

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMISSION

September 11, 2019

Municipal Court Room-Oak Creek Police Department

1) Members in Attendance

Ralph Kneusel, Mike Havey, Andy Sagan, Rudy Umbs and Ashley Kiepczynski

2) Review of Minutes

Motion by Rudy Umbs and seconded by Ralph Kneusel to approve the minutes from July 10, 2019.
(5 Ayes, 0 Nays)

3) Old Business

A. None

4) New Business

A. Request to install “NO PARKING ANYTIME” signs on east side of S. 25th Street/W. Crabapple Lane from W. Carrington Avenue to Crabapple Court.

- a. The resident that made the request was not in attendance. The resident’s main concern is safety when cars are parked on both sides of the road throughout the curve where S. 25th Street turns into W. Crabapple Lane. The committee received an email on 9/9/2019 from a resident, not in attendance, that is against the request: “The traffic here is very light, no thru traffic only residents, and speed limit is low. There is not a need to limit and/or inconvenience residents and their visitors. Fire trucks, police, snow plows and garbage trucks have always completed their jobs without problems.”
- There were 5 residents in attendance for this item. The residents at the meeting were not in support of the request. They are concerned there will not be any parking available and will be an inconvenience. Andy Sagan explained the distance vehicles must be parked from a driveway (4-ft), crosswalk (15-ft) and hydrant (10-ft). The commission discussed the limited allowable parking on the west side of the S 25th Street/W. Crabapple Lane curve given the driveway spacing, hydrant and crosswalk at that location.

Motion to approve the request to install “NO PARKING ANYTIME” signs on east side of S. 25th Street/W. Crabapple Lane from W. Carrington Avenue to Crabapple Court, made by Ralph Kneusel, and seconded by Rudy Umbs.

0 – Ayes

5 – Nays

B. Request to install “NO PARKING ANYTIME” signs on west side of S. McGraw Drive from Meadowview Drive to E. David Lane (Meadowview Elementary School).

- a. There was one resident in attendance for this item and was in support of the request. The resident’s main concern is the safety of children crossing S. McGraw Drive before/after school when traffic is parked along both sides of S. McGraw Drive. This request was made prior to school starting in September 2019 and the resident did not have the opportunity to assess the current situation. Members of the committee monitored the parking situation on McGraw during the morning drop off and after school pick up for several days the week of 9/3/2019 & 9/9/2019 and did not see any safety concerns. There was an average of two cars parked along the east side of S. McGraw Drive in the afternoon and no cars parked along the west side of S. McGraw. Rudy Umbs described the modifications made to traffic flow at Meadowview Elementary School this year compared to last year and agreed, when the location was evaluated during the Safe Routes to School study one to two years ago (prior to the change in traffic flow for drop off/pick up), there was an issue with vehicles

parking along both sides of S. McGraw drive and children crossing the street. The resident has asked if this location can be re-evaluated as the school year continues, when the weather becomes cold and more children are being dropped off instead of walking to school. The commission agreed to table the discussion and continue to evaluate the parking on S. McGraw Drive over the next few months.

Motion to approve the request to install "NO PARKING ANYTIME" signs on west side of S. McGraw Drive from Meadowview Drive to E. David Lane (Meadowview Elementary School), made by Rudy Umbs, and seconded by Mike Havey.

0 – Ayes

5 – Nays

5) Adjournment (7:40 pm)

Motion to adjourn by Ashley Kiepczynski and seconded by Andy Sagan. (5 – Ayes, 0 – Nays)

Respectfully submitted,



Ashley Kiepczynski
Secretary, Traffic and Safety Commission