: The committee reviewed street closure applications for the upcoming Town and Country Fair and parade along with Borgia Grade School's Field Day. Both applications were approved. (CLOSED)

5B 22-05-0008 Request for speed limit signage on 25mph streets: The committee reviewed a request from a resident to add speed limit signage on Weber Heights Drive. The committee noted that as a matter of policy, we do not sign 25mph streets since it is the city default. The committee did note that we receive a large amount of requests for speed signage on 25mph streets and also field a lot of questions about it. Engineering is going to work with Street Department to mock up some temporary signage that can be deployed to remind residents of the city default speed limit. (OPEN)

5C 22-05-0009 Traffic Complaint on Stafford Street: The committee received a complaint from a resident about the staff at Four Rivers Career Center stopping traffic on Stafford Street twice a day to allow students to exit the lot. The committee agreed that it would be unwise to set the precedent of allowing civilians to stop traffic on city streets from both a legal and safety standpoint. Mike Grissom will follow up with administration at Four Rivers to discuss further with them. (OPEN)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am

The next scheduled meeting will be held on June 3, 2022 at 8:00 am in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully,

Chief Ed. Menefee  
Washington Police Department

CC:  
Each Member  
Sherri Klekamp

