



Agenda

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request to review pedestrian safety downtown Findlay.

6/17/2019

Councilman Grant Russel stated that a resident that was struck in a crosswalk recently downtown approached him with ideas to make downtown streets safer for pedestrians. A suggestion is to make all intersections in Downtown Findlay "No Turn on Red." Also, installing left turn lights on all traffic lights Downtown. DeMuth stated that plans are already in place for traffic light upgrades which will include left turn lights on all intersections that have left turn lanes in Downtown. Director Schmelzer stated that we can look at the Capital Plan, and in the interest of pedestrian safety downtown, we can move the request for signal upgrades up on the list to have them completed sooner.

Discussion regarding "No Turn on Red" during certain hours. Have not done research on other downtowns or how this affect the Uniform Traffic code. Used to be No Turn on Red prior to 2003. Director Schmelzer stated that it makes sense for special hours. May back up traffic. What do we want to do in the interest of pedestrian safety. See what introduction to no turn on red would make on stacking. Maybe not on Main Cross and Sandusky intersections, but all other intersections in downtown have the "No Turn On Red" designation. Have DGL take a look at. Demuth stated that if you can't see to turn right on red without entering into the crosswalk to see to turn, then it should be "No Turn On Red." Director Schmelzer stated this should be part of the criteria along with stacking. Director Schmelzer requested the Engineering Department to do a study on the intersections with the criteria and come back with a list of intersections and a map to determine where we want to introduce the No Turn On Red. If we don't have anything conclusive, then look at engaging DGL. Director Thomas will contact DGL for a cost to do the study, if needed.

Motion to review the Capital Plan as it relates to the traffic signal upgrades in Downtown to determine if those projects can be moved up in the schedule; have Engineering Department study each Main Street intersection in the Downtown using the two criteria for right turn on red: 1. Do you have to encroach into the crosswalk to make a decision as to whether or not it safe to move forward in your vehicle, and 2. Stacking, then bring it back for further discussion, by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Dunbar. Motion passed 4-0.

7/15/2019

Remains tabled.

8/19/2019

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

Director Thomas stated that they looked at the intersections downtown, looked at which intersections if you stop at the stop bar you can see and which ones you can't when you turn right. Director Thomas will be checking on pricing with DGL to do a model regarding stacking with data relative to traffic counts that we collected for the Downtown project, provide level of service projections for those intersections if those movements are restricted.

Motion to table request, by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Dunbar. Motion passed 5-0.

12/16/2019

Remains tabled.

2. Request of Cathy Weygandt, 204 Greenlawn Avenue, for a traffic signal at Sixth Street and Washington Avenue due to concerns of pedestrian and cyclist trying to cross over Sixth Street.

8/19/2019

Lee Weygandt stated that it is difficult and dangerous to cross Sixth Street at Washington Avenue. Suggests installing a signal similar to the one at South Main Street and Baldwin Street, a traffic tripped light and a button to push for pedestrians. Some children cross there to get to Jefferson School. Would like a study done. Director Thomas stated that there are crosswalks there but no signal. Schmelzer wants to differentiate between how long you have to wait to cross a busy road and something we would put in place to actuate to stop traffic. Would take a look at adding a midblock crossing with signalization if a significant number of students cross there to get to Jefferson School. Would like to see what the changes look like around Jefferson School before making a decision. Will be doing additional monitoring in the area due to changes we are making around Jefferson School and will monitor this area as well.

Motion to table request pending additional investigation and analysis of the proposed changes of traffic patterns around Jefferson School, by Director Schmelzer, second by Councilman Slough. Motion passed 5-0.

10/21/2019

Director Schmelzer requested Chief Dunbar to place the camera trailer near the intersection of Washington Avenue and Sixth Street to monitor the number of cars and pedestrians at this intersection, and bring back results.

11/18/2019

Item remains tabled.

3. Request of Sonja Huffman, Center Street Block Watch, to make the intersection of Center Street and Carnahan Street a four-way stop.

