



FROM: Chief Jim Armstrong
TO: Traffic Commission Members
SUBJECT: December 1, 2023 Traffic Committee Meeting
DATE: December 4, 2023

The December 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mike Grissom	Police Department
	Charles Stankovic	Engineering
	Duane Reed	City Council
	Jim Armstrong	Police Department
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Mark Piontek	City Attorney
	Chad Briggs	City Council
VISITORS:	Tony Bonastia	Street Department
	Justin Frankenberg	Emergency Management
	Doug Hagedorn	Mayor
	Darren Lamb	City Administration
	Betty Werner	303 Terry Lane
	Sara Skeen	City Planner

OLD BUSINESS:

4A 23-11-0046 Street light request at Westlink and Recycle Drive: This item was discussed at the last meeting and was initially denied. Upon further review of city code, the item was re-visited at this meeting and was ultimately approved. One street light will be added at the intersection. (CLOSED)

4B 23-11-0048 Review of crosswalk on Third Street at Mercy: After ongoing conversations with administration from Mercy Hospital, the committee approved the addition of flashing pedestrian crosswalk signage which will be added to the crosswalks near Third and Hancock along with Third and Madison. The cost of installation and maintenance will be the responsibility of Mercy Hospital. The committee also approved an extended no parking zone which will be located on the North side of Third Street at Hancock and will extend 75 feet to the East for sight distance. That item will be sent to City Council for approval. Engineering will work with Mercy Hospital to get the signage purchased and installed. (CLOSED)

4C 23-11-0049 E 5th Street Traffic Concerns: At the last meeting the committee was visited by residents who live along E 5th Street. The residents discussed concerns about a lack of sidewalks along E 5th Street in addition to the new development near E 5th Street and Willows court, and how that development would access 5th Street. This item was left on the agenda for follow up on the access issue. At this meeting, Charles Stankovic briefed the committee on the potential locations that the development would use to access 5th Street. The committee reviewed the locations and noted that ideally, the points of access should be closer to Brookview Drive than Willows Court. This item will be further monitored by Planning and Zoning and will be removed from this agenda.

As a side note: during discussion on this issue, a question was received about the lack of a crosswalk at the intersection of E 5th and Old Hwy 100. In checking, the committee determined that an ordinance existed for a crosswalk at that location, however there was no paint to designate one. Street Department will paint the crosswalk as it is located by the current ordinance. (CLOSED)

NEW BUSINESS:

5A 23-12-0050 Pedestrian concerns at market and Front: A complaint has been received in reference to pedestrians walking Northbound on the East side of Market Street continuing into the grass and onto railroad property. Mike Grissom will contact the rail road and ask them to install one additional "No Trespass" sign. (CLOSED)

5B 23-12-0051 Main Street Community signage: The committee reviewed the addition of Main Street Community signage which will be installed at our East and North city limits. The committee approved the installation. Engineering and Downtown Washington will work together on installation. (CLOSED)

5C 23-12-0052 Sight distance review on Washington Avenue: The committee discussed sight distance at the intersections of Washington Avenue and 3rd and 5th Streets. Mike Grissom noted that crash history at both intersections was very limited. The committee agreed that for the time being, no changes were recommended. (CLOSED)

The next scheduled meeting will be held on January 5, 2023 at 8:00 am in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully,

Chief Jim Armstrong
Washington Police Department

CC:
Each Member
Sherri Klekamp

