



**NAPERVILLE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2015**

Call to Order

8:00 a.m.

A. Roll Call

Present: Amberg, Benson, Floegel, Gustin, McIntosh, Smith, Haddad, Bloss-Montgomery
Absent: Fischer, Preissig, DiGiovine-Gehrs
Staff Present: Transportation Team Leader Jennifer Louden
Deputy City Engineer Andy Hynes
Police Commander Ken Parcel

B. Minutes

Approve the minutes from the June 6, 2015 Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

Transportation Advisory Board Questions/Discussion:

Benson

Noted that the description for Item F4 should be revised to reflect the correct item.

Amberg

Asked if there was any follow up with the school regarding the parking restrictions for Lincoln Jr. High School?

Louden responded that the school did not request any further changes and that the City Council approved the revised parking restrictions.

Approve the minutes from the June 6, 2015 Transportation Advisory Board meeting. Approved
(6 to 0)

Motion by: McIntosh

Second by: Gustin

Abstain: Haddad, Montgomery

C. Public Forum N/A

D. Old Business N/A

E. Public Hearings N/A

F. Reports and Recommendations

F1. City Council Report

- June 16 – Louden reported that Chairman Jack Amberg offered the services of the American Legion Riders. A temporary closure of Van Buren Avenue for construction of the North Central College Science Center was approved.
- July 21 – Smith reported that the City Council approved the IDOT Construction and Construction Engineering Services Agreement for the Washington Street Corridor Centralized Traffic Management System project. The Mayfair subdivision right of way and speed limits were approved.
- August 4 – City Council Meeting was cancelled.
- August 18 – Benson reported that a resident spoke about noise and traffic issues near the intersection of 95th Street and 248th Street. City Council approved the winter snow operations plan. An ordinance allowing an alternate truck route for certain deliveries of the Water Street District project was approved. Councilwoman Obarski discussed residential overnight parking complaints.
- September 1 – DiGiovine-Gehrs – No transportation items discussed.
- September 15 – Fischer – No transportation items discussed.

F2. Police Department Report

Commander Parcel welcomed the new TAB members and reported that the Naperville Police Department has been recently been focusing on traffic concerns near parks and schools with the beginning of the school year. partnering with McDonalds to reward families for practicing safe bicycle behaviors with certificates for ice cream throughout the summer.

Benson

- Asked what is the predominance of people using cell phones in school zones.

Commander Parcel stated that many people are still not aware that cell phones cannot be used in school zones. The Police Department has shifted from an educational to enforcement focus in these areas.

Amberg

- Asked for a clarification of the laws associated with cell phone use in school zones.

Commander Parcel indicated that all cell phone use is prohibited in school zones.

F3. Kendall Elementary School Parking Restrictions

Louden provided a summary of the request to amend parking restrictions adjacent to the school and remove the right turn movement prohibition on to Meadow Lake Drive for Kendall Elementary.

Floegel

- Asked where did the people go?

Louden responded that there could be a variety of reasons included the aging of the surrounding neighborhood. The School District indicated that they do not anticipate needing buses anytime in the near future.

McIntosh

- Commented that School District 204 is not built out and that they may be focused on other areas.

Approve the recommendation amend the parking restrictions from a point 80' east of the centerline of Ayrshire Court to a point 100' west of the centerline as outlined in the ordinance.

Approved the removal of the right turn movement prohibition onto Meadow Lake Drive from 8:45-9:15 am and 3:15-3:45 pm. Approved

(8-0)

Motion by: McIntosh

Second by: Gustin

F4. Proposed 2016 Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

- No discussion

Approve the 2016 Transportation Advisory Board Schedule Approved

(8-0)

Motion by: McIntosh

Second by: Gustin

G. Correspondence

Amberg

- Commented that TAB has very talented people that are available to assist the City Council as needed.

G1. FY 2015-2016, Second Quarter Commuter Permit Issuance and Space Utilization Report

Louden summarized the April to June 2015 Commuter Parking Study. Louden also noted that the City future reports will reflect the City's change from a May 1st Fiscal Year to a Calendar Year.

Amberg

- Asked where commuter revenues go?

