

## TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Monday, October 19, 2015 ◆ 2:30 p.m. Municipal Building, Third Floor Conference Room

## **Agenda**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Request of The University of Findlay, 1000 North Main Street, for a pedestrian activated light across North Main Street from new admissions office to the campus.

### 6/15/2015

Jones stated that the current signal crossings are too far away from The University of Findlay (UF) Admissions Office. The midblock crossing policy was reviewed. UF prefers to place a signal at the intersection of North Main Street and Allen Avenue. UF will pursue traffic study for signal. Jones stated that there are 30-40 people per day historically crossing over to the Admissions Office. There are more activities at the UF Armstrong Sports Complex at the corner of Trenton and Blanchard. Many more people are crossing Main Street from the main campus. Cobb stated that UF is acquiring more and more properties on the east side of Main Street as well. Director Schmelzer stated that a conventional signal at an existing intersection is preferable over a midblock crossing. Motion to table request by Councilman Monday, second by Director Schmelzer. Motion passed 4-0.

2. Request of Bob Kuhlman, 500 Fox Run Road, for additional 25 MPH signs on Saratoga off of Bright Road Fox Run Road and surrounding area streets.

### 8/17/2015

Mr. Kuhlman stated that his request is for Fox Run Road and surrounding area streets, not Saratoga. Mr. Kuhlman stated there are no speed limit signs on Fox Run Road, and streets to the south of Saratoga. He stated that there are many motorists who speed throughout this area. He doesn't know if installing speed limit signs will help. Motion to table request to gather further information on the Fox Run Road and surrounding area street, by Chief Eberle, second by Director Schmelzer. Motion passed 5-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Request of Tom DeMuth, City of Findlay Traffic Lights Department, to discuss the installation of flashing beacons for pedestrians crossing Broad Avenue at Davis Street.

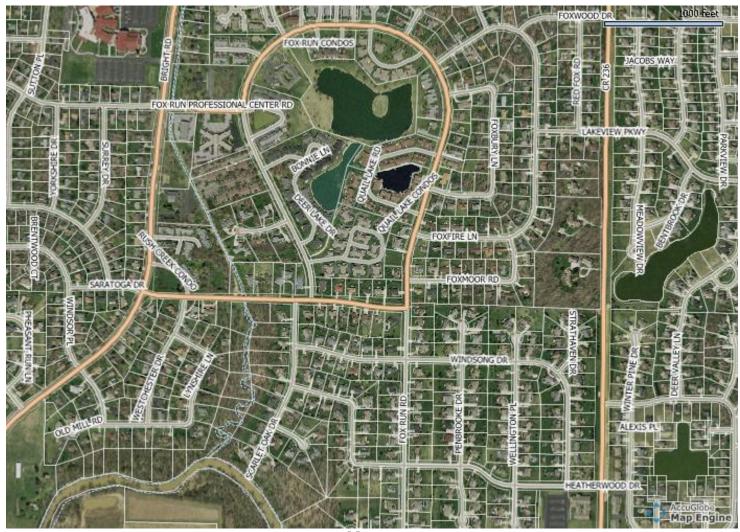


The Proposed Crosswalk would lie in the vicinity of Swing (vacated) near the Admissions Office. The University has expanded to the east side of N. Main Street, and this expansion now includes the Admissions Office, where tours for prospective students originate. Most families attempt to park at the Admissions Office, however, on certain days, 200 or more families, with an average of 5 people per family, utilize the Admissions Office, and must park on the west side of N. Main Street. For tours, these families are accompanied, and cross Main Street at the Howard Street signal. (The Main & Trenton intersection is too heavily travelled with too many heavy turn movements to provide a feeling of safety for guides or families). However, upon arrival, these individuals tend to cross at the most convenient location, near the Admissions office. The University is concerned about the safety of these families.

# ATTACHMENT A Application to Consider Marked Crosswalk at Mid-Block or Uncontrolled Location

APPLICANT INFORMATION			
NAME:	Martin L. Terry		
REPRESENTING:	The University of	Findlay	
STREET ADDRESS: 1000 North Main Street			
CITY:	Findlay	_ STATE:	Ohio ZIP CODE: 45840
TELEPHONE:	419-434-4521	_ E-MAIL:	terry@findlay.edu
LOCATION INFORMATION			
STREET: N. Main Street			
ROADWAY CLASSIFICATION: Principal Arterial			
LOCATION: At / near FEET N S E W OF Swing Ave. (Vac) (NEAREST STREET)			
PEDESTRIAN GENERATOR(S): The University of Findlay Admissions Office			
POSTED SPEED LIMIT: 35 MPH			CROSSING DISTANCE: 62 FEET
NEAREST PROTECTE CROSSING LOCATION		540'	FEET NS E V
NUMBER OF TRAVEL	LANES: 2 3	4 >4	RAISED MEDIAN? YES (NO
I request that consideration be given to establishing a marked crosswalk at the location stated. I understand that, as the applicant, I will be responsible for conducting the required evaluation and constructing/installing the required components, if approved.  Applicant Signature:  The Findlay Traffic Commission reviewed this application on			
Approves further evaluation Denies further evaluation			
Paul Schmelzer, Service	e-Safety Director		

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Request of Bob Kuhlman for additional 25 MPH signs on Fox Run Road and surrounding area streets.

## **Kathy Launder**

**From:** Paul Schmelzer <pschmelzer@findlayohio.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 03, 2015 10:29 AM

To: Kathy Launder

Cc:tdemuth@findlayohio.comSubject:FW: Broad Ave ped beacons

Kathy, add this to traffic commission agenda.

## Paul E. Schmelzer, P.E., P.S.

Safety - Service Director City of Findlay 318 Dorney Plaza, Room 310 Findlay, Ohio 45840

Phone: 419.424.7137

From: Demuth, Tom [mailto:tdemuth@ci.findlay.oh.us]

Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 7:29 AM

To: Paul Schmelzer

Subject: RE: Broad Ave ped beacons

i believe a beacon at Davis could be warranted being it is across from a main entrance, it does have crosswalks, and it is dark when school takes up. now whether the kids can pull there fingers away from their phones and use it is another story.

Thomas DeMuth Findlay Traffic Signals 419-424-7185

From: "Paul Schmelzer" <pschmelzer@findlayohio.com>

**Sent**: Thursday, October 1, 2015 3:35 PM **To**: "Demuth, Tom" < <a href="mailto:tdemuth@ci.findlay.oh.us">tdemuth@ci.findlay.oh.us</a>>

Subject: RE: Broad Ave ped beacons

I want to minimize beacon locations as much as possible... if you believe this is worth a discussion at traffic commission, I can have Kathy add it. We don't really need to have a resident apply.

Paul E. Schmelzer, P.E., P.S. Safety - Service Director City of Findlay 318 Dorney Plaza, Room 310 Findlay, Ohio 45840 Phone: 419.424.7137

----Original Message-----

From: Demuth, Tom [mailto:tdemuth@ci.findlay.oh.us] Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 1:22 PM

To: <a href="mailto:pschmelzer@ci.findlay.oh.us">pschmelzer@ci.findlay.oh.us</a> Subject: Broad Ave ped beacons

### Paul

A couple months ago we discussed installing flashing beacons for pedestrians crossing at Davis st. A lady just called about a near miss with a pedestrian and vehicle and was wanting to know what can be done. I told her we discussed it awhile back and told her to contact Kathy in the majors office and try to get something on the traffic commission agenda. Let me know what you think about it.

Sent from my iPhone=

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