

**MINUTES OF THE
TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Monday, January 20, 2014
City Hall, Room 207
5:30 pm**

MEMBERS: Chairperson Matt Kuepers, Alderman Thomas Sladek, Lieutenant Karl Ackermann, and Daniel Theno

ABSENT: Vice Chairperson Bryan Lipke (excused), Charles Karow (excused), and Victoria Jones (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Alderwoman Amy Kocha and Recording Secretary and Traffic Engineer David Hansen

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Approval of the minutes from the November 18, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting.

A motion was made by D. Theno, seconded by Ald. Sladek, and carried to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting.

2. Approval of the modified minutes from the October 22, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting.

David Hansen, City Traffic Engineer, stated that the motion for Item 5 incorrectly referenced the east side of Roosevelt St. It should have read the west side of the street. The minutes have been updated. He assured Commissioners that the work in the field was done correctly.

A motion was made by D. Theno, seconded by Ald. Sladek, and carried to approve the modified minutes from the October 22, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting.

3. Report by the Police Department of the 2013 3rd and 4th quarters serious injury and fatality crashes.

Lieutenant Karl Ackermann presented both quarterly report summaries. During the 3rd quarter of 2013, there were 3 serious injury crashes (Main St at Morrow St; Main St at E Mason St; and Lombardi Ave at 12th St). During the 4th quarter of 2013, there was 1 fatality crash (800 block of Wilson St).

A brief discussion took place that the OWI Task Force seems to be having an effect on reducing serious injury and fatal crashes, and that road condition and design are not causes of these crashes.

A motion was made by D. Theno, seconded by Ald. Sladek, and carried to receive and place on file the report by the Police Department of the 2013 3rd and 4th quarters serious injury and fatality crashes.

INITIAL REQUESTS

4. Request by Ald. Kocha to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY zone on the south side of Basten Street between Mech Street and Proulx Street.

Items 4 and 5 were taken together.

Eng. Hansen displayed and explained a map showing the existing and proposed parking zones.

Regarding Item 5, Ald. Kocha stated that the resident 2 houses north of Basten St on the east side of Mech St encounters parked vehicles in front of their home which interfere with garbage collection and snow removal.

Regarding Item 4, Ald. Kocha stated that overflow Green Bay Dressed Beef (GBDB) employee parking onto Basten St continues to be a concern of residents on the south side of Basten St east of the 2-HR zone. GBDB has ample onsite parking for its employees, yet some employees find it more convenient to park on-street. Any additional parking restrictions on Basten St shouldn't push the problem to other on-street locations due to the available on-site employee parking. Residents have requested extension of the 2-HR zone to just west of Proulx St. Eng. Hansen described a potential on-street location for employees to park, but would rather not recommend any other parking restrictions unless the problem arises there in the future.

A motion was made by D. Theno, seconded by Ald. Sladek, and carried that, on a 90-day trial, to:

- A. Remove the 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY zone on the south side of Basten Street from a point 95 feet east of Henry Street to Mech Street.
- B. Establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY zone on the south side of Basten Street from a point 95 feet east of Henry Street to a point 150 feet east of Mech Street.

5. Request by Ald. Kocha to consider modifying the parking restrictions on Mech Street.

See Item 4 for discussion.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried that, on a 90-day trial, to:

- A. Remove the NO PARKING zone on both sides of Mech Street from Basten Street to a point 60 feet north of Basten Street.
- B. Establish a NO PARKING zone on the west side of Mech Street from Basten Street to a point 60 feet north of Basten Street.
- C. Establish a NO PARKING zone on the east side of Mech Street from Basten Street to a point 135 feet north of Basten Street.
- D. Remove the 4-HOUR 7 AM TO 4 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on both sides of Mech Street from a point 60 feet north of Basten Street to a point 135 feet south of Van Deuren Street.
- E. Establish a 4-HOUR 7 AM TO 4 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Mech Street from a point 60 feet north of Basten Street to a point 135 feet south of Van Deuren Street.
- F. Establish a 4-HOUR 7 AM TO 4 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the east side of Mech Street from a point 135 feet north of Basten Street to a point 135 feet south of Van Deuren Street.

