

AGENDA: TSC 7/6/15

ITEM NO. 3: Consider request to establish NO PARKING along Timberedge Road north of Lakeview Road.

Staff Report:

1. Timberedge Road is classified as a "local" street in an industrial area, paved approximately 26 feet wide with a speed limit of 30mph.
2. Parking is currently permitted along both sides of Timberedge Road.

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Public Comments:

Bob Nugent, 933 New Hampshire Street, City of Lawrence Transit Administrator: When large vehicles park along both sides of Timberedge, it is difficult, and sometimes impossible for City and KU buses to get from their facility to Lakeview Road.

Michael Sweeten, 1260 Timberedge Road, MV Transportation General Manager: We have discussed this problem with the business across the street and they said there was nothing they could do about it; they suggested that we ask the city to have No Parking established.

Danny Kaiser, 1501 Irving Hill Road, Assistant Director KU Parking & Transit: We are in support of the request for No Parking.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Crawford asked if it would be feasible to construct an access to the east of the property off Iowa Street; it was noted that there is no public right-of-way there, the property is privately owned.

Commissioner Koprince asked if No Parking was needed along one side or both sides of the street; Sweeten stated he didn't think it all needed to be removed.

Commissioner Jones asked if the drivers stayed with the vehicles or if they went inside; Sweeten stated that they do go inside sometimes and have even gone to sleep in the vehicles.

Commissioner Hoskinson asked if parking was restricted along one side, would there still be a problem in the area of the "S" curve; Sweeten advised that there would be.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD, TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHING NO PARKING OR STANDING ALONG BOTH SIDES OF TIMBEREDGE ROAD, FROM LAKEVIEW DRIVE, NORTH 1,235 FEET; THE MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

David Woosley

From: Robert Nugent
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2015 1:40 PM
To: David Woosley
Subject: Request for No Parking on Timberedge Road

As the Transit Administrator for Lawrence Transit it has come to my attention that parking along Timberedge Road has become detrimental to our provision of service and is resulting in a pattern of service failures. Therefore I would like to request to have Timberedge Road designated as No Parking.

We currently operate both Lawrence Transit and KU Transit out of our operating facility located at 1260 Timberedge Road. During our peak season we operate as many as 150 vehicles in and out of that facility daily. These buses vary in length between 25 to 40 feet and the widths range from 96 to 102 inches. The larger buses operate with an external turning radius of approximately 50 feet with an internal of 24 feet. During our morning pullout operation we can have as many as 50 vehicles leaving our property within a one hour period to head to their daily routing in various parts of the city.

We have been experiencing difficulties getting our vehicles both off of our property onto Timberedge Road, and off of Timberedge Road onto Lakeview Road. This is due to the number of over-the-road trucks that park along Timberedge Road. The issue is most evident on Monday mornings. The parking impedes our ability to exit our property in a safe manner. It also frequently delays our service from operating on our public timetable.

Staff has attempted to resolve the issue by talking to neighboring businesses with no success.

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