9/16/2019

Ms. Huffman stated that Findlay is growing and more people are going to Riverside Park. There are also more activities going on at Riverside Park than there used to be. Ms. Huffman stated that members of the block watch approve the intersection Center Street and Carnahan Street becoming a four-way stop. Director Thomas stated that the City does not install stop signs for speed control. Traffic warrants need to meet requirements for an intersection to become a four-way stop. Motion to obtain traffic counts for Center Street and bring back to Traffic Commission for consideration of a four-way stop at Center Street and Carnahan Street, by Chief Eberle, second by Chief Dunbar. Motion passed 3-0.

10/21/2019

Director Thomas stated that there is some merit to activity of summer vs. non summer traffic. Traffic counts will be taken as soon as able to do so.

12/16/2019

Item remains tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request of Bob Roberts, 514 Scott Avenue, for stop signs in north/south alley at 614 Winfield and 619 Winfield due to motorists not stopping when pulling out onto Winfield from the alley.
2. Request of Randy Joseph, Ohio Stor N Lock, to allow directional signage to the self-storage facility located at 1744 Romick Parkway to be placed in the right-of-way area on Bright Road at Romick Parkway and Melrose Avenue and Keith Parkway.
3. Request of Michael Krouse for a "No Outlet" sign at the entrance to Ithica Court off Remington Street.
4. Discussion of lane light replacement lights scope and cost. (midblock crossings and signalization)
5. Discussion of installing a guard rail on the south side of the 300 block of Center Street west of the railroad tracks.
6. Discussion of speed bumps in alleys.

