

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
December 20, 2017

COMMISSION PRESENT: Frank Pyles, Fred Davis, Mike Kilkenny, Brent Bybee and Michael Holloran

ABSENT MEMBERS: Donna Lawrence and vacant position

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Russ Brown – Council Representative, Chris Harrell – Transportation Manager, Jeff Kienlen – City Police and Cindy Keever – Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: none

Michael Holloran made a motion to approve the November minutes. Mike Kilkenny seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Status of No Left Turn on Washington onto 6th Place (alley) and No Left Turn on 6th Place (alley) onto Washington

Chris Harrell told the Commission orange flags will be installed at the top of the newly installed signs which should alert drivers of new signs.

2) 7th & Pomona – Site Visibility Issues Status

Short discussion was held regarding reminder that Codes Enforcement had been notified and no further action was needed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) 10th & I Street – Visibility Issue

Members were not sure of the exact problem because issue was brought to commission member Donna Lawrence and she was absent from the December meeting. Discussion was held and Dale McCabe said the SW corner of the intersection has some pine bushes that could be causing a problem. Other possibilities causing problems could be the retaining wall on the SW corner and the intersection is on an incline too. The need to stop then proceed forward with caution was suggested but item will be forwarded to the January meeting in case other unknown issues are being experienced.

B) Request to Make 10th & Thompson a 4-Way Stop

Chris Harrell received a call from a citizen concerned about the danger at the intersection and requesting a 4-way stop. Dale showed a map of the area and talked about the suggestions from the Transportation Study Plan and the alternative plan that was chosen which includes

improvements for pedestrian and bicycles. According to the TSP nothing will happen to this intersection until 19th Street is punched through to the hospital.

C) Availability of Parking in the Downtown

A discussion was held regarding parking in the downtown area. Second Street specifically does not have “T” and “L” striping for the cars. Some people like that while others feel it wastes space. No perfect solution. A couple areas were also mentioned to the Transportation Manager that need freshened up with paint.

D) Blue Zone Group

The Blue Zone Group and what it means to The Dalles was discussed. Dale explained his role in the group and said at this time they have two marquee projects. 1) Mill Creek Trail and 2) 19th & Dry Hollow Intersection. These are preliminary discussions and things could change before plans are solidified.

E) West 2nd Street Utility Improvement Project

Dale gave a brief description of the upcoming project. Project will be on W 2nd Street between Webber and Hostetler Street and will commence the first part of January with the completion projected by the end of this coming June.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Fred Davis moved to adjourn. Mike Kilkenny seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Keever
Administrative Secretary
City of The Dalles Public Works

Final approval

Frank Pyles