

# <u>Agenda</u>

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Request of Grant Russel to review possibility of eliminating one traffic lane and adding parking on Beech Street between East Main Cross Street and East Sandusky Street.

#### 02/21/2017

Director Schmelzer stated that almost every time he turns onto Beech Street there is a delivery truck parked in one of the lanes. Councilman Monday asked how many parking spaces we would gain by eliminating a lane of traffic on Beech Street. Director Schmelzer stated approximately 15 parking spaces could potentially be created. Chief Eberle suggested a loading zone in each block if we move forward with the request to accommodate the delivery trucks.

Motion to table request until Engineering Department can develop a parking plan for Beech Street from East Main Cross Street to East Sandusky Street including one loading zone on the north side of the intersection of Beech Street and East Crawford Street, by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 03/20/2017

Motion to lift from table, by Director Schmelzer, second by Thomas. Motion passed 5-0.

Talked about putting parking on Beech. Thomas put together exhibit for additional parking on Beech. Can add a total of 15 parking spaces from Main Cross to Sandusky Street on Beech Street. Discussion ensued regarding flow of traffic on Beech Street. Schmelzer asked Thomas to take map and take same parking configuration but move it over to east and west and show the alleys up to Main Street and create pdf and put arrows on it as to which way motorists have to travel as posted now, then email out to commission members for review at next meeting.

Motion to table so that Thomas has a chance to put exhibit together so that if we are going to add parking to beech that we do so after looking at the full traffic pattern in the area, by Director Schmelzer, second by Councilman Monday. Motion passed 5-0.

Give copy of revised exhibit to larger property owners that abut Beech Street and have them attend the next Traffic Commission meeting.

#### 04/17/2017

Motion to lift item from table, by Thomas, second by Councilman Monday. Motion passed 4-0. Need to wait to make a decision until large property owners have been notified and invited to the meeting. Motion to table request, by Councilman Monday, second by Lt. Dunbar. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 06/19/2017 No action taken.

### 2. Request of Aaron Baxter to make Sherry Street from Pearl Street to Sixth Street one way northbound.

#### 04/17/2017

Mr. Baxter stated that Sherry Street is narrow, two cars cannot pass at the same time without going off the road into the yards. It is causing erosion on both sides of the street. Mr. Baxter inquired if the postal route needs to be considered when determining the direction of a one way. Councilman Monday stated that we need to be assured that the residents on the street are in favor of changing Sherry Street to one way. Mr. Baxter is responsible to obtain signatures of residents in favor of the one way.

Motion to table request until Mr. Baxter obtains signatures of residents in favor of changing Sherry Street to one way, and invite a representative of the US Post Office to address issue of postal route to the next meeting, by Councilman Monday, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 4-0.

06/19/2017 No action taken.

#### 3. Request of Councilman Ron Monday to review the left turn signalization from Fostoria Avenue onto Tiffin Avenue.

05/15/2017

Councilman Monday stated that a constituent had expressed to him that the directional signage on Fostoria Avenue at Tiffin Avenue is confusing. Discussion ensued regarding the left turn signal activation of the traffic signal. Schmelzer inquired why the hashes on pavement along the island along the eastbound lane are in place? Can it be changed to a lane of traffic to open up the intersection to allow for a dedicated left turn lane?

Motion to table to research history of hashes on pavement, by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 5-0.

06/19/2017 No action taken.

4. Request of Councilman John Harrington to review the traffic pattern around Jefferson School.

#### 5/15/2017

Acting Chief Dunbar stated that he has assigned the Special Assignment Unit to review the traffic pattern around Jefferson School. They are to have their report completed by May 24, 2017, to bring back to Traffic Commission. It is suggested to reach out to Dennis McPheron to attend the next meeting when it is discussed.

Motion to table, by Director Schmelzer, second by Thomas. Motion passed 5-0.

### 06/19/2017

Chief Dunbar stated that Sgt. Brian Dill with the Special Assignment Unit reviewed the area for best options for traffic pattern around Jefferson School. He spoke with school personnel as well as the residents in the area. The following are several proposals for consideration:

- A. Remove the No Parking restriction on Seventh Street between S. Main St. and Maple Ave. to allow for additional stacking.
- B. Make Washington Ave. between Sixth St. and Seventh St. No Parking during school hours.
- C. Make Maple Avenue between Seventh Street and Fairlawn Place one-way going southbound allowing two lanes of stacking.
- D. Make Fairlawn Place from Maple Ave. to Washington Ave. No Parking during school hours.
- E. Maple Avenue between Fairlawn Place and Pearl Street has already been made No Parking Any Time on both sides of the street.

Schmelzer requested that Chief Dunbar develop a map with the recommendations and forward to the Superintendent of Findlay City Schools for review. The net benefit of these recommendations is to get cars off of Sixth Street and increase bus maneuverability on Fairlawn Avenue.

