



## Traffic Commission

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### CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION December 14, 2016

At the Traffic Commission meeting of University City held in the Heman Park Community Center, on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, Chairman Jeff Hales called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. In addition to Chairman Hales, the following members of the commission were present:

- Jeffrey Mishkin
- Bob Warbin
- Curtis Tunstall

Also in attendance:

- Angelica Gutierrez (non-voting commission member – Public Works Liaison)
- Errol Tate (incoming 2017 Public Works Liaison)
- Sinan Alpaslan (Public Works Director)
- Police Department Sergeant Shawn Whitley (non-voting commission member – Police Department Liaison)
- Councilmember Bwayne Smotherson (non-voting commission member—Council Liaison)

Absent (excused):

- Eva Creer
- Derek Helderman
- Mark Barnes

### 3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Tunstall moved to approve the agenda and was seconded by Mr. Mishkin. The motion carried unanimously.

### 4. Approval of the Minutes

#### A. November 9, 2016 Minutes

Mr. Mishkin made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2016 meeting and was seconded by Mr. Tunstall. The motion carried unanimously.

### 5. Agenda Items

#### a. Stop Sign Request on Raymond Ave. at Melrose Ave.

Ms. Gutierrez presented the request to the commission from Bwayne Smotherson on behalf of John Cross requesting the stop sign at Raymond at Melrose. Despite record of traffic accidents, the sightline is limited and due to the geometry of the intersection, staff recommended that installation of a stop sign on Raymond and removal of the yield sign on Melrose.



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Councilmember Smotherson stated that he has observed traffic on Melrose not observing the yield sign to traffic on Raymond.

Dr. Warbin confirmed that the change would require traffic on Raymond to stop and traffic on Melrose would have the right of way. Ms. Gutierrez confirmed.

Mr. Hales asked if the installation of the stop sign would impact residential parking in front of the homes. Ms. Gutierrez stated that they do not anticipate an issue.

Sgt. Whitley stated that the police department supports the change.

Dr. Warbin made a motion to accept the recommendation of staff and was seconded by Mr. Tunstall. The motion carried unanimously.

### **b. Residential Parking Permit Request – Asbury Ave.**

Ms. Gutierrez presented the completed residential parking petition provided to the Scudieris at the November meeting. Staff verified the signatures on the petition and 100% of the affected households were in agreement. Staff recommended approval.

Mr. Hales asked and Ms. Gutierrez confirmed that the times will be consistent with Forsyth's residential parking restrictions.

Mr. Mishkin moved to accept the recommendation of staff to implement the residential parking permit on Asbury and was seconded by Dr. Warbin. The motion carried unanimously.

### **6. Council Liaison Report**

None.

### **7. Miscellaneous Business**

Mr. Hales asked if the commission would be getting an update on Centene following the recent significant changes to their plans. He asked if there would be a need for a different parking study.

Mr. Mishkin asked what changes have been made. Mr. Hales stated that it had been published on NextSTL.com that the location for the auditorium had been moved, as well as the residential portion of the development and the number of garage parking spaces had been reduced. Mr. Hales asked if Centene had provided staff with any information on the changes.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that the city has not received any updated plans and informed the commission that it will be informed of any changes and new information.



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Mr. Mishkin asked if the council has been asked to look at the Centene project. Councilman Smotherson indicated that it has not yet come before the council. Ms. Gutierrez also stated that the plan commission has yet to make a recommendation on the proposed rezoning until there is an official request and plans brought to the commission.

Mr. Alpaslan said that he had heard from Clayton that utility work has begun on the first portion of the project and anticipates that Centene will come back with an application for rezoning.

Mr. Hales stated that the only aspect of the changes that seemed particularly applicable to the traffic commission was the reduction in parking spaces and potential impacts.

Mr. Hales stated that in a discussion with his neighbor, he discovered that the city code for parking restrictions on Hanley Rd. is not consistent with the county and asked if that could be looked into. If the county traffic code is the prevailing code, he suggested the commission recommend making our codes consistent. Ms. Gutierrez stated that the county will sometimes make changes to county traffic code on county roads in University City without informing University City. She suggested that the city ask the county for other recent changes to county roads in University City. Mr. Mishkin suggested that the city ask for the County's list of changes each year and Ms. Gutierrez stated that could be done.

Mr. Hales thanked Ms. Gutierrez for all of her work on the Traffic Commission and for the city and welcomed Mr. Errol Tate who will be the new Staff Liaison for the Traffic Commission.

Ms. Gutierrez thanked the commissioners for the nine years she served as Traffic Commission Staff Liaison.

### **8. Adjournment.**

Dr. Warbin made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Tunstall. The motion unanimously carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm

Minutes prepared by Jeff Hales, Traffic Commission Chairman & Secretary