

AGENDA: TSC 6/4/12

ITEM NO. 4: Consider request to permit Parking on Indiana Street between Sunflower Road & 17th Street.

Facts:

1. Indiana Street is classified as a 'local' street in a residential area and is paved 25 feet wide.
2. Parking is currently prohibited along both sides of this portion of Indiana Street; however, parking is permitted along one side in the half block north and the block south.

MINUTES: TSC 6/4/12

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report and noted that e-mail correspondence (attached) had been received and forwarded to each commissioner.

Public Comment:

None.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Ziegelmeyer: I think if you permit parking, you will make the situation worse.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROTHROCK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST TO PERMIT PARKING ON INDIANA STREET BETWEEN SUNFLOWER ROAD & 17TH STREET; THE MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

David Woosley

From: jill allen [jillallen3@att.net]
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2012 2:07 PM
To: David Woosley
Subject: traffic on Indiana

Hello Mr. Woosley,

I live at 1653 Indiana. I have been happy for the most part with the placement of the temporary roundabout in the 17th and Indiana intersection, but the more I live with it and think about it, I have decided that speed bumps on Indiana would be more effective in controlling the speed of traffic down Indiana between campus and 17th street.

My experience is that cars still barrel down Indiana, especially at night. They have plenty of time to do that and still slow down for the roundabout. There are lots of small children living in our neighborhood.

Large vehicles are frequently stuck between the curbs and the roundabout. This confuses traffic for sometimes 10 - 20 minutes.

I'm pretty sure that we would be happier with speed bumps.

Another idea for calming traffic would be to allow parking along one side of Indiana. It definitely slows the traffic on Louisiana between 17th and 18th. It would also make our lives easier by affording us more parking spaces. Our alleys are very crowded!

Thank you for considering my request.

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From: Alderson, Betty J.
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 9:07 AM
To: Transportation Safety
Subject: RE: June Traffic Safety Commission Agenda

David,

I have a potential conflict with the meeting time on June 4 and may not be able to attend the meeting. However, I have just read the request for parking on a part of Indiana near 17th St. I have driven that stretch of road for many years and find the traffic circle the easiest and most effective measure that I have seen to control the speed in that particular area. There are a number of student rentals in that area along Indiana and, at times, too many renters have resided in those houses with parking occurring illegally in the yards. That stretch north of 17th street is difficult enough to navigate now that I can't imagine the congestion if parking were allowed along there.

I do know that there are those in the University Place neighborhood who are not familiar with the amount of time and effort that went into getting the traffic circles approved--they didn't live there at the time, and the city has not seen fit to fund the permanent traffic circles which would have a much better design.

I would NOT be in favor of permitting parking along that stretch of Indiana nor of replacing the traffic circles with a different traffic calming device for they have worked as they were designed to do.

Betty Alderson



Sunnyside Ave

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W 17th St

Court St

Sunflower Rd

Louisiana St

Indiana St

Edgehill Rd

W 17th St

W 17th St

Mississippi St

W 18th St

W 18th St

Veterans Park