Traffic Commission

Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2020 @ 6:00pm

602 S. Main St, Joplin, MO 64801, 5th Floor Council Study

Roll Call:
- Members Present: Robert Schroer, Trevor Frerer, Michael Mayer, James Fleischaker
- City Staff Present: Dan Johnson, Assistant Director ofPublic Works; Sgt. Jared Delzell

Approval of Minutes:
- Approval of the March 12, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Discussion Topics:
- Speedhumps/Traffic Calming
  - 36th and Connecticut
    - A speed study was conducted in April or May, and it was found that the number of vehicles was dramatically less than it was during the first speed study. Waiting for traffic to pick back up and then will conduct another speed study. Overall, there was a slowdown.
  - 4th and Gray 4-way Stop
    - Will do more in-depth study using a camera to video and software to give an accurate count on traffic.
    - Goal is to see if this 4-way stop is warranted. If not, look at the possibility of turning it into a 2-way stop or a flashing crossing.
  - 3rd Street east of Mall
    - Conducted speed study: Daily average was 1352 cars, 85th percentile was 34 mph and the average was 29 mph. No action warranted at this time but will continue to monitor and work with the police department.
  - 36th Street Indiana to Ferguson
    - Average daily traffic was 869 cars, 85th percentile was 34 mph and the average was 24 mph. No action warranted.
  - Campbell Parkway by Eastmorland
    - Joplin schools requested it be looked into. Average daily traffic was 1129 cars, 85th percentile was 33 mph and the average was 27 mph. No action warranted.
  - Turk Ave south of Zora
    - Not a good candidate for Traffic Calming as it is a dead end.
  - Goetz Blvd
    - PD put it on their list to look into. Study may be performed based on the results PD finds and need for sidewalk analyzed.
  - St Louis Ave 7th to Murphy
    - Need for sidewalks to be analyzed, not a good candidate for Traffic Calming.
  - 32nd Street Schaff-Country Club
    - Have yet to do speed study due to condition of road.
  - 15th and Murphy
    - In the process of looking at crash reports and planning to get traffic counts and turning movements.
    - Is there enough traffic for a 4-lane or would a 3-lane suffice? Should a roundabout be put in?
  - Hawthorne 33rd to 38th and Quail Ridge Drive are recently received so we are still processing those.
- Sign Requests
  - 34th and Alabama
• Dead end sign installed.
  o 27th and Washington
    • Dead end sign installed.
  o 17th and Cleveland
    • Dead end sign installed.
  o Roosevelt 20th-22nd
    • No parking request; currently working on.
  o 22nd and Connor-Main
    • Request to move no parking south side of road.
  o St Louis Ave Frisco trail area
    • Deer crossing sign request; will install.
  o St Johns Blvd near Irving Elementary
    • Request for study for school zone; currently working on.
  o Highview near Eastmorland
    • Request for study for school zone; speed study conducted but will do another one now that school has started. Also, will send staff to observe.

**Other Business:**

- Yellow flashing light at 24th and Connecticut instead of a stoplight.
- Roundabout at St Louis and Campbell to help with speeding and difficult road angles.
- Sidewalks on St Louis and Connecticut due to the amount of pedestrians walking.
- Any pedestrians ever hit on 4th street?
- Timing of light on Wall and 4th St.
  - On the system with Main St; unable to fix without messing up 4th and Main.
- Meeting adjourned.

Michael Mayer, Traffic Commission Chair

Dakota Rusk, Traffic Engineer