



**NAPERVILLE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES OF May 3, 2014**

**Call to Order**

**A. Roll Call**

Present: Amberg, Benson, DiGiovine-Gehrs, Floegel, Polites, Smith

Absent: Chairman Wencel, McIntosh, Nye, Preissig

Staff Present: Transportation Team Leader Karyn Robles, Project Manager Jennifer Louden

**B. Minutes** Approve the minutes from the March 1, 2014 Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

Motion to approve.

Motion by:

Amberg

Second by:

Benson

Approved, 6-0

**C. Public Forum** N/A

**D. Old Business** N/A

**E. Public Hearings** N/A

**F. Reports and Recommendations**

**F1. City Council Report**

Preissig submitted his update from the March 1, 2014 City Council meeting in advance since he could not attend the TAB meeting. He noted that in the Consent Agenda, City Council passed the ordinances that modified “No Parking” zones on the north and south sides of Brookdale Road adjacent to the Brookdale on the Park Apartment Complex. TAB recommended these amendments to the Brookdale Road parking restrictions at its March 1, 2014 regular meeting.

Polites stated that at the March 18, 2014 City Council meeting the Washington Street Pedestrian Bridge contract was awarded.

**F2. Police Department Report**

No report.

**F3. Recommendation to Establish Parking Restrictions on Stoneleigh Court**

Team Leader Karyn Robles provided an overview of the proposed parking restrictions explaining that the request was submitted by a resident of Stoneleigh Court and that these restrictions would be the same as those posted on Old Bay Court.

**Public Testimony:** N/A

**Transportation Advisory Board Questions/Discussion:**

Amberg

- Asked if the City has considered working with the Principals to address all concerns at one time instead of dealing with them one by one.
- Robles confirmed that staff does work with Principals to address school traffic concerns in a comprehensive manner and that this was the only area of concern for Welch Elementary identified at this time.

Polites

- Noted that she visited this location and felt that the existing school drop off/pick up area is sufficient and that parents do not need to be using Stoneleigh Court.

Recommend to establish parking restrictions on Stoneleigh Court

Motion by:

Polites

Second by:

Amberg

Approved, 6-0

**F4. Relocation of Motorcycle Parking in the Central Business District**

Team Leader Karyn Robles provided an overview of the agenda item noting that the request to remove or relocate the motorcycle parking was submitted by the new manager of Jimmy's Grill. Staff sought input on the proposed relocation of the motorcycle parking spaces from other businesses, property owners and the Downtown Naperville Alliance who felt it was important to continue to provide motorcycle parking spaces in the downtown.

**Public Testimony:** N/A

**Transportation Advisory Board Questions/Discussion:**

Amberg

- Noted that as a motorcyclist he felt that it was important to keep motorcycle parking spaces in the downtown. Asked about using the loading zone on Jackson or the Riverview Lot located at the southwest corner of Main and Jackson.
- Robles noted the different locations that were evaluated as part of this request. The proposed location was selected because it serves the south part of the Downtown, is not located in front of a business and does not directly impact business operations like utilizing a loading zone would.
- Asked if the City tracks the number of motorcycles parking in regular parking spaces.
- Robles noted that we do not currently track that information, but thinks this is something we can do going forward.

Benson

- Asked if there are any particular times when the spaces are more occupied.
- Robles noted that based on our counts, it seems that the spaces are well used beginning in the late morning/early afternoon into the evenings and late night hours on nice days.
- Asked if motorcycles can park in regular vehicular spaces and if they can park multiple motorcycles in a single space.
- Robles stated that motorcycles are permitted to park in any legal parking space and that they can and that we encourage them to park multiple motorcycles in a single space in order to use our parking spaces as efficiently as possible.
- Asked if moving the spaces will cause the motorcycle behavior to change.
- Robles noted that we will move the signage and promote the new spaces in an effort to have motorcyclists park in the designated motorcycle parking spaces.

Floegel

- Noted that he spoke with people about this issue and that he did think that the concerns raised were valid. Stated that motorcyclists block the sidewalk. He is in favor of moving the spaces.

Amberg

- Asked that any signage note that motorcycle parking spaces are also available in the Van Buren Surface Parking Lot.

Polites

- Understands the concern of the business and feels the proposed spaces are likely the best option.

Recommendation to establish 8 "Motorcycle Parking Only April 1 through October 31" spaces on the north side of Jackson Avenue from a point 174' east of Webster St. to a point 209' east of Webster St.;

To rescind 8 "Motorcycle Parking Only April 1 through October 31" spaces on Chicago Avenue from a point 90' west of the center line of Washington St. to a point 130' west of the center line of Washington St., April 1 through October 31.; and

To amend the ordinance for "Two Hour Limited Parking 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday" on Chicago Avenue to read from a point 90' west of the centerline of Washington St. to a point 250' west of the centerline of Washington St.

