



City of Florissant

Honorable Timothy J. Lowery, Mayor

****MINUTES****

MAYOR'S ADVISORY TRAFFIC COMMISSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

The Mayor's Advisory Traffic Commission met at the James J. Eagan Center, Room 3, on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., with Zach Schneider presiding.

Members present were: Donna Smith-Pupillo (Ward 1), Don Adams (Ward 2), Greg Keil (Ward 4), Pete Fischer (Ward 6), Zach Schneider (Ward 7), and Dave Clasby (Ward 8). Also present were Officer Topcagic, Police Department; Kyle Rachow, Street Department, and MaryAnn Fitzpatrick, Recording Clerk. Teri Reiter (Ward 5) and Kim Redden (Ward 9) were excused. Mike Mott (Ward 3) was absent. Resident Jerry Chancey, 445 Myrtle Drive, was also in attendance.

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

Minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting were approved as published. The February 9, 2021 and March 9, 2021 meetings were cancelled due to the lack of Agenda items.

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UNDER OLD BUSINESS:

All old business was addressed and dropped from the Agenda at the January 12, 2021 meeting.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS:

**03/21 REQUEST TO ADD HANDICAP PARKING FOR CHURCH OF THE MASTER ON
THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PADDOCK DRIVE
Approved
Ward 6**

Request was made to add handicap parking for church of the Master on the northwest corner of Paddock Drive at Parker Road. See e-mail from Councilman Mulcahy, January 19, 2021, directing us to see the email from Mr. Jerry Chancey. Zach Schneider read the email stating where the no parking signs are to be placed. He said there were also a couple of photographs attached to the packet as well. Mr. Chancey said part of the sidewalk does not have any handicap signs on it. He said there are two handicap signs up closer to the front of the church and some handicap signs in the parking lot in the back, but the walk to the front is exhausting for a few of the members of the church. He said they would like at least two more handicap signs in the front of the church by the sidewalk. He said it is not a public sidewalk, it is on the church property and doesn't extend past the property line. Zach Schneider said he noticed that there is actually one handicap sign on the Parker Road side of the sidewalk leading toward the entrance. He said the other sign is a no parking sign blocking the sidewalk. He asked Mr. Chancey if he wanted the signs on the back side of the sidewalk farther away from Parker Road. Mr. Chancey said yes. Kyle Rachow said that is a stand-up curb there so there is no parking to block the actual ADA ramp coming from the street. It was stated that there are two signs there now and they want to

add two close to the Paddock side. It was also stated that normally you would want a 15 foot clearance for police and ambulances to access the building, so shouldn't that curb be painted red. Zach Schneider said there is clearly at least 30 feet between the two no parking signs. He asked if this is something the City would do. Kyle Rachow said the City had also talked about painting the handicap part of the stand-up curb blue as well. He said that was something we had already talked about. He said if the emergency curb is something to be done, we can go with red as well, and then blue in the handicap area. There was some discussion as to whether it is 15 or 20 feet for the emergency vehicles. Kyle Rachow said we'll have to look it up to see if it is actually 15 or 20 feet. Zach Schneider said he thinks that there is plenty of room for the additional handicap parking there. He said he actually parked his car, got out, marked the spot and then pulled up. He said there was plenty of room for two more signs, even if you had to move one sign that is closer to the sidewalk.

Motion was made by Zach Schneider to make a recommendation to add handicap parking on the northwest side of Paddock Drive at Church of the Master. Motion was seconded by Don Adams. On the roll call the commission voted: Donna Smith-Pupillo – yes, Don Adams – yes, Greg Keil – yes, Pete Fischer – yes, Zach Schneider – yes, and Dave Clasby – yes. Motion carried. Item 03/21 was dropped from the Agenda.

**04/21 REQUEST TO REPLACE YIELD SIGNS WITH STOP SIGNS ON ST. MICHAEL
 AT AUBUCHON
 Approved
 Ward 6**

Request was made to replace yield signs with stop signs on St. Michael at Aubuchon.

Zach Schneider said there is an email packet from Councilman Mulchahy. He said there was a resident who requested stop signs at St. Michael at the intersection with Aubuchon. He said there are currently yield signs there. The resident noticed the yield signs at St. Denis and Aubuchon have recently been replaced with stop signs and wanted to see if the same could be done at the St. Michael and Aubuchon intersection. Zach Schneider said he drove past there and checked it out. He drove all the way down from St. Marie to Parker. He said that is the only intersection that does not have a stop sign at the intersection. The only thing there is a yield sign. He said based on one of our previous meetings when Officer Kiefer was present, he had mentioned that yield signs were almost a thing of the past. People don't pay attention to them. It was stated that we've talked about this before, and all agreed that as the requests come in we would just go ahead and make a recommendation to change the yield signs to stop signs. It was stated that this item was brought to the Traffic Commission once before. The man who was requesting this wanted the stop signs there because kids play in the street. The Traffic Commission denied the request at that time because it didn't meet any of the criteria for the stop sign warrant. Pete Fischer said he thinks we set the precedent the last time when we switched it at the other intersection.

Motion was made by Don Adams to make a recommendation to replace the yield signs with stop signs on St. Michael at Aubuchon. Motion was seconded by Pete Fischer. On the roll call the commission voted: Donna Smith-Pupillo – yes, Don Adams – yes, Greg Keil – yes,

Pete Fischer – yes, Zach Schneider – yes, and Dave Clasby – yes. Motion carried. Item 04/21 was dropped from the Agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Zach Schneider said he wanted to ask Officer Topcagic about a rumor that Officer Kiefer retired. Officer Topcagic said that Officer Kiefer is a fireman now. He said he is not a policeman anymore. Zack Schneider said we would like to congratulate him on his transition.

Next Traffic Commission meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

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

For the Chairman
Mayor's Advisory Traffic Commission



MaryAnn Fitzpatrick
Recording Clerk