



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Traffic Commission

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

Monday, September 20, 2010

5:15 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call To Order

PRESENT: 7 - Gregory Holding, Nicole Loop, James Dobbs, Martin DeFatte, Charles French, Richard Jones and John Heckenlively

Also Present: John Rooney, Tom Eeg on behalf of Rick Jones, Sgt. Pavalonis on behalf of Lt. Dobbs, Douglas Clum, Shawn Schroeder

Approval of Minutes for the August 23, 2010 Meeting

The minutes were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

New Business

1. [10-5483](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Alderman of the 11th District, on behalf of James Huard (3005 Elm Lane) requesting a turn arrow for traffic turning south on Taylor from Durand.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 09-20-10: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Holding indicated he submitted the request on behalf of James Huard regarding the left-turn arrow for westbound to southbound traffic at Durand and Taylor.

John Rooney showed A.M. and P.M. peak hour traffic counts at the subject intersection. He noted the A.M. and P.M. peak hour counts for 60 left turn movements in the prescribed direction. He noted when traffic counts exceed 50 vehicles per hour for left-turn movements, the City typically provides a left-turn storage bay to get the left turners out of the through movement of traffic. He noted this is what has been done at this location. He noted typically when vehicle counts exceed 150 vehicles per hour in the peak hour for left-turn movements, a left-turn arrow is included in the phasing to clear vehicles out of the queue that accumulate in the left-turn bay. He also noted this corridor will be studied by a consultant that the City will choose this fall for the design and future reconstruction of Durand Avenue, from Kearney Avenue to Kentucky Street.

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

Recommended to be Received and Filed2. [10-5555](#)

Subject: Communication from Douglas Clum, Principal, Stephan Bull Fine Arts Elementary, 815 DeKoven Avenue, requesting a Loading Zone be established on the school side of Center Street to accommodate student drop off and pick up.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 09-20-10:

Recommends that Schedule F of Section 94-141(9) relating to "No stopping, standing or parking from 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. on any school day except for school buses and mass transit vehicles owned and operated by the City" be amended to delete Center Street, west side, from DeKoven Avenue south 240 feet.

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.

Doug Clum, principal for Stephan Bull Fine Arts Elementary School appeared before the Commission. He noted he was seeking a change in parking restriction on the west side of Center Street, from De Koven south to approximately the driveway opening. He noted this is posted for bus pick up, however, no buses use this side of the school as they pick up on Franklin and De Koven Avenue.

John Rooney noted the signs could be changed in this area to allow parents to drop off and pick up students. However, he did note that vehicles cannot be left unattended during pick up and drop up otherwise they will be cited.

Shawn Schroeder appeared before the Commission and thanked them for their help in supporting the school with this parking problem.

After further discussion, motion made by Holding, seconded by French to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval3. [10-5621](#)

Subject: In accordance with Section 2-95 of the Municipal Code of the general ordinances of the City of Racine, recommends that the following requests for changes in traffic code be granted:

A. Recommends that Section 94-141(9) of Schedule F of the Municipal Code of the General Ordinances of the City of Racine relative to "No stopping, standing or parking from 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. on any school day except for school buses and mass transit vehicles owned and operated by the City" be amended:

By Deleting:

1. Center Street, west side, from DeKoven Avenue south 240 feet.

Recommended For Approval

Next Meeting Date

The next Traffic Commission meeting will be October 18, 2010 at 5:15 P.M. in Room 301 at City Hall.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

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