



FROM Chief Jim Armstrong
TO: Traffic Commission Members
SUBJECT: September 2, 2022 Traffic Committee Meeting
DATE: September 6, 2022

The September 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Grissom Police Department
Jim Armstrong Police Department
Mark Wessels City Council

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Piontek City Attorney
John Nilges Engineering
Chad Briggs City Council

VISITORS: Doug Hagedorn Mayor
Andrea Lueken Engineering

OLD BUSINESS:

4A 22-05-0008 Request for speed limit signage on 25mph streets: At the last meeting 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. As a solution, Engineering acquired temporary signage that can be deployed and moved to notify residents of the default speed limit throughout town. The signs are already in place at several locations. (CLOSED)

NEW BUSINESS:

5A 22-09-0012 Sight distance complaint at Martina and Steutermann: This complaint came from a resident in the area who mentioned the bushes at the corner of the intersection. City staff has checked on the sight distance and agreed that it is an issue. This is being handled as a code enforcement matter and the owners will be asked to remove the bushes from the sight distance triangle. (CLOSED)

5B 22-09-0013 Crosswalk request at Cedar and 5th: This request came from a resident who lives in the area. He cited ongoing concerns for pedestrian safety. The committee agreed that an additional crosswalk should be added crossing Cedar Street at that location. Andrea Lueken will get the ordinance update to City Council for approval. (CLOSED)

5C 22-09-0014 Stop sign request at Fair and Esther: The committee noted that there is currently no stop sign on Fair Street at Esther. The other intersections near by were also checked and it was noted that they do have stop signs. In order to maintain consistency, the committee agreed that a stop sign should be added at that intersection. Andrea Lueken will send the updated stop intersection ordinance to City Council for approval and a stop sign will be added. (CLOSED)

5D 22-09-0015 Street closure requests: The committee reviewed street closure requests for Borgia Fall Festival, Borgia Homecoming, and WHS Band Festival. All three were approved. (CLOSED)

5E 22-09-0016 Yield sign request on Image Drive at Stafford Street: Administration from Four Rivers Career Center requested that the current stop sign at that intersection be replaced with a yield sign. Their hope was that a yield would allow their students to exit the property more efficiently when traveling back to other campuses. The committee agreed that the intersection should remain a stop intersection due to the sight issue that the trees and sign on the property cause for motorists leaving the campus. (CLOSED)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am

The next scheduled meeting will be held on October 14, 2022 at 8:00 am in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully,

Chief Jim Armstrong
Washington Police Department

CC:
Each Member
Sherri Klekamp

