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**TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 26, 2010**  
**Committee Room #1**

PRESENT: Aids. Jay, McBride, Meaux, Pantuso, Wilke – 5

ALSO PRESENT: W. Kappel, Public Works Dir.

Ald. Meaux as Chair called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**No Parking Anytime restriction on the south side of W. Clarke Street from N. 62<sup>nd</sup> Street to approximately 25 feet to the east**

Mr. Kappel commented that there have been no complaints or comments during the 90-day trial. He recommended making the no parking anytime restriction permanent.

Moved by Ald. McBride, seconded by Ald. Jay to recommend  
introduction of the ordinance to Council – 5

**Changing the two-hour parking restriction on both sides of the 2300 block of N. 90<sup>th</sup> Street to school days only**

Mr. Kappel reported that there have been no complaints or comments regarding this change. He recommended making the two-hour parking restriction for school days only permanent.

Moved by Ald. McBride, seconded by Ald. Wilke to recommend  
introduction of the ordinance to Council – 5

**Resolution supporting the installation of sidewalks along the east side of N. Mayfair Road between Burleigh Street and Hampton Avenue**

Mr. Kappel reported that the staff met with all the parties involved with the sidewalk project and it was the collective opinion of all concerned, including city staff, to support the sidewalk project. He mentioned that Transportation Act 75, beginning January 1, 2011, stipulates that cities shall install sidewalks and bike paths in appropriate areas unless there are exceptions. The cost share will be 80/20 with the state paying 80% of the installation and the city 20%. He noted that in 1968 sidewalks were installed on the west side of the street. He recommended putting the sidewalks in at 20% of the cost.

Paul Piccione, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, 1781 Thomas Drive, East Troy, stressed that the provisions contained in Transportation Act 75 are going to be required after they go into effect.

David Tapia, Project Engineer, Bloom Consulting LLC, 10501 Research Drive, Suite 100, Milwaukee, recommended installing the sidewalks on the east side. He noted that they were flagging Capital and Highway 100 and Hampton Avenue and Highway 100 for improvements as well as some median closures. Mr. Kappel added that there will be a potential pedestrian crossing as well.

Ald. Meaux was concerned that median closures would affect businesses. Mr. Tapia explained that they would be closing some areas of the median to address safety issues.

Mr. Piccione reported that they have had public information meetings. He was not sure about what was or was not going to happen until they get to 60% of the design.

Present in opposition: Gerald Millard, 4466 N. Mayfair Rod  
Clyde Rupnow, Pine Lawn Cemetery, 10700 W. Capitol Drive  
Robert Swiderski, 4581 Parkside Court

The people appearing in opposition voiced concern about the maintenance of the sidewalks especially when it snows. Some of the residents have properties that face the sidewalk and some have backyards that face the sidewalk. They questioned the need for the sidewalk since no one uses the east side of the street. They indicated that they had little or no contact with the applicants.

Mr. Rupnow from Pine Lawn Cemetery was concerned about the sidewalks because even without them cars plow through their fence several times per year. He was also concerned about snow removal, the proximity of the nearby graves and the liability to the city. He added that there are no close major employers, schools, or churches in the area.

Ms. Fran Muzak, Milwaukee County Transportation System, 1942 N. 17<sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee, pointed out that there are a number of bus stop pads on that side of the street, but they don't connect to even an accessible path for people in wheelchairs and other disabilities. They also need curb cuts so people can easily get to the other side of the street. She stressed that it is the city's obligation to provide connecting sidewalks to the bus stops.

Mr. Tapia reported that they had a sub consultant look into the placement of the graves and they are not in danger of being harmed.

Mr. Kappel noted that the rear property owners and the property owners facing the street will not have to maintain the sidewalk. The city will take that responsibility.

Alds. McBride, Wilke, and Pantuso all expressed support for the project noting that when sidewalks and bike paths are put in people use them.

Mr. Tapia clarified that this is a draft feasibility report and will need more study. Nothing will be required until January 1, 2011.

Ald. McBride agreed that the surfaces need to be connected between bus stop pads and sidewalks; however, there are a number of questions about bus stop placement.

Mr. Kappel urged the committee to give the DOT concrete support. Mr. Tapia agreed adding that with the Council's support they can start on the planning.

Moved by Ald. Pantuso, seconded by Ald. Wilke to recommend  
Support for the installation of sidewalks along the east side of  
N. Mayfair Road between Burleigh Street and Hampton Avenue.  
Vote on the motion was Ayes: 4, Noes: 1 (Jay)

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk  
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