Motion to have the Engineering Department create an exhibit to reflect proposals A, B, C, and D from Special Assignment Unit, and forward to Ed Kurt, Superintendent of Findlay City Schools, and Jefferson School Principal for review, by Director Schmelzer, second by Councilman Monday. Motion passed 5-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Request of members of the Tall Timbers Industrial Center to install a speed limit sign on Hamlet Drive.
- Request of Alison Newtown Mazey, 136 E. Pine Ave., for a "Caution Blind Person" sign be placed on Pine Ave. and Ash Ave. as well as the entrance to the alley that runs along the east side of 136 E. Pine Ave. Also requesting speed bumps be placed in the alley or that the alley be made one way (entrance off Ash Ave., exiting on Pine Ave.) due to excessive speed down the alley.
- 3. Request of Neil Allen, 503 W. Sandusky St., for installation of directional "One Way" signs on the southwest telephone pole at Hurd and W. Sandusky St. to advise east and west traffic on Sandusky St. that Hurd is one way.
- 4. Request of Joshua Romaker, 501 N. Blanchard St., for consideration of a pedestrian crosswalk with caution lights or a full fledged lighted intersection to be installed at the intersection of Interstate Drive and Northridge Road.

### **Kathy Launder**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Brian Thomas Thursday, June 29, 2017 3:15 PM Kathy Launder Traffic Commission

Kathy:

The Tall Timbers group would like a speed limit sign added to Hamlet Drive. They stated that with the long straight section off of TR 212 that some vehicles are going way over the 25 mile limit when they get to the curve by Rowmark. Please add this to the addenda for the July Traffic Commission Meeting.

Thank you,

## Brian A. Thomas, PE, PS, CPESC, CFM

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\*Nothing in these comments is to be construed as authorizing extra work for which additional compensation may be claimed without prior approval.



Notes Request for a speed limit sign on Hamlet Drive

### **Kathy Launder**

From:	A Newton <a.d.newton1967@gmail.com></a.d.newton1967@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 17, 2017 12:18 PM
То:	Traffic Commission
Subject:	Request for street signage

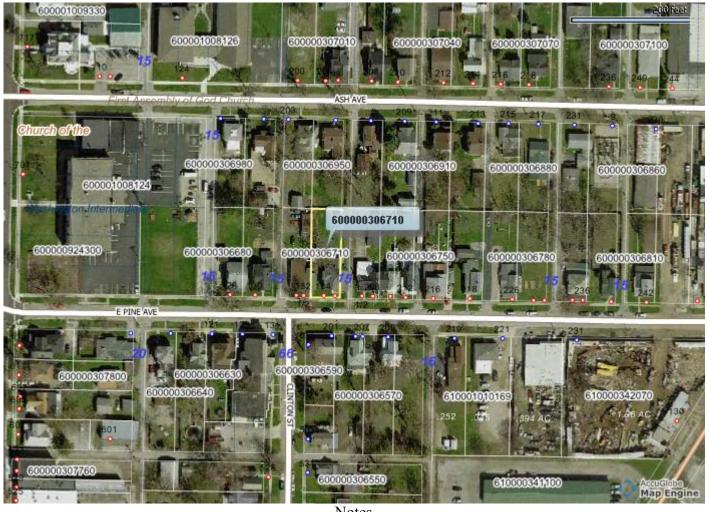
<u>Security Checkpoint:</u> External Email! Do not click on links or open attachments unless you trust the source and know the content is safe.

I live at 136 E. PINE Ave, Findlay. My significant other is a legally blind, disabled veteran. I am requesting that Caution Blind Person signs be placed on Pine Ave and Ash Ave as well as the entrance to alley way that runs along the east side of our residence.

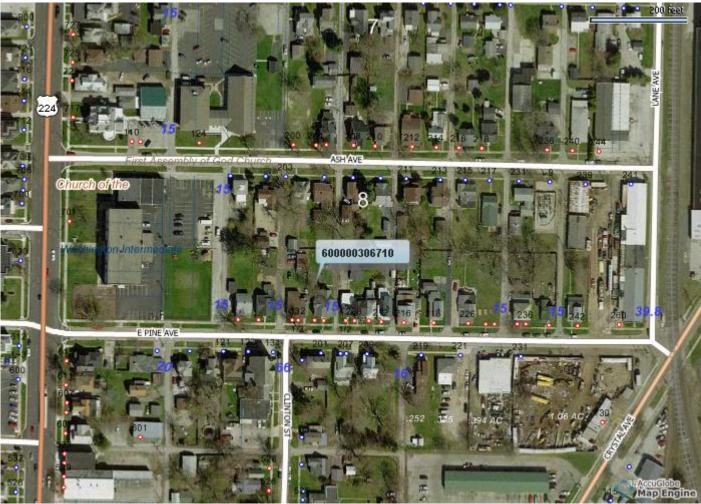
Also, since the City repaired the alley this spring; people are using the alley as a drag strip. I would like speed bumps placed in the alley or the alley be made one way (entrance off Ash, exit into Pine Ave). The speed on the streets near our residence concerns me because there are many children in the neighborhood.

Thank You for Your Time.

