Traffic Commission

Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2022 @ 6:00pm

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

Roll Call:

- Members Present: Michael Mayer, Cassandra Maxfield, Shawn Hull, James Fleischaker, Richard Schurman, John Bowling
- City Staff Present: Dakota Rusk, Civil Engineer

Approval of Minutes:

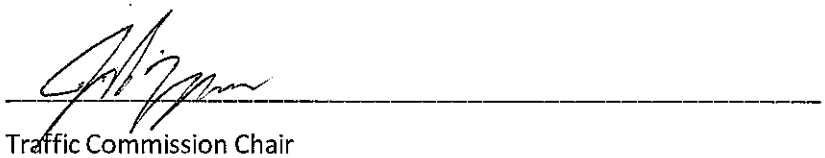
- Approval of the Minutes of the January 13, 2022 meeting.

Discussion Topics:

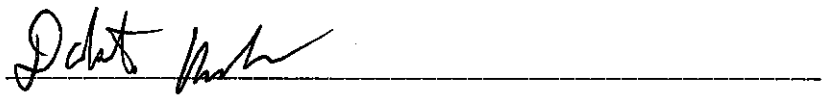
- Moment to Honor the Police Department
  - Resolution passed to honor Officer Reed and Cpl. Cooper.
- High School Crossing
  - Contract going to City Council March 21st to enter into contract with CJW for the study of the area and recommendations.
  - Scope of the study is pedestrian and traffic counts, geometry of the area, recommendation of crossing option to comply with federal guidelines.
- Arbor Road
  - Right on the edge of warranting traffic calming measures.
  - In conjunction with the ongoing construction of 32nd Street, looking at putting out speed humps on a temporary basis.
  - Depending on the effectiveness and feedback of the residents, they may become permanent.
  - Committee passes a motion to support the installation of speedhumps on Arbor Road.
  - Data and recommendations are based off of the 85th percentile speed.
  - At a future meeting, could be residents from the neighborhood attending to voice concerns.
  - There will be three sets of speed humps installed total and they will be spread out to help slow down traffic along the length of the road.
  - The speed humps are similar height to the bumps at the library but are much more gradual.
- Signal System Study
  - Agreement going to Council on the 21st of March for a city-wide signal study to be performed.
  - Recommendations will be made to implement into the upcoming CIST Program.
  - Biggest focus will be on getting the signals interconnected.
  - The study will also involve timing recommendations for a few selected corridors such as potentially Connecticut Avenue.
  - Is it in the scope of the study to consider roundabouts instead of signals?
    - Not in the scope of this work.

Other Business:

- Radar speed limit signs
    - They are not on Sundays. Any reason?
        - Unsure of why.
- Coyote Drive south of Shoal Creek
    - Problems with wrecks and speed limits being too high.
    - Outside the city limits of Joplin.
- Speeding Complaints being looked into
    - Adele south of 26th Street
    - Annie Baxter near 23rd and 24th Street.



Traffic Commission Chair



Dakota Rusk, Traffic Engineer