

MINUTES

REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

November 16, 2022

7:00 a.m.

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING: Frank Pyles, Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Fred Davis, Russ Brown, Mike Kilkenn, Larry Fairclo, Michael Holloran and Sandy Haechrel

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: David Mills – Transportation Manager, Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Nikki Lesich – Codes Enforcement, Jeremy Dutton – City Police and Cindy Keever - Administrative Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pyles at 7:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the October agenda was made by Kilkenny and seconded by Holloran. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

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7. STAFF REPORTS

A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

1. The Transportation team has finished installing all of the solar stop signs.
2. Mills talked to the commissioners about the signs being in “Stealth Mode” and the changes in speeds for Stealth Mode vs regular visible mode.
3. The Starlite Parade is scheduled to be held on November 25th. On the Wednesday before the parade, Pentland, between 2nd Street and 3rd Street is scheduled to be cleaned up for the tree lighting ceremony by the Chamber of Commerce.

B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

1. During Halloween unmarked cars patrolled the area up by Sorosis Park .
2. The Traffic Enforcement Officer position should be staffed after January 1, 2023.
3. Extra funds will soon be available for distracting driving enforcement. Distracted driving includes cell phone usage.

C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

1. Grants are available for removal of the problem plants Puncture Vine and Trees of Heaven. More information to follow.
2. Currently working with ODOT, the railroad and private property owners to stop trespassing occurrences.
3. Weather has changed so homeless camping has slowed down but work is continuing on City ordinances pertaining to abandoned vehicles and junk removal.

D. CITY ENGINEER REPORT

1. Trevitt Street continues to be closed between 10th Street and 12th Street. Project should be completed in a couple of weeks.
2. The Navigation Center Project on W. 7th Street is coming up soon.

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3. The 2nd Street Utility Upgrade Project discussion with Lumen (Century Link) regarding their site for widening easements is continuing.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Kilkenny and seconded by Brown to approve the October minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. City staff took a look at the area and suggested moving the no park, yellow curb area back 20 feet on the NW side of the 3rd Street and Court Street intersection. Commissioner Pyles moved to paint the curb yellow according to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) rules. Holloran seconded the motion. Davis, Kilkenny, Brown, Fairclo and Haechrel were in favor of approving the motion.

B. Commissioner Holloran said he will be working weekends and to please give him a call if the truck is seen parking near the Hostetler intersection on 6th Street. He will go and talk to the driver about not parking so close to the intersection.

C. The request to eliminate the flashing yellow traffic lights in the downtown area was discussed and it was agreed to leave the traffic lights as is. Officer Dutton said he has recently patrolled the downtown area while the lights were in the blinking mode and did hand out several tickets.

D. The request for a School Zone signage on W 10th Street in front of the Head Start building was denied because the Head Start facility is not an official school and therefore does not meet the school zone federal rules.

10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Nothing at this time.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned @ 8:12 a.m.

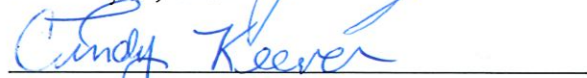
Submitted by/
Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

SIGNED:



Frank Pyles, Chair

ATTEST:



Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

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