

Traffic Control Board Minutes
Tuesday, July 22nd, 2008

Sondra Baker ✓
Angela Cimmino
Doug Kary ✓
Walt Willett ✓
✓ = Present

Judge Knisely
Lt Beford
Keith Lang ✓
Steve Zeier ✓

Staff Support: Debi Meling, Terry Smith, John Gibson

Guests: None

Call to Order: Chairman Doug Kary called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm in the Large Conference Room, 4th Floor of the Library.

Minutes: Minutes of the June meeting were distributed. Walt Willett moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Sondra Baker. The minutes were approved on a voice vote

STAFF REPORTS:

Sondra had some questions about projects listed in last month's project report. Sondra asked which portion of King Avenue East was going to be under construction. Terry responded it was King Avenue East between South Billings Boulevard and Orchard Lane. Because the water & sewer work in this segment was done under a separate project, Terry said that full closures of King should be limited to some relatively short time periods. Sondra also asked if curb and sidewalks were going to be included in the reconstruction of Rimrock Road west of Shiloh. Terry stated that a multi-use path would be placed on the north side of Rimrock Road, but that sidewalks were not being installed along the south side of Rimrock with this project.

Debi reminded Board members that the Engineering Division will be moving to the depot complex on Montana Avenue, possibly before next month's Traffic Control Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Terry handed out an article on Red Light Camera Enforcement from the current Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Journal. Steve asked what the City Council's position was on red light enforcement. Terry stated the Council has not taken a formal position regarding red light enforcement, but that the Police Department was investigating its use at the request of the Council. Terry said the article was distributed as background information for the Board. Terry also noted that before any ordinance or formal program was adopted was the best time for the Board to comment on whether they felt photo enforcement should be pursued and on the details of how the program should be run. Steve stated that the TCB should make a recommendation to the Council. Doug responded the issue could be brought up at the August meeting after people have had a chance to study it, and a recommendation, including the Board's views, be sent to the Council at that time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve said he has had several inquiries about whether a traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of 32nd & Gabel. Steve said he would like to be better prepared in talking with citizens about when signals should be installed and asked if staff could make a presentation on traffic signal warrants. Terry said staff would prepare a presentation on signal warrants for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12.54 pm.