

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Traffic Commission

Monday, April 20, 2015 4:00 PM City Hall, Room 303

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Present: Charlie French, Mark Yehlen, John Heckenlively, Robert Mozol, Lt. Dave

Wohlgemuth, Nicole Larsen

Excused: Jim Kaplan

Also Present: John Rooney, Tom Hayssen

Approval of Minutes for the March 16, 2015 Meeting

The minutes of the March 16, 2015 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

New Business

1. 15-00262

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Tom Hayssen (Racine Iron & Wireworks, Inc. - 905 Prospect St.) wishing to discuss parking problems at the intersection of Prospect Street and Douglas Avenue regarding business deliveries.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 04-20-15:

Recommends that the request to install no parking from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays on Prospect Street, south side, from Douglas Avenue west 75 feet, be approved.

Fiscal Note: The estimated cost of this signage will result in an installation cost of \$100.00 and an annual maintenance cost of \$40.00.

Tom Hayssen appeared before the Committee and noted the difficulty with having tractor trailer trucks make deliveries to 905 Prospect Street when entering off of Douglas Avenue. He noted that vehicles habitually park on the south side of Prospect, closest to Douglas Avenue, making it impossible for trucks to navigate the turn. He asked for a parking restriction to allow those truck movements to occur Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

John Rooney noted that approximately 75 feet of no parking at that location should allow truck tractor trailers to make that movement. He noted there are no parking restrictions on the north side of the street, as it is a narrow roadway.

Motion made by Yehlen, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed

unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

2. 15-00254

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer wishing to discuss changes to Section 94-311, Operation of Heavy Vehicles; Designation of Heavy Traffic Routes.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 04-20-15:

Recommends that the request to modify Section 94-311, Operation of Heavy Vehicles, Designation of Heavy Traffic Routes, for Douglas Avenue, Hamilton Street, Valley Drive and 13th Street be approved.

Further recommends that the request to remove Valley Drive and 13th Street west to southbound, Douglas Avenue from Goold Street to Hamilton Street, and Hamilton Street from Douglas Avenue to N. Main Street, from the truck and heavy traffic routes be granted.

Further recommends that Section 94-311 relating to "Operation of heavy vehicles; designation of heavy traffic routes", be amended to delete:

- 1. Valley Drive from Washington Avenue to 13th Street.
- 2. 13th Street from Valley Drive to S. Memorial Drive.
- 3. Douglas Avenue from Goold Street to State Street.
- 4. Hamilton Street from Douglas Avenue to Michigan Boulevard.

Further recommends that Section 94-311 relating to "Operation of heavy vehicles; designation of heavy traffic routes", be amended to include:

- 1. Valley Drive from Washington Avenue to 13th Street, northbound only.
- 2. 13th Street from Valley Drive to S. Memorial Drive, eastbound only.
- 3. Douglas Avenue from Hamilton Street to State Street.
- 4. Hamilton Street from N. Main Street to Michigan Boulevard.

Fiscal Note: There will be a nominal cost to remove signs at these locations.

John Rooney described some changes to the Heavy Vehicles; Designation of Heavy Traffic Routes ordinance. He noted with some changes, particularly on the re-designation of STH 32, from Main Street and Goold Street to Hamilton Street and Douglas Avenue, some changes needed to be made to the code.

Motion was made by Yehlen, seconded by Wohlgemuth to approve those changes. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

3. <u>15-00287</u>

Subject: Communication from RPD, on behalf of Fratt Elementary School, requesting signage changes at 3501 Kinzie Avenue.

Recommendation of the Traffic Commission on 04-20-15:

Recommends that "No stopping, standing or parking from 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on any school day except for school buses" restrictions on the 900 block of Cleveland Avenue, east side; be changed to "No Parking, Loading Zone from 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on any school day".

Further recommends that "No Parking, Loading Zone from 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on any school day" restrictions on the 900 block of Arthur Avenue, west side; be changed to "No stopping, standing or parking from 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on any school day except for school buses".

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.

Lt. Wohlgemuth explained the changes needed by Fratt School for bus parking, from Kinzie Avenue to Arthur Avenue.

Bob Mozol inquired about the policy to charge schools for changes to traffic signage, as it relates to parking and bus pickup.

Mark Yehlen noted he would develop a policy for the Traffic Commission.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Yehlen, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

4. 15-00382

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 (45) of Schedule F of the Municipal Code of the General Ordinances of the City of Racine relative to "No parking from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays" be amended:

By Including:

1. Prospect Street, south side, from Douglas Avenue west 75 feet.

Recommended For Approval

Next Meeting Date - May 18, 2015 at 4:00 P.M. in Room 303 at City Hall

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

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