



Transportation Committee Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda
4. Motion to Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 21, 2021
5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Reports for June 2021
6. Public Comment
7. Reports:
 - a. Public Works Manager's Report
8. Unfinished Business
 - a. Review Progress of Vaughn/Magnolia Project - Discussion
 - b. Slow Down West Peoria - Discussion
 - c. Radar Sign Update - Handout
9. New Business
10. Public Comment
11. Adjournment

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Transportation Committee Official Minutes

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Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Chair Silver called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Members present were Chair Silver, Alderpersons Thomas and Edmonds. Also present were City Administrator Krider, Alderperson Dohm, guests Priscilla Peterson and Sharon Kennedy, and Deputy Clerk Zych. Public Works Manager Strube attended remotely.
3. There was one Addition to the Agenda: Item 9a. Sidewalk Petition – Laura Avenue.
4. A Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 21, 2021 was made by Alderperson Edmonds and seconded by Alderperson Thomas. **Motion carried.**
5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Report for June 2021 was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. **Motion carried.**
6. No Public Comment was offered.
7. Reports:
 - a. Public Works Manager's Report
 - Doing basic summertime maintenance work on the streets
 - Going behind contractor on Ardmore sidewalk project and doing blacktop fill
 - North side should be complete next Tuesday
 - Plan to be starting on south side at the west end next week
 - Alderperson Thomas thanked Public Works for the work on Richmond but still gets some water
8. Unfinished Business
 - a. Review Progress of Vaughn/Magnolia Project – Manager Strube summarized the meeting he, Administrator Krider and the Mayor had with Terra Engineering on Wednesday. The engineers have drawn up all the topography on the project and have come up with three scenarios of the technique to be done to get water draining correctly. They have been asked to provide cost estimates for the three different areas needing to be addressed. Terra was asked to go back and provide estimates with the lower part getting more retention sooner than the upper section. ***They will be getting back to us by our September meeting.*** The estimates will be on what the engineers believe the project will cost.
 - b. Slow Down West Peoria – Administrator Krider has been doing a lot of research on permissible speed limits and consulted IDOT and the State Statutes. The documentation is difficult to interpret and there were a number of questions. ***Members will be emailed a copy of the definitions of Urban District, its regulations vs. Residential District, its regulations for setting speed limits for further discussion.*** Also, she stated that any changes lowering limits will require a speed study. In discussion it was suggested researching further and perhaps reaching out to Peoria's City Engineer to see how they were able to get speed limits lowered. There are numerous streets in West Peoria that have 15 mph speed limits. According to State definition,

15 mph speed limit is allowed for alleyways. ***Administrator Krider will do some further studying as well and reach out to some other engineers.***

- c. Radar Sign Update – The Committee was presented a Charts Report for the City’s radar sign data from July 3 through July 15 on Waverly, southbound at Clark, coming from Heading. A copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. The first 7 days of data collection, the sign had a blank screen as vehicles passed. Where you see the decrease in numbers, that’s when the sign was displaying speeds. There was some question about the numbers from July 3 -9 vs. 10-15 as the report captures all cars and there’s a large disparity in the numbers. ***The City Administrator will get with Public Works employee Chase Burgess to learn how the data is captured and how to present the data collected to ensure accuracy and ease of interpretation.***

Administrator Krider announced that the City is in the process of purchasing another radar sign, same model but has now been upgraded with blinking red and blue lights, battery prices have gone down and longer lasting. The price did not increase much from the initial purchase. It will be on the City Council agenda for September 14th after passing through Finance. Consensus was, based on the data presented, when the sign is on, the sign is definitely a deterrent for speeders.

9. New Business

- a. Sidewalk Petition Laura Ave. – The need to get the petition in by September 1st was discussed. Also, it was mentioned that recently a resident on Cortland Ave. took a sidewalk petition. It was recommended to contact the individual and make him aware of the deadline as well. ***Both residents will be contacted about turning in their petitions.***

10. Public Comment

- Ms. Peterson commented on the Radar Report noting fastest time period around 5:30 p.m. which coincides with what members on Facebook have been saying, people in a hurry to get home from work.
- In response to comments about the amount of speeding on Western Avenue, Ms. Kennedy suggested asking the Mayor to consider a coordinated effort with the County and the new Peoria Police Chief to perform dual radar on Western Avenue. The City has no control over setting speed limits on Western as it is a State route. There has been some discussion about narrowing the 4 lanes to 2 in an effort to slow down the traffic.

11. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Thomas at 6:03 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. **Motion carried.**

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Respectfully submitted,



Pam Zych, Deputy City Clerk