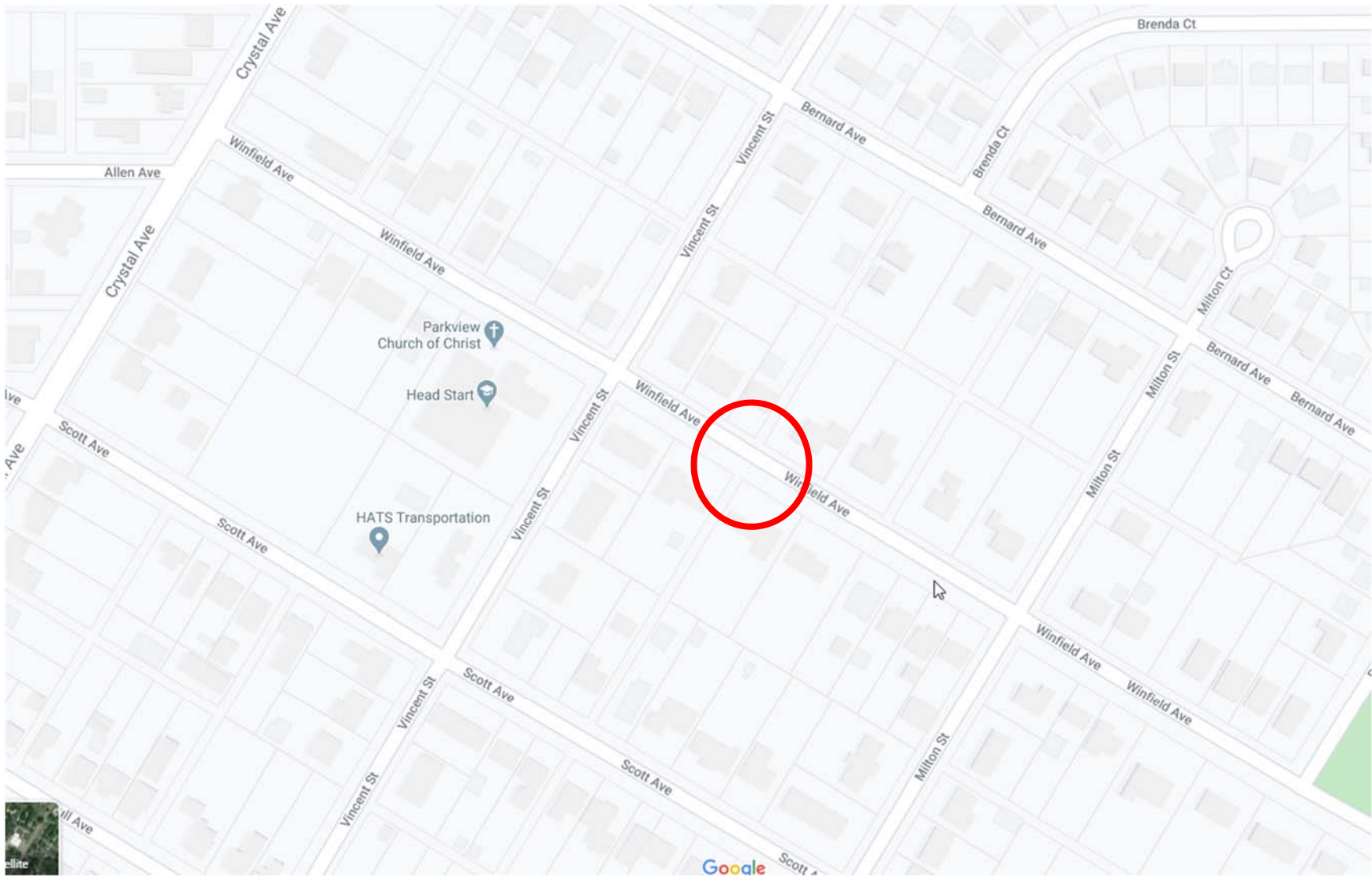
Kathy Launder

From: Bob Roberts <bobbob3047@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 11:01 AM
To: Traffic Commission
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Stop sign

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name Bob Roberts, 514 Scott ave Findlay. 419 420 4596. bobbob3047@yahoo.com. 614 and 619 Winfield has no stop sign on eather corner which Allows traffic on the alley going North and South not to have to stop on Winfield which causes a Safety Issue .A bush on the north west side of the alley which Limits the view of traffic on to Winfield.

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Kathy Launder

From: OhioStorNLock@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, May 25, 2020 10:11 AM
To: Traffic Commission
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Directional Signage for a self-storage facility at 1744 W Romick Parkway
Attachments: Stor n Lock directrional Signage.pdf

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My name is Randy Joseph and I am a partner of Ohio Stor N Lock which is new 126 unit self-storage facility at 1744 Romick Parkway. This facility will be complete in September of this year and we want to address a potential road hazard that this may create. Many of our customers will be transporting their household items into our facility utilizing large trucks (semi's, U Hauls) or trucks pulling trailers. Since our facility can not be easily seen from Bright Road or Melrose. We are concerned about our customers missing the entrance to Romick and not having a place to turnaround causing a safety concern for our customers and the community.

We are submitting a request for approval for directional signage on Bright and Melrose to address this issue. I have contacted Martina Alexander on some proposed signage to address this safety concern. Please find attached a proposed signage to be placed on the right away on Bright Road and Melrose.

Could you be kind enough to review the attachment and feel free to give me a call at 419-618-8122? Thanks in advance.

