

TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING  
Heman Park Community Center  
975 Pennsylvania Avenue, University City MO 63130

Date. 1-9-19

1. Call to Order At 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Stewart

2. Roll Call Commission Chairman Stewart called the roll and the following were Present

Jeff Zornes	Commissioner
Bart Stewart	Commissioner
Dennis Fuller	Commissioner
Jane Schaefer	Commissioner
Craig Hughes	Commissioner
Jeffrey Mishkin	Commissioner
Errol Tate	Staff Liaison
Sinan Alpaslan	PWP Director
Jeffrey Hales, Jr.	Council liaison
Shawn Whitley	Police Liaison
John Mulligan	City Attorney

3. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Fuller made a motion to approve the Agenda for the 1/9/18. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hughes and approved by a unanimous voice vote of the commission.

4. Approval of 12-9-18 Minutes. Commissioner Stewart requested minutes be changed as follows: Item 8 Adjournment; Change "Starnes" to "Zornes." Motion to approve the 12/9/18 minutes as amended was made by Commissioner Mishkin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of the commission.

5. Agenda items

A. Trinity Parking Restriction: (See illustrations provided by City and Resident Janet Pierson)

(1.)Applicant : City of Univ. City requesting to Restrict parking on the east

side of Trinity Ave. From Washington to the Alley entrance to the south of the COCA building. Current Traffic Practices Guide states “ if a street is two way and the width is 28 feet wide or less Parking should not be allowed.” This is the case for Trinity Ave. in this location. (Refer to the illustrations provided by the city.)

(2). The following general discussion points were made:

a. Current restriction is on West side of Trinity, from Washington to the alley. Parking will continue from alley to Kingsbury.

b. New request will eliminate about eight parking spots.

c. Councilman Hales provided the following background info.; COCA Dir. Ryan initially requested a temporary parking restriction @ Nov. 2017 . This request was made about 3 yr. ago as a conditional use permit. COCA was planning on constructing a new North entrance on Washington. Constriction traffic was going to be going in and out of alley. COCCA initially put out their own No Parking signs on this stretch of Trinity. COCA Bus and cars were then parking on Trinity ( Note pictures provided by resident Janet Pierson of COCA bus parking.) Councilman Hales approached City Manager to make this parking restriction request. Request is to make it a permanent restriction at this time and then this can be revisited in the future.

d. Request to speak: resident Cirri Moran, 6652 Kingsbury. Added to Hales background. She attended initial meetings about parking at COCA @ 3 yr. ago. Moran requested no parking on Trinity at every parking / construction meeting. A conditional no parking permit was approved in April 17,2018 by planning commission. But this did not go through the city and people continued to park, double park and drop off and pick up from the trinity side as this was the only entrance. This has resulted in a mojour traffic bottle neck for residents of Ames Place and traffic on Trinity in General. COCA had a plan for children to exit Trinity and go to Washington side for pick-up... This just never happened.

e. Question from Commissioner Hughes to C. Moran. “ Would a Parking Time Restriction fm 6 AM to 6 PM work?” Moran replied “NO” because then students would be parking there and it would be difficult to enforce.

f. Request to speak: Beth McClure, 524 Trinity Ave. COCA. Admitted that last semester was problematic and are working to address with city. We (COCA) defers to the neighbors about the parking restriction on Trinity.

Main entrance for COCA will be on Washington, not Trinity. COCA supports No Parking on Trinity. Parking for COCA will now be in the new parking garage. COCA has re-reminded parents about dropping off and pick up on Trinity and NO Double parking and have told parents that COCA has communicated with police to help enforce when construction is finished, all will be directed to use main entrance and Trinity will only be used on / for special occasions. Most COCA use is between hours of 4PM to 9 PM. When school is on and then during day in the summer. We are now working with front desks staff to enforce the no parking.

f. City Attorney Mulligan :” Temporary No Parking signs went in place in November and will expire in 90 days. (Feb.)

g. With no further discussion or comments, Commissioner Stewart entertained Motions for action.

Commissioner Schafer made the following motion: To restrict parking on the east side of Trinity Ave. From Washington to the Alley entrance to the south of the COCA building.

The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hughes Motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of the commission.

- B. Delmar - Traffic Calm: (For pedestrian crossings) Applicant: Pedestrians,
- (1) Staff presented for proposals for slowing traffic at the pedestrian crossings at Vassar Ave. and Center Ave. (See attached proposals prepared for City by John Hock of GBA Architects / Engineers). Three design proposals were presented for discussion and feedback from the traffic commission for the purpose of requesting some action from the county.
  - (2) After discussion, the “Middle-Median” proposal was determined to be the least desirable option.
  - (3) Mr. Tate cautioned that this will be a recommendation to the County. County does not have to do anything we request and in past has refused to put in any crosswalk signals at either location.
  - (4) Commissioner Stewart will contact St. Louis Co. Counsel Rep for this area (Lisa Clancy) to the next council meeting to discuss and possibly help us influence the county to consider our proposal. Mr. Tate agreed to contact the Co. Engineer for the same purpose. +

6. Council Liaison Report: Mr. Hales had no report but asked for commission members attendance at the next city council meeting.

7. Miscellaneous Business: None presented.

8. Adjournment: No further business appearing, Commissioner Stewart entertained Motions for Adjournment.

Commissioner Schafer made a motion to adjourn.

The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Zornes.

Motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of the commission.

With no further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Fuller