

**CITY OF NEWARK**  
**Newark, Delaware**

**Traffic Committee Meeting**  
**January 15, 2019**  
**3:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Mark Farrall, Tim Filasky, Marvin Howard, Tom Parkins

**Guests:** Caitlin Olsen, University of Delaware  
Rich Rind, University of Delaware  
M/Cpl. Wayne Aston, Traffic Division

**Absent:** Lt. Dennis Aniunas  
Dave Gula

**1. Discuss the request to restrict parking in front of 209, 213 and 217 Haines Street on the East side.**

Mr. Farrall said we noticed 63 residents and received no opposition to restrict parking in front of these three homes.

Mr. Hill said approval was received from city council to construct a 4-story apartment building with 24 units with parking on the lower level. Mr. Hill said they are requesting to restrict parking in front of the building for fire access.

Ms. Gray said in the subdivision agreement prohibits on street or guest parking permits from being obtained.

Mr. Filasky added the Public Works and Wastewater Department won't paint the curbs.

**Motion by Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. Parkins, to restrict parking on Haines Street on the East side in front of 209, 213 and 217 Haines Street.**

**Motion passed.**

**Vote: 4 to 0**

**2. Request to install a crosswalk on Orchard Road at Kent Way.**

Mr. Farrall said this item was requested by Mr. Coleman at the request of Ms. Olsen from the University of Delaware.

Ms. Olsen said pedestrians walking from the Center for the Arts garage are all walking down Kent Way. Mr. Farrall said if a crosswalk is installed, he felt a stop sign would also need to be installed. Mr. Filasky said the crosswalk isn't traffic controlled and wouldn't necessarily require a stop sign.

Mr. Farrall asked if M/Cpl. Aston could provide traffic count data from the pop up on Orchard Road. M/Cpl. Aston said the data after the pop-up demonstration for Orchard Road, North of Winslow Road, there was a total of 9,500 vehicles with an average speed of 22 mph for vehicles traveling in both directions. M/Cpl. Aston said Orchard Road, South of Winslow prior to pop-up there was a total of 6,300 vehicles with an average speed of 20 mph for vehicles and after a total of 7,100 vehicles with an average speed of 22-23 mph.

Mr. Filasky said more than likely they would only consider adding a crosswalk at one location. Mr. Filasky said the merits of this crosswalk would be determined by the volume on Kent Way. Mr. Filasky said they would also take into consideration the distance from Amstel Avenue. Mr. Filasky said they are willing to discuss the merits of the request with the University of Delaware if they wish to pursue.

Mr. Farrall said Public Works and Wastewater Department will work with the University of Delaware if they wish to pursue this request.

**3. Request to install a crosswalk on N. College Avenue between Cleveland Avenue and Main Street.**

Mr. Rind said this item was requested by the University of Delaware Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee.

Mr. Rind said this crosswalk will service pedestrians from the large parking lot on N. College Avenue. Mr. Rind said pedestrians are heading south and east. Mr. Rind said many pedestrians illegally cross before or after the railroad tracks and creates a safety concern.

Mr. Filasky said the most logical location for a crosswalk would be on top of the hill on the South side and pointed out at this location your almost to the next crosswalk and felt it wouldn't have the effect. Mr. Filasky said he agrees the pedestrian volume is mainly coming from the parking lot. Mr. Filasky said sight lines will determine the most suitable location for a crosswalk.

Mr. Farrall said his concern is traffic heading northbound that is stopping for pedestrians with the conflict of the railroad tracks. Mr. Filasky said if a crosswalk was installed it would require full cooperation with DelDOT.

Mr. Parkins said he is also concerned for pedestrian safety and installing a crosswalk with the railroad tracks in close proximity.

Mr. Farrall said the University of Delaware, City of Newark and DelDOT can work together to collaborate on this request.

**4. Request for a speed bump on Lynn Drive.**

Mr. Filasky said this request was received from a resident at 39 Lynn Drive. Mr. Filasky said the requestor has small children that play in the front yard and appears to be speeding down the road. Mr. Filasky said they can obtain speed data. Mr. Filasky said more than likely it is a neighbor that is speeding. Mr. Filasky said they wouldn't support a speed bump, however, would support obtaining the speed data and enforcement if necessary.

Mr. Farrall said his suggestion is to install the electronic speed sign, conduct enforcement and obtain the address of the speeder and the Traffic Division perform a visit.

**No motion was received for a speed bump on Lynn Drive.**

**Motion Failed.**

**Vote: 0 to 4**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mark Farrall, Chairman

Any supporting documents pertaining to this meeting will be held on file at the police department.