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TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 11, 2005

PRESENT: Alds. Becker, Herzog, Maher, McCarthy -4

EXCUSED: Ald. Krol

ALSO PRESENT: W. Kappel, Dir. of Public Works

Ald. Becker as Chair called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m.

Report on 90-Day Trial at 2544 Wauwatosa Avenue

Mr. Kappel reported that he is not yet prepared to make a recommendation following the 90-day trial of removal of parking restrictions in front of 2544 Wauwatosa Avenue. Two accidents have occurred at this location during the trial period. Although they cannot directly be attributed to allowing parking there, they do represent a significant increase during the 90-day period. Two other accidents occurred in the 2500 block in 2004, there were none in 2003, and there was one in 2002. Mr. Kappel recommended extending the trial for an additional 90-day period, which requires Council approval.

Moved by Ald. Herzog, seconded by Ald. McCarthy to recommend to Council a second 90-day trial of removal of parking restrictions in front of 2544 Wauwatosa Avenue. Ayes: 4

Loading Zone Application – 1460 Underwood Avenue

The committee reviewed an application by Deborah Karpfing, d/b/a The Flower Lady, Inc., for a 30-foot loading zone at 1460 Underwood Avenue. Ms. Karpfing forwarded a statement with signatures of four adjacent business people supporting the request. Mr. Kappel reported that Ms. Karpfing is seeking a way to make it easier for customers to use her shop. She initially called during the Christmas season and requested 15-minute parking restrictions, but he explained that a loading zone would be more appropriate here. The applicant would be responsible for the cost of the signs and the annual permit fee. There are existing poles in place on which to mount the signs. Loading zones allow parking for 30 minutes and would be enforceable at the request of the licensee.

The committee discussed the possibility of limiting the loading zone to the flower shop's business hours. Mr. Kappel indicated that he would work with the applicant to determine appropriate limitations.

Moved by Ald. McCarthy, seconded by Ald. Herzog to recommend to Council approval of a 30-foot loading zone at 1460 Underwood Avenue during hours to be determined by the Director of Public Works. Ayes: 4

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk
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