



City of Florissant

Honorable Timothy J. Lowery, Mayor

****MINUTES****

MAYOR'S ADVISORY TRAFFIC COMMISSION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

The Mayor's Advisory Traffic Commission met at the James J. Eagan Center, Room 3, on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., with Zach Schneider presiding.

Members present were: Donna Smith-Pupillo (Ward 1), Don Adams (Ward 2), Al Schneider (Ward 3), Greg Keil (Ward 4), Teri Reiter (Ward 5), Pete Fischer (Ward 6), Zach Schneider (Ward 7), and Dave Clasby (Ward 8). Also present were Officer Feldman, Police Department; Jason Timme, Street Department, and MaryAnn Fitzpatrick, Recording Clerk. Kim Redden (Ward 9) was excused.

A quorum being present the chair declared the Traffic Commission was in session for the transaction of business.

Minutes of the May 10, 2022 meeting were approved as published.

UNDER OLD BUSINESS:

All old business was addressed and dropped from the Agenda at the May 10, 2022 meeting.

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UNDER NEW BUSINESS:

**09/22 REQUEST TO PLACE STOP SIGNS ON ST. FRANCOIS AT ST. JEAN TO
CREATE A FOUR-WAY STOP INTERSECTION
Denied with Alternate Recommendation Approved
Ward 6**

Request was made to place stop signs on St. Francois at St. Jean to create a four-way stop intersection. Zach Schneider read the email request from Councilman Mulcahy, dated October 19, 2022. Pete Fischer said he has maybe seen one accident right there. He said he is out walking the dog every day right down that street. He said he thinks putting a stop sign there is going to scare people coming down that hill when they have to slam on their brakes because they are not used to a stop sign being there. Teri Reiter said not to mention more stop signs. She said the more stop signs you put up the less people want to stop for them. She said that's a problem. She said it happened on Lafayette. Every intersection there is a stop sign so no one stops. She said she knows she sounds like a broken record, but the more you put up the more people run them. She said if there were accidents there, that would be different. Pete Fischer said you can see how many accidents happen there. He said there was like two in a year. Zach Schneider said that is what the lady requesting this stated. He asked if there was any hard evidence that there are maybe two a year. Officer Feldman said he doesn't have any reports so he is not sure, but he can tell you that he can't recall ever being called there for an accident, but that doesn't mean that it hasn't occurred. He said he would have to go back and pull the reports for that. Dave Clasby said he doesn't understand the argument that they think it's a four-way stop so there are wrecks there. Zach Schneider said he doesn't understand that either. He said there are two stop signs and they are at Jefferson and Lafayette. He said he feels it is a

pretty good thoroughfare with just those two stop signs which we already have. He said it doesn't matter, but if there was any street corner that maybe would need another stop sign would be at St. Pierre because there is a bar right there. Pete Fischer said there is more limited sight right there too. Dave Clasby said he could see putting up signs under the stop signs that says not a four-way stop. Jason Timme said that is what he was going to offer as an olive branch, so to speak. He said you could vote on whatever you want, but that would definitely be an option to put up "cross traffic does not stop" on the existing stop signs. Zach Schneider said the issue at hand is people are feeling that there is a stop sign on St. Francois so they are just leaving their stop sign on St. Jean. Dave Clasby said that is what it sounds like. Jason Timme said the lady requesting this didn't really explain how this accident happened. He said her theory was that people couldn't see up the hill. So coming from St. Denis and crossing over St. Francois, it is hard to see up the hill there and that is what she sort of presented to him. He said looking up the hill on St. Francois, it was hard to see is what she said. Greg Keil said he doesn't really think there is any sight impairment at that intersection. He said he grew up one block from there and there is just not that much traffic in the first place. Jason Timme said that was her reasoning at the time. Donna Smith-Pupillo asked Jason Timme if he would be willing to put the other signs on the stop signs. Jason Timme said he would be willing to do that if that is what the Commission recommends. He said if we did that, it wouldn't even have to go to Council. It's not a regulatory sign so it wouldn't have to have an ordinance. He said you could just suggest that as an option to another stop sign. Don Adams said he likes Jason's idea. That might appease the lady requesting this. Donna Pupillo-Smith and Teri Reiter said they like that idea and you are not adding another stop sign or another ordinance.