Best Regards,

Randy Joseph



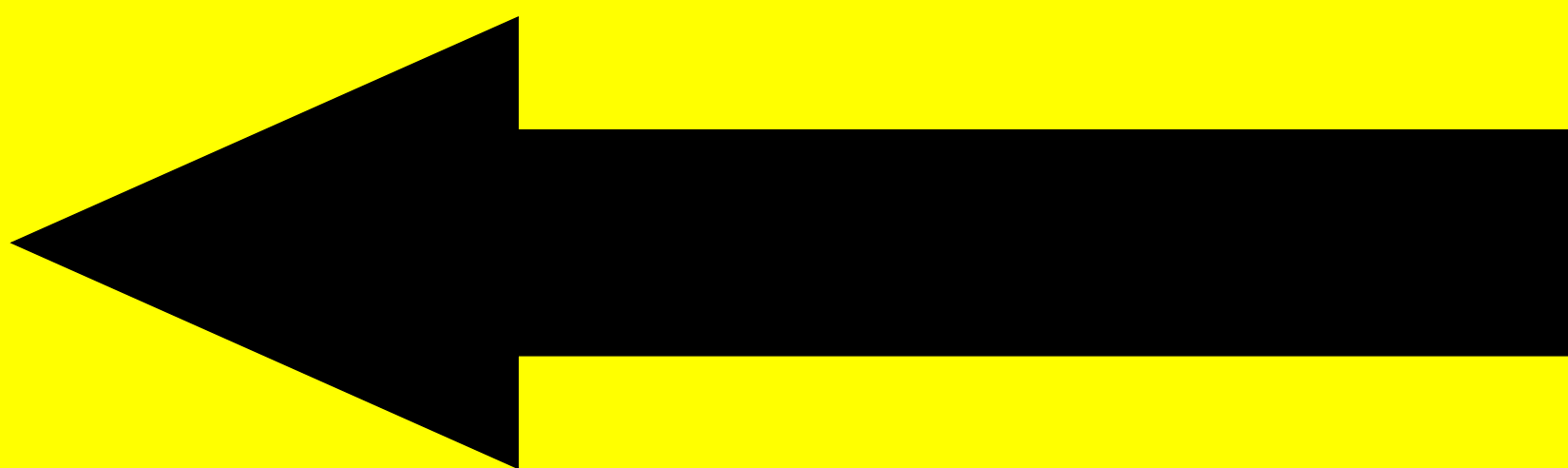
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ENTRANCE

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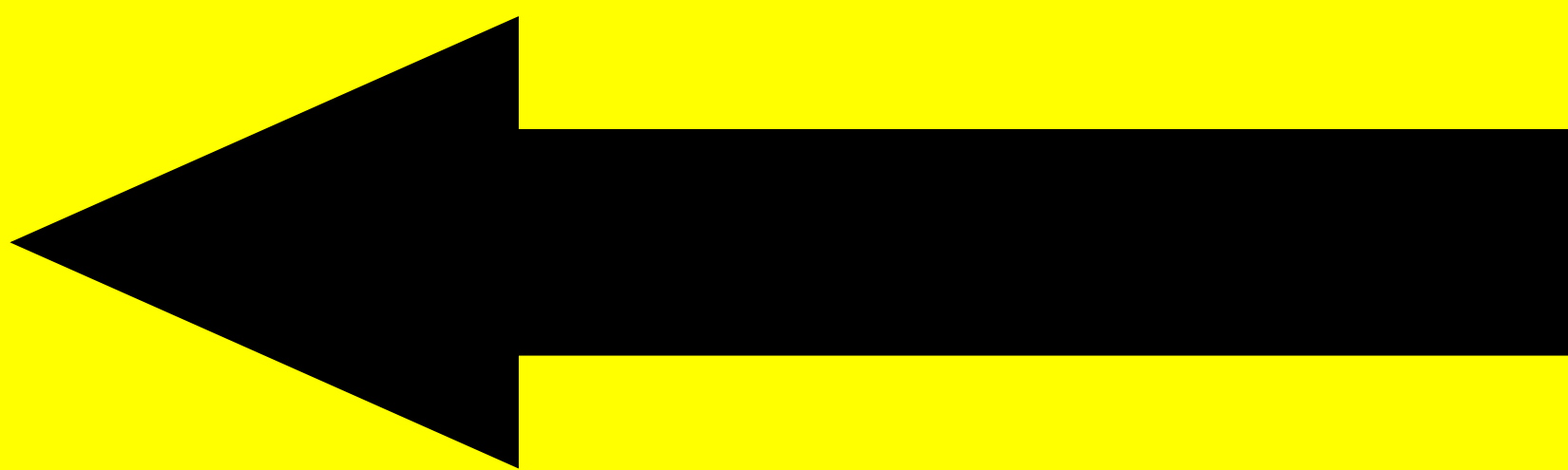


