

Traffic Control Board Minutes
Tuesday, February 26th, 2008

Angela Cimmino
Doug Kary ✓
Kieth Lang ✓
Walt Willett ✓
Steve Zeier ✓

Sondra Baker ✓
Judge Knisely
Capt Slade ✓

✓ = Present

Staff Support: Terry Smith, John Gibson, Lora Mattox, Erin Claunch

Guests: None

Call to Order: By Doug Kary at 12:18 pm in the Large Conference Room, 4th Floor of the Library

Minutes: Minutes of the January meeting were approved by a voice vote

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

STAFF REPORTS: Terry reported on the following:

- Aronson Avenue: The construction of Aronson Ave extension has begun
- King Avenue East: The design work and right-of-way acquisition is underway. Cabela's has postponed the construction of their store until next year.
- King Avenue West: Construction is going well and should be open by July 4th of 2008
- Quiet Zone: Erin reported that MDT has agreed to delegate authority to the City to include 27th Street in the quiet zone application that has to be filed with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). The City is hiring a consultant, Railroad Controls Limited, to prepare the detailed design of the railroad gates and signal equipment and to prepare the application to the FRA.
- Broadwater School. Terry reported that a petition requesting changes at 4th & Wyoming had been submitted. Staff has started to collect the information necessary to evaluate the request.
- Moore Lane RR Crossing: The State plans to let bids on the project later this year. It will be necessary to close the crossing for at least 2-3 weeks during construction.
- Special Events: The processing of applications for special events in the public right-of-way has been transferred from the Parks Department to Public Works. At this time no changes have been made in the permit process itself, just in where the applications are submitted and who coordinates collecting comments from the various City departments.

BOARD REPORTS:

Planning Board: Lora Mattox reported that subdivision activity has been light. Work is starting on a neighborhood plan for the Southwest Corridor Task Force. They are starting

to get applications and inquiries about zone changes on property along King Avenue East across from the proposed Cabela's site. Steve Zeier asked about the Lenhardt property along King Avenue West, west of Shiloh. Lora reported that at last night's City Council meeting, the Council voted to approve the planning study, approve including the property in the annexation boundary, but denied the annexation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Election of Board Chairperson: Walt nominated Doug Kary to continue as Chair. Sondra nominated Walt as Vice-Chair. Doug & Walt were elected without opposition.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review/Update of City's Traffic Calming Policy (discussion): Erin distributed several handouts to the Board outlining some of the areas to be addressed in a traffic calming policy. Included were drafts of a table outlining what types of measures might be allowed on different classes of streets and a draft flowchart showing steps for implementation of traffic calming in a specific area. Erin also handed out a copy of the City's existing Neighborhood Traffic Control Policy, which was adopted in 1982.

Staff asked Board members to review the materials and bring back comments. Doug asked what the existing policies were regarding traffic calming in new subdivisions. Terry responded that the subdivision ordinance allows traffic calming to be designed into a new subdivision, but does not require it.

OTHER:

Terry noted that the City Council has directed the Police Department to investigate the feasibility of using photo enforcement for red light violations and/or speeding. Capt. Slade said an initial presentation to the Council is scheduled at the Council Work Session on Monday, March 3rd.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM