
From: Johnson-Martin, Janice
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2018 10:51 AM
To: Payne, Nancy
Cc: McMenemy, Tara; McCarthy, Terry
Subject: FW: Wright Ave & West Blvd

Hi Nancy,

I don't know if you received this or not as Tara has been extremely busy so I thought I would forward to you on her behalf.

From: McCarthy, Terry
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2018 8:01 AM
To: McMenemy, Tara <Tara.McMenemy@cityofracine.org>
Cc: Elizabeth M. Navarro <enavarro@wi.net>; Johnson-Martin, Janice <Janice.Johnson-Martin@cityofracine.org>
Subject: RE: Wright Ave & West Blvd

Tara,

Please treat this as a formal communication to the Traffic Commission for a study of this corner and possible remediation. Thanks.

Terry McCarthy

9th District Alderman, City of Racine
Chairman, Public Works and Services Committee
Commissioner, Racine Water and Wastewater Utilities
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From: Elizabeth M. Navarro [enavarro@wi.net]
Sent: Sunday, March 11, 2018 6:08 PM
To: McCarthy, Terry
Subject: Fwd: Wright Ave & West Blvd

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From: "Elizabeth M. Navarro" <enavarro@wi.net>
Date: 3/6/18 6:15 PM (GMT-06:00)
Subject: Wright Ave & West Blvd

My name is Elizabeth Navarro. I am a homeowner and resident of the property located at the NE corner of Wright Ave and West Blvd (3024 Wright Ave). This very busy intersection is a clearly marked 4-way stop. Today I witnessed an accident at the intersection. An inattentive driver ran the stop sign and broadsided another vehicle attempting to cross the intersection. Fortunately, to the best of my knowledge, no one was seriously injured.

Living here for over 20 years I have seen many accidents occur at this intersection due to drivers 'blowing' the stop sign. I've also seen drivers just 'blow' the stop sign and fortunately not cause an accident because no other vehicle was there to collide with. I myself have been a victim of a hit and run where on a rainy Saturday morning someone driving to fast for conditions slammed on their brakes and slid into my parked car and totally side-swiped it caving in the drivers door. My neighbors witnessed the accident and called the police. I can only assume the driver spotted the stop sign at the last moment. Unfortunately for me, my vehicle stopped them from 'blowing' the intersection and allowed them to continue on their journey while I was left with the aftermath of dealing with my insurance company.

The reason I am contacting you is this: How does one go about petitioning the City Government into considering upgrading the existing stop signs to flashing stop signs?? This intersection happens to be a main thorough-fare for commuters driving in West Racine. The average width for city streets in Racine range from 60' to 66' wide. The street width for both Wright Ave & West Blvd is 80' wide. Some drivers treat these 2 streets as a race track (especially traveling on West Blvd between Washington Ave and 16th St). It would be very interesting to research the actual number of accidents that have occurred at this intersection in the last 5-10 years along with the cost of law enforcement, fire dept., and rescue personnel that respond to these accidents vs. the cost of installing flashing stop signs. Today....2 fire trucks AND 2 rescue squads responded to this accident along with numerous law enforcement personnel.

I strongly feel that flashing stop signs would help alert inattentive drivers to slow down and stop. What do you think?

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you....

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