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From: Johnson-Martin, Janice
Sent: Sunday, March 18, 2018 8:24 PM
To: Payne, Nancy
Subject: Fwd: Communication

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Melissa Kaprelian-Becker <mkbracine@gmail.com>
Date: March 18, 2018 at 7:19:04 PM CDT
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Subject: Communication

I would like to submit a communication.

Communication from Melissa Kaprelian-Becker seeking removal of the four way stop on Goold and Carlisle.

Sincerely,

Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

Racine 4th District County Supervisor

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operation issues with the signal timing of that intersection. He was particularly concerned of a through movement queue that would be long enough as to prevent cars from entering into the left-turn lane.

After explaining the analysis, he showed the Commission that essentially 95% of all vehicles in that outmost right through lane turn right to go southbound to westbound on W. 6th Street. He noted, in effect, the outside southbound lane was acting as a de facto right-turn lane already. He did acknowledge that south of the intersection the outside lane does drop off, but only 5% of vehicles in that outside lane go through the intersection. They are either going into the gas station or they simply merge into traffic southbound, south of the intersection. He noted the options for the Traffic Commission were to mark the outside lane as right-turn lane only and put up the appropriate signs or leave the intersection as is, as it is already functioning in that manner. He did ask the Traffic Commission to consider, if approving the change, to not implement the change until 2018 when S. Memorial Drive is resurfaced with a road project that will go from the Memorial Drive Bridge all the way up to Liberty Street. He further noted, that if it was approved and they wanted to make the changes in the field now, it would be temporary and only last a few months until next year's construction when it would be removed. He also noted it may be confusing to motorists who think it was part of a temporary detour for the Memorial Bridge Street Project.

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

Recommended to be Received and Filed

350-17

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Alderman of the 7th District, on behalf of Diane Talamantez, requesting to discuss a 4-way stop at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Goold Street.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 05-15-17: Defer

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Secretary Rooney explained the traffic study to the Traffic Commission for the request of a 4-way stop at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Goold Street. He noted that the majority of the traffic through that intersection is on Goold Street. He noted approximately 7,200 vehicles a day travel east and west while Carlisle Avenue has less than 600 vehicles going through the intersection from the north and south approaches. He also noted they looked at if there were any issues with vision triangle problems on the four quadrants of the intersection and noted there were none. He noted that the study included pedestrian factors such as dismissal and distance from Horlick High School, Wadowitz Elementary School and Gilmore Middle School. He noted pedestrians were counted in late May when the weather was very conducive to walking. He noted during the peak hours for pedestrians, which was after Horlick High School dismissal, approximately 60 pedestrians used the intersection to cross. He noted of those pedestrians, all were teenagers or adults and he noted of those pedestrians that crossed that intersection, only six crossed Goold Street, the rest crossed Carlisle. He also noted during the same time increment, 150 vehicles passed through Goold Street while only 10 crossed Carlisle. He also noted there was an accident study for the last 5+ years and noted there have

been a few accidents at this location; however, none of the accidents were correctable by installing a different or higher form of traffic control. They were all driver error. He recommended the traffic control remain as is, and requested this item be received and filed.

Diane Talamentez asked the Traffic Commission to reconsider. She noted there was a recent accident at the intersection this month and believed that the number of students crossing the intersection was low due to being late in the school year.

Alderman DeHahn spoke about the traffic conditions on Goold Street and also referred to the intersection near Mt. Pleasant Street, which is very difficult to get onto from Goold Street.

Alderwoman Weidner made a recommendation to approve a 4-way stop at the intersection, but for lack of a second, the motion died.

A motion was made by Yehlen, seconded by Mozol to receive and file. On a roll all vote, members voting aye: Mozol, Yehlen, Tran

Members voting naye: Weidner
Motion passed 3:1

Recommended to be Received and Filed

734-17

Subject: Communication from the Alderwoman of the 6th District, on behalf of Michael Wright, requesting a stop sign be installed at the intersection of Carmel, Columbia and Clarence Streets.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17: Defer

Alderwoman Weidner asked for stop signs to be installed at the intersection of Carmel, Columbia and Clarence Streets. She noted the concerns of one of her constituents.

Secretary Rooney noted the last time the intersection was studied was back in 2008 and the item was received and filed.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Mozol, seconded by Tran to defer the item for study. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

757-17

Subject: Communication from the Alderwoman of the 6th District, on behalf of Melissa and Jeff Peterson, requesting either a yield or stop sign be installed at the intersection of Westwood Drive and Maria Street.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17: Defer

Alderwoman Weidner requested either a yield or stop sign be installed at the intersection of Westwood Drive and Maria Street. She explained the request on the behalf of her constituents.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Weidner, seconded by Mozol to defer for study. Passed unanimously.

Fiscal Note: There is an estimated cost of \$1,000 to sign and mark pavement to implement this change.

Alderman Weidner requested item 37-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman Weidner to not approve the recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17 to receive and file but instead to approve redoing the markings and signs for the section of paving at the intersection of Memorial Drive and West Sixth Street in 2018 . The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Land, Perez and Meekma

NOES: 1 - Morgenroth

EXCUSED: 1 - Lemke

350-17

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Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 05-15-17: Defer

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17: Receive and file.

Recommendation of the Common Council on 09-05-17:

Recommends four-way stop control be installed at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Goold Street.

Fiscal Note: The estimated cost of this signage will result in an installation cost of \$200.00 and an annual maintenance cost of \$80.00.

Alderman Weidner requested that item 350-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Weidner, seconded by Alderman Smetana, to not approve the Traffic Commission's recommendation on 08-21-17 to receive and file but to instead grant the approval of a 4 way stop sign at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Goold Street. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Jones, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Land and Perez

NOES: 5 - Coe, Tate II, Larrin, Morgenroth and Meekma

EXCUSED: 1 - Lemke

779-17

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Alderwoman Jones, on behalf of Mie Neumann, requesting parking restriction signs installed at the Lumin Schools Renaissance School - 1510 Villa Street.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 08-21-17: