

**MEETING SUMMARY
CITY OF CARROLLTON
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 12, 2015**

Committee Members Present

John P. Denholm III
Peter Sharrow
Robin Chavez
Elayne Fairchild
Carolyn Sees
Howard Saltzman
Luke Schmidt
Michael Gorman

Committee Members Absent

Ronald Edwards

Staff Members and City Officials

Tom Hammons - Engineering
Carmella Flemming – Engineering
Sgt. Chuck Monroe – Carrollton Police Department
Bob Garza – Councilmember

- 1. Call to Order** – John Denholm called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
- 2. Introduction of New Members** – Tom Hammons introduced Michael Gorman, Howard Saltzman, and Luke Schmidt.
- 3. Selection of a Chairperson** – Carolyn Sees nominated John Denholm for the position of Chairperson. Seconded by Robin Chavez. All in favor. Vote was unanimous.
- 4. Selection of a Vice Chairperson** – Carolyn Sees nominated herself for the position of Vice Chairperson. Seconded by John Denholm. All in Favor. Vote was unanimous.
- 5. Approval of minutes for October 13, 2014.** The meeting Summary of the **October 13, 2014** TAC meeting was reviewed by Committee members. A motion to approve the Meeting Summary as written was made by Carolyn Sees. Seconded by Elayne Fairchild. All in favor. Vote was 7-1 (Peter Sharrow Abstained)
- 6. Jackson Road at N. Broadway – Multiway Stop (Tom Hammons)**

Tom Hammons explained that this case is regarding a multi-way stop at the intersection of Broadway and Jackson Road, approximately a mile west of City Hall in an industrial area where we expect to see some redevelopment in the future, and explained that it's a location that staff has looked at several times in the past dating back approximately five years when Broadway had stop control and Jackson had no stop control. Mr. Hammons explained this presented some visibility and accident issues so

staff completed an additional review, recommended and implemented reversing the stop control placing it on Jackson and making Broadway the through street.

This improved visibility but the City continues to receive complaints and requests for a multi-way stop. The intersection is at an angle which complicates visibility from Jackson Road and the existence of a DART column and numerous large trees affect visibility. In addition, four correctable accidents, right angle, were recorded over the past five years. A multi-way stop analysis was conducted at the intersection and the results of the analysis indicated that minimum traffic volumes and accidents for a multi-way stop were not met. However, a multi-way stop may be implemented based on an engineering study identifying other mitigating factors. Based on the data collected, Staff recommends that a multi-way stop control be implemented at the intersection of Broadway and Jackson Road.

Discussion among the committee members included, additional diversion of traffic onto Broadway due to the continued construction of IH-35, visibility and traffic conditions at the intersection, angle of the Jackson Road, advance warning signs of a stop, and new signage flags .

Robin Chavez made a motion to approve staff's recommendation that a multi-way stop be implemented at the intersection of Broadway and Jackson Road. Peter Sharrow seconded the motion. All in Favor. Vote was unanimous.

7. School Zone Policy Work Session – (Tom Hammons)

Tom Hammons presented data on public schools, private schools and charter schools in Carrollton, as well as current policies regarding school zones and crossing guards. The committee discussed the enrollment and operational differences between the school types and how current policies are applied to each type of school. The pedestrian activity at different school types (much higher at public schools) was discussed. The committee asked Staff to investigate the implications of treating charter schools like public schools as opposed to like private schools. The committee asked for the implications of basing policy on enrollment thresholds or pedestrian thresholds and asked for information regarding the locations of private and charter schools.

The committee discussed school zone policy implications and requested additional information to be discussed in the next worksession on this topic. This was a worksession item no vote was taken.

Resident Tanya Walker 1504 Reata Drive addressed the committee, with her concerns when the police officer is not present at Harmony School of Innovation in Carrollton, students are exiting vehicles on Rosemeade Blvd. and cutting across the school parking lot amongst moving traffic. She has also reported this to the Carrollton Police Department.

Other Business (John Denholm)

Tom Hammons announced that we will likely have a meeting in February. MUTCD has added traffic signal warrants in the last year or two so we are reviewing how to prioritize our signals to meet those new criteria.

Peter Sharrow made a motion to adjourn. Carolyn Sees seconded the motion. All in favor. Vote was unanimous.

8. Adjourned – Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

John Denholm, Chairperson

Tom Hammons
Transportation Engineering
Division Manager

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