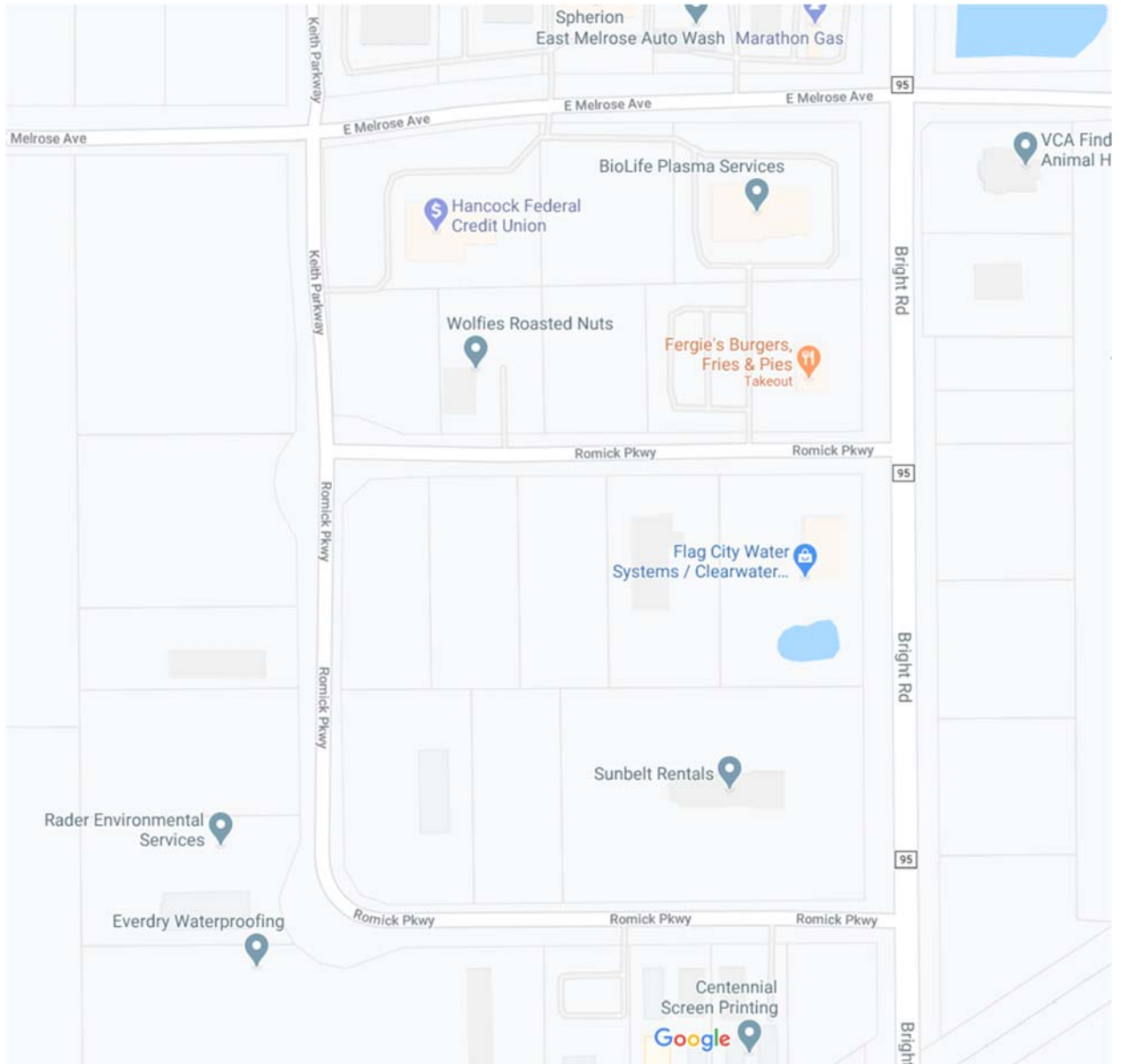
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Kathy Launder