Sincerely, Alison Newton Mazey 136 E Pine Ave Findlay, Oh 45840 <u>419-306-8170</u>



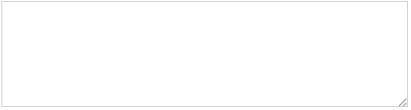
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503 W. Sandusky Street Findlay, Ohio 45840 July 1, 2017

Traffic Commission Mayor's Office City of Findlay Municipal Building Findlay, Ohio 45840

Traffic Commission Members:

My residence is located at the corner of Hurd and West Sandusky Streets. Hurd Street is one way traveling south to north. There is a "Do Not Enter" sign posted on the east side of Hurd Street at West Sandusky Street. This sign is not evident until you have already turned onto Hurd Street from West Sandusky Street.

Several accidents have occurred recently and many near misses have taken place due to drivers going the wrong way on this section of Hurd Street. Additionally, several families live in this area and the children are not always cognizant of cars driving the wrong way.

I am suggesting that the Traffic Commission consider authorizing the installation of directional "One Way" signs on the southwest telephone pole at Hurd and West Sandusky Streets, to advise east and west traffic on Sandusky Street that Hurd Street is one way.

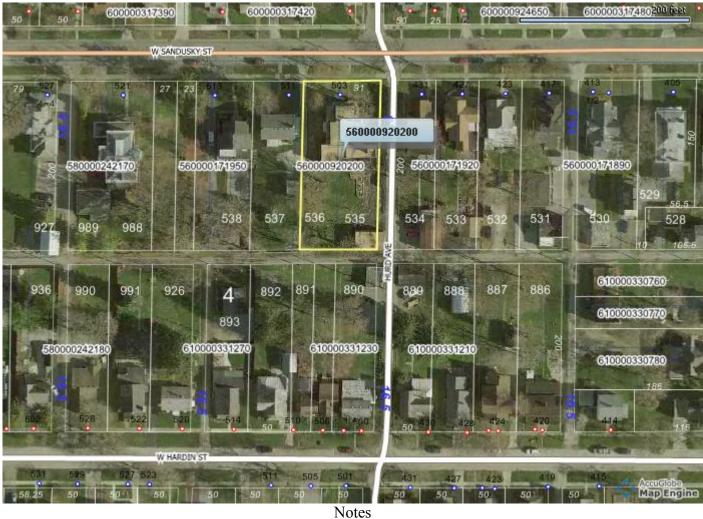
Directional "One Way" signs are currently in place at the intersections of Hurd and Lincoln and Hurd and Hardin Streets.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Neil Allen





### **Kathy Launder**

From:	Joshua Romaker <tootall183@yahoo.com></tootall183@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, June 19, 2017 4:41 AM
То:	TrafficCommission@FindlayOhio.com
Subject:	Re: Pedestrian Crosswalk Request

I forgot to add **this is not** a request from the Hilton Garden Inn. This is just a simple Findlay resident request.

Thanks,

Josh

On Monday, June 19, 2017 3:48 AM, Joshua Romaker <tootall183@yahoo.com> wrote:

Name: Joshua Romaker

Address: 501 N Blanchard St Apt 7 Findlay, Ohio 45840

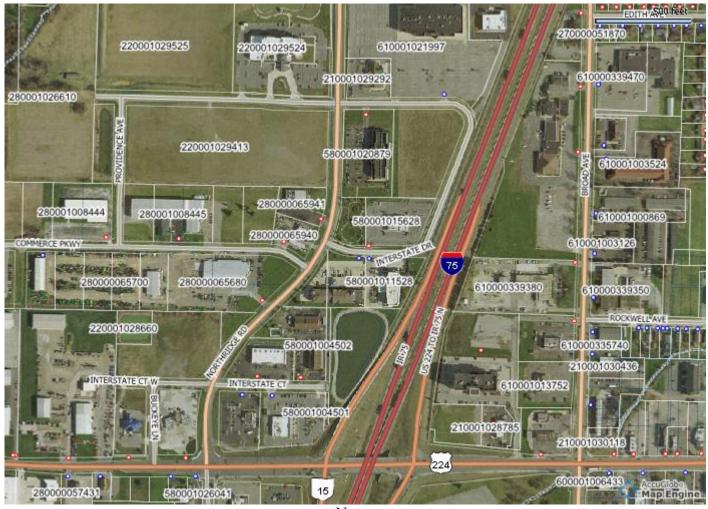
Phone: 419-575-7059

Email: tootall183@yahoo.com

I am requesting that consideration be given to the possibility of a pedestrian crosswalk with caution lights or a full fledged lighted intersection. To be installed at the intersection of Interstate Dr and Northridge Rd. I work 3rd shift at the Hilton Garden Inn. There is a decent amount of foot traffic from the hotel to beer barrel and to the movie theater. The new Holiday Inn is currently under construction and that will add to the pedestrian and traffic level. There is also always the chance of future commercial developments along that road.

Thanks for your consideration,

Josh



Notes Request for pedestrian crossing at Interstate Drive