Louden responded that all fees collected from the commuter stations are put in a specific funds dedicated to maintain and enhance those facilities. Capital improvements and the PACE buses that utilize the park and ride facilities are paid for from these funds.

Haddad

- Commented that the City should educate the public that there are 320 parking spaces available at the Route 59 station after the Route 59 construction is complete.

Louden agreed that spaces are underutilized due to the construction and that staff will be working on outreach regarding the availability of parking spaces once the roadwork is complete.

Amberg

- Commented that since ConAgra is moving from Naperville to downtown Chicago staff will be working with PACE and Metra to increase awareness of commuter options.

Smith

- Can you check where you are on the permit waiting list?

Louden responded that people on the waiting list can check their status at any time.

Smith

- How long is the wait?

Louden responded that the City does audits periodically to update the list as some people are on multiple waiting lists. Currently, the wait for the Burlington and Parkview lots is 12 years, Kroehler is 6 1/2 years, and no wait for the Route 59 parking lot.

McIntosh

- Are there any capital improvements planned at the stations and are there penalties for the delay in the completion of the Route 59 project?

Louden responded that there are some ADA improvements planned at the Naperville Station and some tuck-pointing work planned for the Route 59 station. The completion date for each of the 3 main Route 59 contracts was September 30th. Each contract has liquidated damages of \$6,775 per day or about \$20,000 per day in total.

McIntosh

- Is some of the delay due to utility work?

Louden responded that there were some delays associated with utility work. IDOT and the contractors will negotiate any changes in liquidated damages if the delays were justified.

McIntosh

- Will some of the landscaping be in the Spring (2016)?

Louden responded that she does expect that some of the landscaping will be completed in the Spring.

Amberg

- Commented that it would not make sense to do planting in November.

Louden agreed.

Benson

- What is the status of the changes in configuration at the Naperville Station?

Louden responded that PACE is investigating changes to existing routes so there is currently no timeline for the modifications.

Benson

- Asked if the changes come back to TAB and City Council?

Louden responded that it would depend on the scope of the changes.

Gustin

- Asked if TAB can evaluate ways to incentivize people to use the Route 59 commuter lot? Would like to review how the waiting list works, the black market for parking, and ways to incentivize parking.

Amberg

- Would like to review history before discussing further. Has there been previous reports?

Louden – The City conducts audits of the waiting list every four years. The City has not offered discounted permits. Many people are on both waiting lists. The 2008 Rate study contains some good information and would be a good starting point/reference.

Gustin

- Asked if there has been a study of how to get people to use the Route 59 lot?

Louden

Aurora currently has a waiting list for the south side of Route 59. Before 2010, we did have a waiting list for the Naperville side of Route 59. The wait list was eliminated when the economy changed and roadway construction. The Route 59 station is also in a different zone than the Naperville station.

Amberg

- Commented that more commuters means less traffic on the roads and less road maintenance.

Haddad

- Asked if the park and rides are used since people do not want to use Route 59?

Louden

The park and rides are more convenient because you arrive on the south side of the tracks which is the inbound side the train tracks. Many people may also not be aware that there is no wait list at the Route 59 station.

Benson

- Has there been any outreach to the people on the waiting list?

Louden responded that staff will check on recent outreach efforts.

Benson

- Commented that this would be an easy first step.

Gustin

- Commuters use roads from other jurisdictions to get to the train station. There may be opportunities to share resources and revenues with other jurisdictions.

Amberg

- Commented that the 2008 Rate study would be a good reference to have more discussion.
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H. New Business

Benson

- Asked how the diverging diamond interchange was working and the status of the West Glens pilot overnight parking study.

Louden responded that the interchange is working well but is not fully open. There has been at least one reported crash with multiple vehicles. With regard to the West Glen study, participation has been limited so the pilot program may be expanded to get additional data.

Amberg

- Asked what is the purpose of the overnight parking restrictions?

Louden

The parking restriction became effective long ago and its origins are not fully known. However, its purpose is believed to be associated with keeping roads clear for winter operations, police enforcement, and facilitating travel for emergency vehicles.

I. Adjournment

8:46 AM

Motion to adjourn.

Approved
(8-0)

Motion by: Smith
Second by: McIntosh