

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Traffic Commission

Chairman Martin DeFatte, Alderman Gregory Helding, Commissioner Richard Jones, Atty. Nicole Loop, Lt. James Dobbs, Charles French, John Heckenlively

Monday, June 21, 2010

5:15 PM

City Hall, Room 306 Conference Room

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order 5:16 P.M.

PRESENT: Greg Helding, Martin DeFatte, Tom Eeg, Sgt. Pavilonis

EXCUSED: Charlie French, John Heckenlively, Nicole Loop

Also Present: John Rooney, Tom Eeg attended on behalf of Rick Jones, Sgt.

Pavilonis attended on behalf of Lt. Dobbs, John Poehls

Approval of Minutes for the May 17, 2010 Meeting

The minutes of the May 17, 2010 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

New Business

1. 10-5095

Subject: Communication from Tonya Chester (1902 Hamilton Street) requesting No Parking signs be placed on Hamilton Street.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 06-21-10: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

John Rooney read the request from Tonya Chester of 1902 Hamilton Street. He noted the request was to place "Tenant Only" parking signs in front of the multi-family property. He noted posting private property in the public right-of-way is not allowed.

Martin DeFatte noted that perhaps the Police Department could look into the area to see that vehicles are not being left abandoned in the area or being vandalized.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Helding, seconded by Eeg to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

2. <u>10-5125</u> **Subject:** Communication from John Poehls, 2708 Westwood Drive,

requesting a traffic study be done at the intersection of Westwood Drive and Maria Street, to determine whether stop signs are necessary to maintain public safety.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 06-21-10: Defer

Fiscal Note: N/A

John Poehls appeared before the Commission. He had submitted a petition with five signatures to install stop signs for north-southbound traffic on Maria Street at the intersection of Westwood Drive. He cited issues of speeding in the north and southbound directions, particularly southbound and also noted that kids use the small park area located to the north and west of the intersection.

John Rooney noted that no studies have been performed in the area in the last five years. He noted the intersection is currently uncontrolled.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Helding, seconded by Pavilonis to defer for a traffic study for additional control. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

3. <u>10-5155</u>

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 2nd District, requesting a stop sign at the intersection of 18th Street and Clark St.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 06-21-10: Defer

Fiscal Note: N/A

John Rooney noted the intersection of 18th Street and Clark Street is, not so much an intersection, as it is a 90-degree turn in the road. He noted the request for a stop sign at this intersection doesn't make sense as there are no conflicting movements for vehicles. He noted a possible warning sign could be installed at each approach to let motorists know of the 90-degree turn.

Alderman Helding noted that Alderman Marcus asked that the item be deferred. He noted there may be some issues with parking in the area that limit delivery trucks ability to negotiate the turn.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Helding, seconded by Eeg to defer the item. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

Next Meeting Date

The next Traffic Commission meeting will be July 19, 2010 at 5:15 P.M. in Room 301 at City Hall.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 P.M.

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