6. Request by Danz Elementary School staff to modify the parking zones on Basten Street and Spinnaker Lane to improve student pedestrian safety.

Eng. Hansen displayed a map of the proposed modifications to on-street parking zones near the school. He stated that these solutions were developed with the combined effort of the school crossing guard administrator, dean of students, principal, school district buildings/grounds supervisor, and himself. The recently-installed sidewalks on Spinnaker Ln have improved pedestrian safety significantly. Two areas still need improvement: the intersection of Basten/Spinnaker, and the school-side loading area just west of the school building. Restricting parking at the intersection will open up the sight lines for the crossing guard who works the intersection (Spinnaker Ln stops for Basten St) and will reduce congestion along Spinnaker Ln by allowing all turning movements to take place. Establishing a NO PARKING zone just west of the school on the south side of Basten St will move all-day parkers to another location, thereby freeing up this two-block area for student loading/unloading. Effectively we should see a reduction in the number of students crossing Basten St. If the parking proposal is approved, school staff has agreed to clear snow in the winter from the area between curb and sidewalk.

Ald. Kocha has no concerns with the parking proposal.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried that, on a 90-day trial, to:

- A. Establish a NO PARKING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the south side of Basten Street from Newtols Street to a point 135 feet west of Spinnaker Lane.
- B. Establish a NO STOPPING OR STANDING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the north side of Basten Street from a point 115 feet west of Spinnaker Lane to Spinnaker Lane.
- C. Establish a NO STOPPING OR STANDING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on both sides of Spinnaker Lane from Basten Street from a point 75 feet north of Basten Street.

TERMINATION OF TRIAL PERIODS

7. That, on a 90-day trial, to remove the NO STOPPING OR STANDING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the south side of Deckner Avenue from Danz Avenue to a point 180 feet west of Rose Lane.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to remove the NO STOPPING OR STANDING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the south side of Deckner Avenue from Danz Avenue to a point 180 feet west of Rose Lane and adopt by ordinance.

8. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a NO PARKING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the south side of Deckner Avenue from Danz Avenue to a point 180 feet west of Rose Lane.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a NO PARKING 7 AM TO 4 PM SCHOOL DAYS zone on the south side of Deckner Avenue from Danz Avenue to a point 180 feet west of Rose Lane and adopt by ordinance.

9. That, on a 90-day trial, to remove the 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from a point 220 feet south of Mason Street to Grignon Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to remove the 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from a point 220 feet south of Mason Street to Grignon Street and adopt by ordinance.

10. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from a point 220 feet south of Mason Street to Eliza Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from a point 220 feet south of Mason Street to Eliza Street and adopt by ordinance.

11. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from Emilie Street to Grignon Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the west side of Roosevelt Street from Emilie Street to Grignon Street and adopt by ordinance.

12. That, on a 90-day trial, to remove the NO PARKING ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS zone on the east side of Victoria Street from Crooks Street to Main Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to remove the NO PARKING ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS zone on the east side of Victoria Street from Crooks Street to Main Street and adopt by ordinance.

13. That, on a 90-day trial, to remove the 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from Morrow Street to Elm Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to remove the 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from Morrow Street to Elm Street and adopt by ordinance.

14. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a NO PARKING zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from Morrow Street to a point 150 feet north of Morrow Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a NO PARKING zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from Morrow Street to a point 150 feet north of Morrow Street and adopt by ordinance.

15. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from a point 65 feet north of Cedar Street to Elm Street.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a 2-HOUR 7 AM TO 7 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY zone on the east side of Elizabeth Street from a point 65 feet north of Cedar Street to Elm Street and adopt by ordinance.

16. That, on a 90-day trial, to establish a NO PARKING zone on the east side of Reggie White Way from a point 150 feet south of Lombardi Avenue to Lombardi Avenue.

A motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to establish a NO PARKING zone on the east side of Reggie White Way from a point 150 feet south of Lombardi Avenue to Lombardi Avenue and adopt by ordinance.

There being no other items of discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Sladek, seconded by D. Theno, and carried to adjourn from the regular order of business. The meeting ended at 6:01 P.M.

The next Traffic Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 10, 2014, at 5:30 P.M. in Room 207.