Traffic Commission

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2022 @ 6:00pm

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

Roll Call:

- Members Present: John Bowling, Shawn Hull, James Fleischaker, Richard Schurman
- City Staff Present: Dakota Rusk, Civil Engineer; Sergeant Delzell, Traffic Sergeant; Michael Chase, Administrator Assistant

Approval of Minutes:

- Approval of the Minutes of the July 14, 2022, meeting.

Discussion Topics:

- Adele Avenue south of 26th Street Speeding
  - Speed study reviewed; the median speed was 20 mph, 85th percentile was 26 mph
  - Trailer for traffic control didn't have any variation.
  - Sergeant Delzell and Dakota agree that Adele Ave does not warrant further action at this time
  - A speed limit sign has been place.
  - Agreed to close out this issue
- High School Crossing
  - Proposed Crosswalk will be a crosswalk with a concrete refuge island
  - Consultant is currently working on a design and a location.
  - Location hasn't been yet determined.
  - Project will be a cost share between the city and the school
- Rangeline bridge closure
  - Traffic concerns, lack of signage leading into residential areas, corresponding with MoDOT.
- 26th street
  - Speeding problems reported
  - Speed bumps being placed on 26th Street soon in the straightaway on the east side.
  - Curves should act as traffic calming.
  - Access is not closed at 29th Street at Rangeline.
  - Continue to monitor the traffic situation.
- Davis Blvd at 32nd Street
  - Issues with traffic hitting closure
  - Problems with traffic making U turns on 32nd St. at Davis Blvd to get around the no left turn closure.
  - Original intent was to prevent stacking into the railroad tracks
- 24th Street
  - Issues with additional traffic through the residential areas.
  - Confusion caused by the layout of the intersection at 24th and Texas.

    - Traffic driving through neighborhood trying to get to the south without realizing only place to cross the railroad tracks is Connecticut Ave.
    - Problem may solve itself over time as driver's find the routed needed to detour around the closure.
- Contractor has incentives to finish bridge project early, and penalties if not completed on schedule
- Landreth Ave speed study yet to be completed.
    - There are natural speed deterrents, hill and trees.
- Logan Rd. speed study to be completed.
- Traffic signal study is ongoing.
    - Inventory of equipment to be started soon.
- Speed signs on McConnell from 32nd will be looked into.
    - Street is one of the few that goes through from 32nd to 36th.
- Euclid Ave
    - Residential street with a 35-mph speed limit
- Duquesne Road south of MSSU has speed limit changes from 35 to 45 back to 35.
    - The middle stretch that is 45 will be changed to 35 to be consistent and there is now many more houses along that stretch.

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Traffic Commission Chair

Dakota Rusk, Traffic Engineer