From: City of Findlay, OH <findlayohio@enotify.visioninternet.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 1:20 PM
To: Mayor (website)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]*NEW SUBMISSION* Report a Problem

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Nature of the Problem

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Your Information

Full Name

Michael Krouse

Phone

4194904076

Email

mkrouse3@gmail.com

Regarding follow-up on this matter, please indicate your preference

Yes, please contact me by email

Section Break

Details of the Problem

Please describe details of your issue

Ithica Court, in the Hunters Creek subdivision, is a dead-end street similar to a cul-de-sac. Numerous children utilize this area to play and travel between houses due to a low traffic volume that should be only residents and visitors of residences on Ithica Court. Frequently, due to the lack of a No Outlet sign at the entrance of Ithica Court (cross street with Remington Street), numerous cars

inadvertently turn onto Ithica Court unaware that it is a dead-end. This confusion causes unnecessary risk to the safety of the playing children. This risk could be drastically mitigated, if not eliminated, by the installation of a No Outlet sign and possibly even a Children Playing sign. The residents of Ithica Court request that, at a minimum, a No Outlet sign is added to the entrance of Ithica Court from Remington Street. Thank you for your consideration.

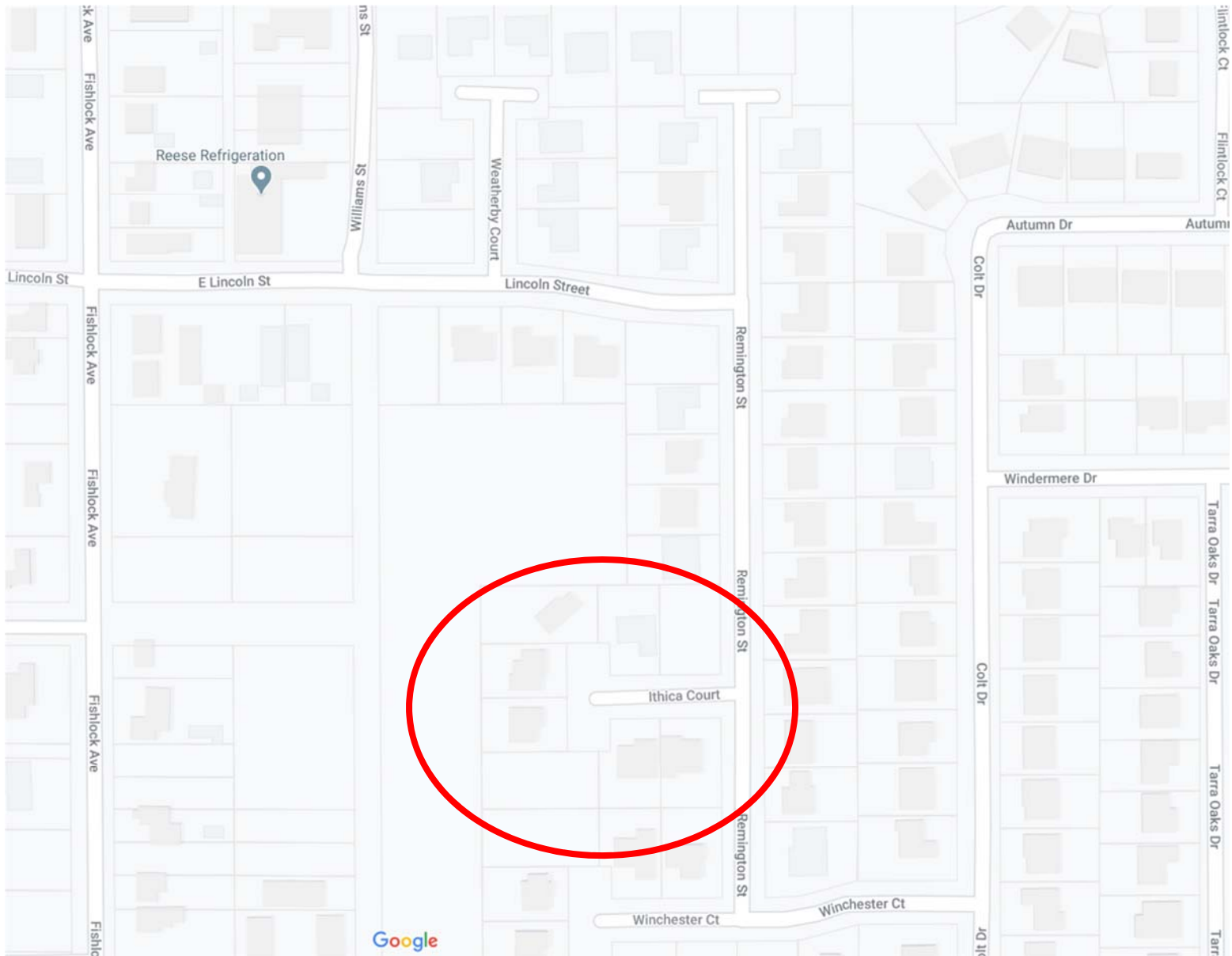
Location of problem

Ithica Court, Findlay, OH

Attachment

Thank you,
City of Findlay, OH

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Kathy Launder

From: Paul Schmelzer
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 9:53 AM
To: Brian Thomas; Christina Mury; Denise Devore; Dennis Hellmann; Grant Russel; Jeff Wobser; Jim Niemeyer; Jim Niemeyer; Jim Slough; Jim Slough; John Harrington; Kathy Launder; Tom Shindledecker; Beth Warnecke; Charles Haas; Joshua Palmer
Subject: Crosswalks

Members,

During discussion for ordinance 2020-054 (LaneLight) - I would like to request that this ordinance be tabled.

