

City of Naperville

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Meeting Minutes

Transportation Advisory Board

Thursday, February 6, 2025 7:00 PM Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Melaniphy called the February 6, 2025 Transportation Advisory Board Meeting to order.

B. ROLL CALL:

Present 9 - Jennifer Bruzan Taylor, Scott Hurley, Alice James, Michael Krzywinski, Michael Melaniphy, James Webb, Sarah Rose, Andrea. Nair, and Brian Laird

Absent 1 - Nigel Neibel

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

Cathy Clarkin speaks on the Naperville bike-ability report that was drafted by students at her organization. She gives several examples how to improve mobility throughout the City. She would like the community to be involved in scoping the RFP for the City's bike and pedestrian plan update.

This was closed.

D. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Police Department Report

Police Sergeant Derek Zook gave an update on the grants that were completed at the beginning of the year. He also talks about the St. Patrick's Day campaign that is coming up in March. He reminds residents to drive sober during the upcoming Super Bowl weekend.

This was closed.

Approve the minutes of the November 7, 2024, Transportation Advisory Board Meeting

This Report was approved.

Aye: 8 - Hurley, James, Krzywinski, Melaniphy, Webb, Rose, Nair, and Laird

Absent: 1 - Neibel

Recommend approval to modify parking restrictions on Monticello Dr. from Plank Rd. to Bellingrath Ct.

Project Manager Mary Hartegan gave a presentation on the recommended

parking modification on Monticello Drive between Plank Road and Bellingrath Court.

Melaniphy asks if the residents were notified of the new restrictions since the last TAB meeting.

Hartegan states that all of the residents were notified and the residents supported the modification.

Webb thanks the Staff for finding a solution that works.

Nair asks if the resident who was most impacted by the restriction supported the change.

Hartegan states that he was in support.

A motion was made by Hurley, seconded by Krzywinski, approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Hurley, James, Krzywinski, Melaniphy, Webb, Rose, Nair, and Laird

Absent: 1 - Neibel

Recommend approval to remove parking restrictions on Triton Lane and Catalpa Lane

Project Manager Sydney Smith gives a presentation regarding the parking restrictions on Catalpa Lane and Triton Lane.

Melaniphy asks if staff was able to connect with the resident who opposed the change.

Smith states that they were but they did not give explanation on why they opposed the change.

This Report was approved.

Aye: 8 - Hurley, James, Krzywinski, Melaniphy, Webb, Rose, Nair, and Laird

Absent: 1 - Neibel

Approve the recommendation to modify the right-of-way control at the intersection of Vest Avenue and Rosewood Avenue

Prousa gives a presentation on staff's recommendation to modify the right of way controls at Vest Avenue and Rosewood Avenue.

Sharon Philips has concerns about the safety implications of changing the right of way controls. She states that the stop sign is the only way to cross Vest and this connects the school and neighborhood.

Julio Mayen states that the school walk route does not take into account how

children get to school. He states that the signs were installed for speeding down the street and that now with more development on Ogden, Vest is getting more traffic.

Noah Mattern states that he was the original requester to enhance the intersection. He states that the new proposal would not be safe for children and vehicles. He states that the traffic calming toolkit has stop signs as a tool that could slow vehicles down.

Alison Mattern states that markings and signage is needed to make the intersection safer. She states that the amount of children were not taken into account during staff evaluations on winter day. She states that a police officer in the area would help with compliance.

Jon Fleishman states that the stop signs were put in for a reason. He states that in the summer, children are out playing and removing would make the intersection less safe. He states that Vest is a busy cut through with the new developments on Ogden.

Mike Marek states that the city put the stop signs in for safety. He states that stop signs are used for speed control in the traffic calming toolkit. He states that taking the stop sign out will make Vest a raceway. Enhancement measures should be taken.

Kathleen Buettner states that she is an original resident and that residents fought for the stop sign 30 years ago. She states that nothing has changed to warrant taking the sign out. The City took out a sidewalk connection at Vest and Rosewood. She also would like a painted crosswalk at the intersection.

Frank Cozzi taking the stop sign out would create a dangerous situation. Costco has added traffic on Vest and it is a cut through.

Yvonne Pan states that she does not support the new proposal. She states that the stop sign plays a crucial role in safety in the neighborhood. She states that we should reward drivers for rolling and not stopping at the stop sign.

Tom King states that this is a safety issue for the children, he states that the stop sign does at least cause the vehicles to slow down.

Dale Dionesotes states that removing this stop sign will not make the intersection safer.

Irina Sullivan states that removing the stop sign does not make any logical sense. She states that stop signs can be used for slowing vehicles down.

Scott Sullivan wants the engineers to use engineering judgment to keep the intersection safe. He also would want enhancements made to the intersection.

Councilwomen Jennifer Bruzan-Taylor states that she went out to the intersection and that public safety is her number one issue. She states that from her observations this would not make sense. She states that the

crosswalk markings should be placed back and that we should keep the stop sign.

James states that she agrees with residents on not removing the stop sign. She asks staff if they evaluated the other intersections in the neighborhood for all-way stops.

Prousa states the process of how they would evaluate those intersections for an all-way stop.

Hurley agrees with the residents and recommends doing more in the traffic calming toolkit for this intersection to have enhancement.

Krzywinski is worried that the children in the neighborhood may not realize the stop signs are pulled and a dangerous situation could happen.

Rose thanks the residents for coming out to engage about the issue. Rose has a recommendation for a wider study throughout the neighborhood and more data collection at the intersection. She also asks if we should update the toolkit.

Laird states that staff should find a solution for the intersection that doesn't include taking the stop sign away.

Webb asks staff if they considered a three-way stop at this location.

Prousa stated that it would not be city policy to make this a three-way stop.

Nair thanks staff and the residents for the interaction and coming out.

Krzywinski asks what the reason was for the stop sign to originally be put in.

Prousa stated that residents at the time recommended an alternating stop sign policy to combat speeding concerns.

Melaniphy states that traffic flow changes constantly with developments. He states that this has been great government with the residents and staff coming out for this topic.

A motion was made by Rose, seconded by James, denied.. The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: 8 - Hurley, James, Krzywinski, Melaniphy, Webb, Rose, Nair, and Laird

Absent: 1 - Neibel

E. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

This was closed.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

This was closed.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Webb, seconded by Rose, to adjourn the Transportation Board Meeting at 8:23 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Hurley, James, Krzywinski, Melaniphy, Webb, Rose, Nair, and Laird

Absent: 1 - Neibel