Motion by:

Amberg

Second by:

Benson

Approved, 6-0

## **F5. Peterson Elementary School Parking Restrictions**

Team Leader Karyn Robles gave an overview of the agenda item noting that this request was from the Principal at Peterson Elementary. Staff did observe parking on both sides of Chinaberry Ln. which was impacting the school's traffic patterns.

**Public Testimony:** N/A

**Transportation Advisory Board Questions/Discussion:**

Amberg

- Noted that if teachers are not parking where they are supposed to that when these restrictions are put into place the Police Department should actively enforce them.

Smith

- Stated that this seems to be a temporary problem during construction and asked if these restrictions should be temporary.
- Robles noted that the students are all bused to Peterson Elementary and that at such time that the neighborhood construction is significantly complete, the City would re-evaluate all traffic restrictions, pick up and drop off zones and school walk route. Since we are unclear when that will occur staff recommends not making the restrictions temporary.

Polites

- Noted that with the curve on Chinaberry Ln she supports the no parking restriction and thinks it will make the area safer.

Recommend approval to establish a “No Parking, Stopping or Standing Zone from 8:45 to 9:15 AM and from 3:15 to 3:45 PM, School Days Only” from a point 465’ west of the center line of Honey Locust Dr. to a point 165’ west of the center line of Honey Locust Dr. on the southside of Chinaberry Ln.; and

to establish a “No Parking Zone” from the center line of Mahogany Ln. to a point 250’ east of the center line of Mahogany Ln. on the southside of Chinaberry Ln.

Motion by:

Benson

Second by:

Amberg

Approved, 6-0

## G. Correspondence

### G1. Recommendation for FY2014-2015, First Quarter Commuter Permit Issuance and Space Utilization Report

Team Leader Robles explained that since the 2013 commuter waitlist audit permit acceptance rates are up and therefore parking lot overflow is also up. This quarter it was only recommended to issue 5 Kroehler Lot permits and 5 for Burlington and Parkview.

**Transportation Advisory Board Questions/ Discussion:**

Polites

- Noted that Route 59 daily fee spaces were at 100% occupancy and asked if we would consider making permit spaces daily fee.
- Robles noted that this is something that we have done in the past and that staff is monitoring the data to see if the high occupancy rates continue.

## **G2. Illinois Route 59 Expansion Construction Update**

### **Transportation Advisory Board Questions/ Discussion:**

Polites

- Noted that she feels that additional enforcement along Route 59 is needed and asked who would handle that – Naperville or Aurora?
- Louden stated that the Naperville Police Department has been actively enforcing their section of Route 59 and that we can contact Aurora for additional enforcement along their section.

## **G3. Ogden Avenue/US Route 34 at the CN Railroad Overpass Project Update**

### **Transportation Advisory Board Questions/ Discussion:**

Benson

- Noted that at the time the CN acquired the railroad there were resident concerns about the increase in rail traffic. Asked if we have experienced any increase?
- Robles noted that there has been some increase in rail traffic following the acquisition but that the recession has limited those increases so far.

## **G4. Wal-Mart Neighborhood Traffic Concerns**

### **Transportation Advisory Board Questions/ Discussion:**

DiGiovine-Gehrs

- Asked if Fort Hill traffic has increased as a result of the Route 59 construction.
- Robles noted that we have not received any concerns or complaints from that area.

Benson

- Asked if the follow up study will be the magnitude of the Neighborhood Traffic Study.
- Robles said that we are just looking at the speed and volume data in order to quantify the concerns.

Smith

- Noted that there is a traffic problem and that Beebe wasn't designed to handle the traffic. Asked if Wal-Mart should do a study?
- Robles stated that Wal-Mart had provided a study at the time of their development submittal.

Amberg

- Noted that with an increase in traffic from Wal-Mart staff should remain aware of the pedestrian path crossing on the south side of 75<sup>th</sup> St. to Fort Hill and make sure it is safe.

Smith

- Asked if access to Fort Hill was considered as part of development?
- Louden noted that there is not direct access from Wal-Mart to Fort Hill due to the property being owned by the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County.
- Asked if we should make Wal-Mart obtain that property for access purposes?
- Louden noted that access to Fort Hill could increase traffic on Fort Hill which is the neighborhood's concern.
- Noted that access is insufficient and is not what you would expect for a Wal-Mart.

## **H. New Business**

### **H1. Forthcoming City Council Meeting Responsibilities**

May 6 – Wencel; May 20 – Amberg; June 3 – Benson; June 17 – DiGiovine-Gehrs

## **I. Adjournment**

Motion by:  
Amberg  
Second by:  
Floegel

Approved 6-0 8:45 a.m.