The vendor for the replacement lights is still finalizing a scope with us to perform an appropriate replacement. I would like an opportunity to discuss the scope and cost with an appropriate committee. I believe the traffic commission or a committee of the whole would work. I have no preference.

I can place the item on the agenda for the next traffic commission meeting or work with your schedule for a COW. The scope should be finalized by the middle of next week. If costs change as a result, I will inform the committee and seek an amendment to the appropriation amount.

If you have any questions, let me know.

Regards,

[Paul E. Schmelzer, PE, PS](#)

Safety Director

318 Dorney Plaza, Rm 310
Findlay, Ohio 45840
419.424.7137

Kathy Launder

From: Tom Demuth
Sent: Thursday, July 9, 2020 11:05 AM
To: Paul Schmelzer; Brian Thomas; Matt Stoffel; Robin Schey; Martin.Fuhrer@lanelight.com; Police - Dispatch; Mayor Office - All
Subject: 500 block s main xwalk

Hey All,

The crosswalk in the 500 block of S Main St has been shut off. There were only 3 lights left but somewhere either in splices connectors or in the pavement the red power wire and the black negative wire have shorted out to cause the lights not to function. Out of the circuit the lights are fine but once installed they do not operate. Any complaints can be explained by a failure in the wiring underground. The only cure is to completely remove and replace or remove and go with something else.

Thanks

Thomas DeMuth
Findlay Traffic Signals
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Cell- 419-348-3170

Kathy Launder

From: Paul Schmelzer
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 7:47 AM
To: Kathy Launder
Subject: Traffic commission

Kathy,
For the next traffic commission meeting,

I need to have a discussion about guardrail on the south side of center street west of the tracks.
I also need a discussion about the mid-block crossings and signalization.

Thanks.

[Paul E. Schmelzer, PE, PS](#)
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