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November 11, 2009

**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor Karen Tingle-Sames

**FROM:** John Carroll Travis, Chairman

**RE:** Minutes and Recommendations – Traffic Committee Meeting November 10, 2009

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**Present:** Eric Larson, Terry Thomas, John Travis, Ben Krebs, Tom Musgrave (GNG), Ed Saker, Jarrod Stanley.

- 1) Minutes of October 13, 2009 – Eric Larson made motion, Terry Thomas seconded – committee approved.
- 2) John welcomed guests – there were none.

**New Business**

- 3) E. Main St. on street parking at Military  
Larson reported that based on Mr. Travis's concern, he did a site visit. The west side of the intersection of Main St. and Military St. is posted no parking approx. 30 feet from the edge of the side street. On the east side of the intersection, there is approx. 100 ft of no parking in front of the church. Larson noted for low speed streets, he typically only looks like corner clearance based on a 25 foot sight triangle. This intersection meets this criterion. If you want to consider stopping sight distance of a vehicle on Main St., then you have to look at the posted speed. That would mean you'd need approx. 300 ft of sight clearance, which is almost up to Chambers Ave. Larson states this is too extreme for this situation. However, in discussing this with the Fire Marshall Scott Jarvis, the idea of lowering the speed limit to 25 mph would reduce the sight distance requirements some and provide for more safety. Jarvis had noted to Larson that this intersection did not have a history of accidents. Larson noted speeding on Main St. had come before this committee before and it was referred to KyTC. No recommendation from the committee but Jarrod Stanley says he will have KyTC do a radar study to check for speeding.
- 4) Cherry Blossom Sections 1 through 3 – No Parking One Side  
The president of the Homeowner's Association has submitted a letter to Larson requesting that the committee consider posting the first three sections of Cherry Blossom subdivision "No Parking one side of Street". Larson notes that unlike sections 4 to present, the first three sections did not make any plat restriction on on-street parking. Larson and Jarvis recommended that if considered, the 20 foot clearance for emergency access and parking prohibited on the fire hydrant side of the street be used as the standard.

Larson suggested that after the Mayor endorses the recommendation, Public Works could distribute a flyer advising the residents of the proposed change, put it on the agenda for the next meeting, and if no



one comes to the next meeting and objects, then the action could be implemented. Thomas and Saker agree with this suggestion and wait until the first of the year to make a final decision.

Ed Saker says he is in favor, due to safety. He questioned if it was legal to park facing the wrong direction. Larson said that was a good question for the Police Chief.

Thomas commented that the posts should be decorative to match the stop signs, etc. Larson says in the past the HOA was told if they prefer the decorative posts, the HOA would have to fund them. Larson will also notify the HOA as part of the other notification.

Krebs asked if there were deed restrictions for no on street parking. Saker was unaware of any.

Recommendation from the committee was to Post No Parking One Side of Street, FH side, and on median sections, in Cherry Blossom Sections 1, 2, and 3, subject to Mayor conditional approval and a Public Meeting at the next traffic committee meeting. Public Works will coordinate with HOA to do flyers to notify the neighborhood and explain the pending action. Saker made motion. Thomas second. Committee approved.

The Traffic Committee will reaffirm or change the recommendation and resubmit to the Mayor after the Public Meeting.

5) Chambers street parking

Larson states the preacher at Wayman Chapel recently questioned the need for No Parking on the west side of Chambers Ave., next to Ed Davis Park. Larson noted the signs have been up for some time and faded, so this is not a recent change. He also noted the signs have a Sunday exception. Larson noted the existing road is 25-27 feet wide. Larson and Scott Jarvis recommend no change. However, Jarvis did note the need to paint 20 ft and sign each fire hydrant on the No Parking side as no parking, even on Sunday. Committee agrees no action on change of parking with the understanding that marking off the fire hydrant will need to be done. Thomas Motion. Second Krebs. Committee approved.

6) US62/PaynesDepot intersection

Larson reports that a citizen has contacted the City about the lack of intersection street lights for night time visibility. Also stated that the lack of a left turn arrow/phase makes left turns dangerous, especially on the NB/SB directions because the left turn lanes are extremely offset and you can not see oncoming traffic. Larson recommended the committee refer these issues to the KyTC. Travis agreed with the concern about the offset lanes and noted a crash at this location last Sunday Evening. Larson motioned to refer to KyTC. Saker seconded. Committee approved.

Travis asked that Larson contact citizen with update.

7) No other new business was discussed.

Old Business

8) Radar Traffic Counter Purchase

Larson states he is still researching vendors. No action at this time. Tabled by Common Consent.

9) Crosswalk-Cardinal/Cumberland

Larson states he has met with two of the three school principals on Cardinal Drive. He has also spoke with Judge Lusby and School Board Superintendent Putty's office. However, no decision has been reached to share with the committee or recommend to the Mayor. No action at this time. Tabled by Common Consent.

10) On-Street Parking Sub-Committee

Larson states the Mayor has not appointed anyone to the committee at this time. No action at this time. Tabled by Common Consent.

- 11) Keelridge Dr. - School related parking issue  
Larson updated the committee and stated that after the Mayor endorsed the recommendation, he contacted the schools to get their concurrence. The principals at the High and 9<sup>th</sup> grade schools were in favor of the proposed restrictions and agreed with the time frames. Contact with the Middle School is still pending. Larson suggested that Public Works should distribute a flyer advising the residents of the proposed change, put it on the agenda for the next meeting, and if on ones comes to the next meeting and objects, then the action could be implemented. Committee agreed.

The Traffic Committee will reaffirm or change the recommendation and resubmit to the Mayor after the Public Meeting.

- 12) Seminole Trail – Stop sign removals at Copperfield and Hutchins – Larson states no action has been taken. Counts by Police not ready.
- 13) No other Old Business was discussed.
- 14) Next meeting date - December 8, 2009, 5pm City Hall Cancelled. Next meeting will be January 12, 2010, 5pm City Hall.
- 15) Motion to Adjourn – Larson, second by Stanley. Passed. Meeting Adjourned.

**Recommendations to the Mayor for Approval:**

- 4) Post No Parking One Side of Street, FH side, and on median sections, in Cherry Blossom Sections 1, 2, and 3, conditional on holding another Public Meeting at the next traffic committee meeting.
- 5) Sign and paint curb for each fire hydrant as No Parking Between Signs on Chambers Ave. between Bourbon St. and Lynn St.
- 11) Distribute flyers to Keelridge residents explaining the proposed signage and hold a public meeting at the next traffic committee.