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TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, December 8, 2009

PRESENT: Alds. McBride, Meaux, Stepaniak, Wilke - 4

EXCUSED: Ald. Jay

ALSO

PRESENT: W. Kappel, Dir. of Public Works

Ald. Meaux in the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m. -4

Ordinance - Parking Restrictions on N. 115th and N. 114th Streets South of W. Center Street

As discussed at the previous meeting, the proposed ordinance imposes two-hour parking restrictions on school days on the west side of N. 115th Street and the east side of N. 114th Street between W. Center and W. Clarke Streets. Mr. Kappel recommended adoption.

Moved by Ald. McBride, seconded by Ald. Stepaniak to recommend to Council adoption of the ordinance. Ayes: 4

No Parking Restrictions on W. Keefe Avenue East of Menomonee River Parkway

Mr. Kappel reported on no parking at any time restrictions on the south side of W. Keefe Avenue from Menomonee River Parkway to a point 605 feet to the east that have been installed under provisions for emergency action when a problem is identified. Referring to photos of the area, he explained that offset pavement markings on Keefe Avenue provide only one lane on the south side of the street east of Menomonee River Parkway. Vehicles have been parking there to access the new playground at Hartung Park, creating a problem when cars round the corner into that lane. Staff took immediate action upon becoming aware of the situation. Mr. Kappel recommended a 90-day trial of the restrictions with a possible extension to allow various options to be explored by the local alderpersons. Moving the pavement marking line to the center of the street, for example, would allow space for parking on the south side of the street.

Sean Monahan, 3422 N. 96th Street, Milwaukee, and Kelly Hansen, 3267 N. 97th Street, Milwaukee, endorsed the signage but felt that sidewalks alongside the park would be beneficial and provide greater safety. Mr. Monahan mentioned the possibility of paving other trails as well. Mr. Kappel suggested contacting Milwaukee alderpersons regarding sidewalks since the parkland itself is in Milwaukee.

Ald. Wilke thanked Mr. Kappel for the quick action. The Hartung Park Community Association, made up of both Milwaukee and Wauwatosa residents, would like to look at other alternatives before finalizing any parking restrictions since there is some concern about shifting parking to other neighborhood streets

as well as the possibility of reducing visibility if parking is allowed on both sides of Keefe Avenue. The intent is that the association, neighbors, and alderpersons from the two cities get together to discuss the best and safest solution. He noted that most of the roads in this neighborhood do not have sidewalks and pedestrians do commonly walk in the street.

Moved by Ald. Wilke, seconded by Ald. McBride to approve a 90-day trial of no parking at any time restrictions on the south side of W. Keefe Avenue from Menomonee River Parkway to a point 605 feet to the east. Ayes: 4

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

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