Motion was made by Pete Fischer to make a recommendation not to place stop signs on St. Francois at St. Jean. Recommendation was also made to add "Cross Traffic Does Not Stop" signs to the existing stop signs on St. Jean at St. Francois. Motion was seconded by Teri Reiter. On the roll call the commission voted: Donna Smith-Pupillo – yes, Don Adams – yes, Al Schneider – yes, Greg Keil – yes, Teri Reiter – yes, Pete Fischer – yes, Zach Schneider – yes, and Dave Clasby – yes. Motion carried. Item 09/22 was dropped from the Agenda.

**10/22 REQUEST TO ADD PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALKS ON ST. FRANCOIS
AT ST. LOUIS AND ST. FRANCOIS AT ST. PIERRE
Ward 6
Approved with Amendment**

Request was made to add pedestrian crosswalks on St. Francois at St. Louis and St. Francois at St. Pierre. The request should have read St. Francois at Boone instead of St. Francois at St. Louis. Jason Timme, said these next couple of items are just housekeeping. He said the crosswalks are already there and this is just to add the ordinance. Greg Keil asked if this was on our Agenda once before. Jason Timme said we had the one at Brown before. He said that was a new one we put in. He said the one at Boone has been there and the other one was at St. Pierre. That's the one by Bunkers. He said they have both been there, but there is just no ordinance for them. He said this is just making an ordinance for the ones that are already there. He said this should actually read St. Francois at Boone and St. Francois at St. Pierre. He said St. Louis was an error.

Motion was made by Zach Schneider to make a recommendation to approve crosswalks on St. Francois at Boone and St. Francois at St. Pierre. Motion was seconded by Teri Reiter. On the roll call the commission voted: Donna Smith-Pupillo – yes, Don Adams – yes, Al Schneider – yes, Greg Keil – yes, Teri Reiter – yes, Pete Fischer – yes, Zach Schneider – yes, and Dave Clasby – yes. Motion carried. Item 10/22 was dropped from the Agenda.

**11/22 REQUEST WAS MADE TO REMOVE NO PARKING SIGN ON
BOONE STREET, WEST SIDE ONLY, FROM ST. CATHERINE
TO A POINT 160 FEET NORTH
Ward 6
Approved**

Zach Schneider read the request that was made to remove no parking signs on Boone Street, west side only, from St. Catherine to a point 160 feet north. Jason Timme said it is literally one sign. He said if you are coming from City Hall on Boone and you pass the old bank building which is now the Social Security building, where the drive-thru used to come out there, there is one sign that says no parking 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm on Fridays. He said he thinks it was there because people used to park there when they would run into the bank on Friday after they got their check. He said that is why the sign was put up. He said it is another one of those silly ordinances that doesn't make any sense. He said there is no reason for that sign there. He said if people park there it wouldn't hurt anything and its not saving anything to not let people park there. He said it is just another housekeeping thing. Let's just get it off the books and get another sign off

the side of the street. Zach Schneider asked if the sign has already been removed.

Jason Timme replied not yet. Don Adams and Teri Reiter said take it down.

Motion was made by Zach Schneider to make a recommendation to remove the no parking sign on Boone Street, west side only, at St. Catherine since it no longer serves a purpose. Motion was seconded by Dave Clasby. On the roll call the commission voted: Donna Smith-Pupillo – yes, Don Adams – yes, Al Schneider – yes, Greg Keil – yes, Teri Reiter – yes, Pete Fischer – yes, Zach Schneider – yes, and Dave Clasby – yes. Motion carried. Item 11/22 was dropped from the Agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Al Schneider was introduced to the Traffic Commission as the new member representing Ward 3.

There were no miscellaneous items sent to the Traffic Commission for review.

Next Traffic Commission meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

No other items were brought before the Commission this evening. The meeting was adjourned.

For the Chairman
Mayor's Advisory Traffic Commission

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "MaryAnn Fitzpatrick".

MaryAnn Fitzpatrick
Recording Clerk