

Agenda

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request of Hope Klingler, 204 E. Hobart Avenue, for no parking signs on Maple Avenue from Hobart Avenue to Eagle Street.

8/19/2024

Honse stated that Maple Avenue in this area is too narrow for parking. It should be marked as No Parking Any Time on both sides of the street from Edgar Avenue to Pearl Street.

Motion to table request until communication can be sent to residents living along Maple Avenue from Edgar Avenue to Pearl Street requesting feedback on changing this area to No Parking Any Time on both sides of the street, by Chief Eberle, second by Kalb. Motion passed 4-0.

12/16/2024

Item remains tabled.

2. 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 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. Honse 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. Honse 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.

12/16/2024

Item remains tabled.

3. Request of Phil Johnson, Assistant Hancock County Prosecutor on behalf of the Hancock County Commissioners, to close the east/west alley between S. Cory Street west to the first alley intersection between the Hancock County Justice Center and the Hancock County Judicial Center, referred from City Planning Commission on November 12, 2024.

12/16/2024

Phil Johnson stated reason for the request is that Hancock County owns both properties on either side of the alley. When the Judicial Center opens, there will be a lot of pedestrian traffic coming from the Justice Center to the Judicial Center walking across and down the alley. The request to vacate the alley is for safety of these individuals. The suggestion is to install a cross arm at the entrance of the alley to block vehicular traffic that can be lifted as needed. Discussion ensued regarding the tightness of the right turn at the alley intersection for larger vehicles traveling in the alley to drop off mail at the post office drop boxes. Kalb stated that he would like to have vehicle counts for this alley prior to making a decision to vacate the alley. Kalb stated that he is in favor of the drop arm. If the alley is significantly used, the drop arm can be used to close the alley when individuals are crossing from the Justice Center to the Judicial Center and leave the alley open when not in use. Honse stated concerns regarding ease of snow removal if alley is closed. The plows will not be able to make the turn.

Motion to table request to gather vehicle count data in the alley the first two weeks of January 2025, by Chief Eberle, second by City Engineer Kalb. Motion passed 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 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.
2. Request of Bruce McKinney, 400 Church Hill Drive, for a stop sign on State Route 37 at Sixth Street.
3. Request of Jake Kelley, Traffic Signal Department, to review the intersection of Fostoria Avenue and Tiffin Avenue.

Kathy Launder

From: Marc Wolfe <marc@wolfecommercial.com>
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2024 2:26 PM
To: Traffic Commission
Cc: Elyse Frank; Kayla Grealish
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Removal of Stop Sign at Rite Aid Alley Behind 301 N. Main Street, Findlay

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Dear Kathy:

Thank you for taking my call on Tuesday December 17, 2024.

This email is a formal request to the City of Findlay's Traffic Commission for the removal of the STOP sign in the back of the former Rite Aid building located at 301 N. Main Street, Findlay Ohio. Said request is being made by the ownership of the building (Tam Partners LP) on behalf of our future tenant to assist with their loading and so their deliver trucks do not hit said sign (and knock it down) due to the turning radius of the trucks.

Note the future tenant that we are in lease negotiations with will use the same (existing) loading door (area) in the alley that Rite Aid used. They will not use the existing drive-through window, it will be covered (blocked-off / not used by customers) as it's delivery trucks cannot fit under the canopy. So, we believe the STOP sign is no longer needed and can be removed.

Thank you in advance for adding this to the Traffic Commission Agenda on January 21, 2025 and for helping us get permission to have the STOP sign removed. Please let us know what other information or questions you or may have.

Best,

Marc

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Kathy Launder

From: Bruce McKinney <yogibruce@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2024 2:53 PM
To: Traffic Commission
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Stop Sign Placement Recommendation
Attachments: 6th street 2.jpeg

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Due By: Friday, January 3, 2025 11:30 AM
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Dear sir/Madam:

I strongly believe a stop sign is need on 32 east where it intersects with 6th street in Findlay.

Coming off 6th street to get on 37 east requires a drastic left turn of the head. Personally, I've been nearly hit several times and I know there have been several accidents there.

I've attached an annotated photo of where a sign should be.

Thank you for your consideration and happy New Year.

Bruce McKinney
400 Church Hill Drive
Findlay, OH
210-838-7385



Stop Sign Needed

Kathy Launder

From: Jake Kelley
Sent: Friday, December 27, 2024 8:55 AM
To: Kathy Launder
Cc: Jason Rayle
Subject: Traffic Commission

Good Morning Kathy,

I had a complaint from a gentleman last week about the intersection of Fostoria Ave & Tiffin Ave. A family member of his was involved in an accident there. Even though the accident sounded like driver error, it has gotten us looking at the layout and operation of the intersection. This intersection hasn't been looked at since before Jason and I have been here and I think we could make it a bit safer for drivers and pedestrians. The issue lies with Fostoria turning left onto Tiffin. If we could please put this on the Traffic Commission Agenda so Jason and I could discuss some ideas we have I would appreciate it.

Happy Holidays,

Jake Kelley
Traffic Signal Foreman

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