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Minutes

Meeting of the Twin Falls Traffic Safety Commission

November 12, 2015

City Council Chambers

305 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

AGENDA ITEMS	Purpose	By:
I. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u> 1. Consideration of the Minutes for September 10, 2015		Randall Watson
II. <u>ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:</u> 1. Discussion of speed limit change for 6 th Ave. W. & Washington St. from Shoshone St. to Addison Ave. 2. Update on the Four Way Stop Sign project at Blue Lakes Blvd. and Orchard Dr. Intersection. 3. Discussion on plans to place pedestrian activated crosswalk beacons at the intersection of Washington St. and Caswell Ave.	Discussion Discussion Discussion	Michael Sullivan Michael Sullivan Michael Sullivan
III. <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS</u>		
IV. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>		

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Randall Watson, Brady Dickinson, Ted Warren, and Dennis Magill

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Councilman Greg Lanting, Traffic Engineering Tech. Mike Sullivan, and Recording City Secretary Tina Kelley

STAFF ABSENT: Captain Matt Hicks, and SSgt. Ron Fustos

Commission member Randall Watson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. There is a conformation of a quorum present.

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Councilman Greg Lanting introduced Hanna Dishaw and Markel Page with CSI Communications class. They would like to talk about the obstructed view at the intersection at Fillmore St. and Cheney Dr.

MOTION:

Commissioner Ted Warren made a motion to add the students to the agenda to talk about the obstructed view at the intersection of Fillmore St. and Cheney Dr. Commissioner Brady Dickinson seconded the motion.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Consideration of the minutes for September 10, 2015.

MOTION:

Commissioner Brady Dickinson made the motion to approve the minutes for September 10, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis Magill, all members present voted in favor of approving the minutes.

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Discussion on the obstruction at the intersection of Fillmore St. and Cheney Dr.

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Hanna Dishaw from Professor Wasden Honors Communication class at College of Southern Idaho is working on a project where they have to find an issue in the community and go through all the steps to solve it. They wanted to address the Fillmore Ave. and Cheney Dr. intersection and the parking lot entrances and exits for the businesses. They found when trying to enter and leave the parking lots, the curvature of the street, the trees and signs are site obstructions at the Signature Fitness and Kiwi Loco parking lot. Hanna Dishaw said they have two solutions. The first solution would be to put a round-about in, however they thought that would be a lot of money and a lot of construction. The second would be to remove the trees and put in bushes or leave it bare. Also to change the signs for the two business complexes putting signs on poles.

Mike Sullivan advised the businesses would have to go through the building department. Dennis Magill suggested they would need to talk with the business owners because it is on private property and they are responsible for the signs. The bushes and trees are also the responsibility of the business owners. There is a city code that shows how far back the trees have to be from the road.

2. Discussion of speed limit change for 6th Ave. W. and Washington St. from Shoshone St. to Addison Ave.

Engineer Tech, Mike Sullivan advised Victory Ave. is posted at 35 mph. for the north bound lane. There is a 35 mph on Minidoka Ave. both directions and a 25 mph sign at Depot Grill. The speed studies showed 85th percentile speeds of 34-35 mph in the area of 6th Ave. W and Washington ST. from Shoshone to Addison Ave. Mike Sullivan advised they recommend posting at 35 mph.

MOTION:

Commissioner Dennis Magill made a motion to use the recommendation of changing the speed limit signs to 35 mph on 6th Ave W. and Washington St. from Shoshone St. to Addison Ave. Commissioner Ted Warren seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and all present were in favor.

3. Update on the Four Way Stop Sign project at Blur Lakes Blvd. and Orchard Dr. intersection.

Mike Sullivan advised it went through Traffic Safety sometime ago. The engineering department worked with the Highway district on this and decided to make it a four-way stop. They will add 48 inch stop signs and advanced warning signs. There will also be 24 hour flashing red beacons on top of the stop signs to make it safer.

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4. Discussion on Plans to place pedestrian activated crosswalk beacons at the intersection of Washington St. and Caswell Ave.

Mike Sullivan advised it was originally to be a school crosswalk, then it was discovered that the school buses kids across the street and then found that there are still kids using the intersection and other pedestrians are still using it. The cost of putting in activated beacons is approximately \$7000.00. We thought this would be an inexpensive fix and be safer for pedestrians.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

Commissioner Ted Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis Magill. All were in favor. Commissioner Randall Watson adjourned the meeting at 09:30.

Tina Kelley
Recording Secretary