

# TRAFFIC COMMISSION

City of Findlay  
April 21, 2025

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## MINUTES

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Service-Safety Director Rob Martin, City Engineer Jeremy Kalb, Fire Chief Josh Eberle, Police Chief James Mathias.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Law Director Rob Feighner, Kathy Launder.

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Holly Frische.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Request of David Ray for a study to change the first alley west of S. Main Street between W. Crawford Street and W. Sandusky St. to a two-way alley.

10/21/2024

David Ray stated that it is difficult to see to pull out of alley onto Sandusky Street no matter which direction. He suggested bubble mirrors or the potential to change the alley to two-way. Director Martin stated that in discussing this with City Engineer Jeremy Kalb, there are a couple issues. The alley is pretty narrow to be able to make it two-way. People are creatures of habit the alley has been one-way for a number of years and people may not realize they can utilize it as two-way. Also, the direction of the one-way alleys/streets change from south to north as you head west. Ray stated that motorists speed excessively from Main Street to Cory Street. Does not want to remove any parking spaces. Honsel stated that there are no locations available to install bubble mirrors. Director Martin stated that we can only eliminate so many risks because of the travelling public. The vehicular traffic needs to take ownership and responsibility to travel safely. Director Martin stated that there isn't an easy solution. Director Martin stated that a bubble mirror may not be effective. Director Martin stated that he is willing to give a trial run of making the alley two-way. Honsel stated that additional signage would be needed for traffic coming off the alley onto Crawford to make sure they don't go the wrong way on the one-way street. Director Martin stated that he would be more willing to trial a two-way rather than change the direction of travel on a one-way.

Motion to table request until communication can be sent to abutting property owners that have parking availability notifying of a traffic study regarding changing the first alley west of S. Main Street between W. Crawford Street and W. Sandusky St. to a two-way alley, by Chief Eberle, second by Director Martin. Motion passed 4-0.

4/21/2025

Item remains tabled. Engineering will send out notification to properties along alley.

2. Request of Marc Wolfe, TAM Partners LP, 301 N. Main Street, to remove stop sign at the southwest corner of the alley intersection behind the building at 301 N. Main Street.

1/21/2025

Christina Corron, representative of TAM Partners LP, stated that the request to remove the stop sign is to allow for greater turning radius for deliveries from semi trucks to turn at the alley intersection. Kalb stated that he would like to see the sketch of the turning movements for this area. He further stated that he is not in favor of removing the stop sign which would change the traffic pattern. We can consider moving the location or type of sign.

Motion to table request until receive and review the sketch of the turning movements from TAM Partners LP, by Director Martin, second by Chief Mathias. Motion passed 4-0.

4/21/2025

Motion to lift item from table, by Kalb, second by Director Martin. Motion passed 4-0. Kalb stated that the business will be rerouting the delivery trucks and therefore no longer needs to have the stop sign removed.

Motion to deny request, by Kalb, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 4-0.

3. Request of Jake Kelley, Traffic Signal Department, to review the intersection of Fostoria Avenue and Tiffin Avenue.

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Motion to table request until Traffic Signal Department is in attendance to discuss, by Chief Eberle, second by Director Martin. Motion passed 4-0.

4/21/2025

Item remains tabled.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Request of citizen to make the intersection of Plaza Street and Hilton Avenue a four-way stop.

Kalb stated that stop signs are not for speed control. The intersection of Plaza Street and Hilton Avenue does not have sufficient turning movements to qualify for a four-way stop. Honse stated he can put the speed radar signs up on Plaza Street to gather data regarding speeds and number of vehicles. Will operate one week without speed but collecting data, second week with speed and collecting data, and third week begin enforcement as needed.

Motion to deny request for a four-way stop at Plaza Street and Hilton Avenue, by Chief Eberle, second by Kalb. Motion passed 4-0.

2. Request of citizen to place "No Trucks" signs on Plaza Street at Fostoria Avenue and Tiffin Avenue.

Honse stated that Croy Drive is posted No Trucks. Plaza Street is designated as a secondary route for trucks. Higher number of trucks are using Plaza Street due to increased activity at the mall.

Motion to deny request for No Trucks signs on Plaza Street, by Kalb, second by Director Martin. Motion passed 4-0.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting of the City of Findlay Traffic Commission will be held on May 19, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy K. Launder  
City Clerk

**WORK ORDERS**

Minutes approved by Council

**ADMINISTRATION ACTION**

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