

VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN
9446 Raymond Avenue Oak Lawn Illinois 60453
Village Hall Auditorium
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 7, 2021 #2021-6

I. ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

- A. Chairman:** Norm Lupescu
- B. Members:**

Drew Butler	Ken Nork
John Cody	Andy Skoundrianos
Laurentine Grady	Ted Sochacki
Norm Lupescu	
- C. Staff:**

Donald E. McKenna, Building & Zoning Administrator
Dennis Skoda, Public Works Department (<i>ABS</i>)
Ofc. Mark Hollingsworth, Oak Lawn Police Department
Deanne Adasiak, Recording Secretary

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Lupescu.

III. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes #2021-5 September 2, 2021 was made by Member Grady and was seconded by Member Cody.

Roll call: Sochacki, yes; Skoundrianos, yes; Nork, yes; Lupescu, yes; Grady, yes; Cody, yes; Butler, yes.

Motion to approve passes: 7-0.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A.) TC-1289-SS-Request for Stop Sign north and south at 102nd & Keeler Avenue:

Ms. Kathleen Biety, 10211 S. Keeler, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453.

The petitioner stated that she has lived at the address for eight years and is concerned about resident safety. She stated that cars coming from the south drive too fast and are unaware that some blocks have east and west stop signs. According to the petitioner, she feels the majority of the traffic comes from the hospital. Member Lupescu pointed out that Keeler Avenue has five (5) stop signs from 95th to 103rd Street. According to the petitioner, there is no stop sign between 101st and 102nd Streets. She mentioned that there is only one stop sign between 99th and 103rd Streets.

Ms. Judy Silva, 10231 S. Keeler, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453.

Ms. Silva explained that she lives in the house on the third street from the corner. She stated that she has a special needs son and that if she knew what she knows now, she would never have purchased her home. She stated that we must be vigilant of the safety concerns in the area.

Ms. Silva stated that she reviewed her camera footage from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and noticed 52 cars speeding. She believes Keeler is being used as a traffic shortcut. Ms. Silva mentioned that an Oak Lawn Police officer lives at 101st and Keeler, and that the officer's wife signed the petition.

Member Grady remarked on the five consecutive stop signs and asked if we really needed to add more. Ms. Silva stated that there are no other options and was informed that speed bumps are not an option. She mentioned the speed sign on Kostner and believes that when cars see speed signs, they slow down. Ms. Biety commented that she needed to draw attention to her block.

Member Cody said a traffic study may be too late in the season. Mr. McKenna said we could try it. Member Cody explained to the petitioner that the traffic study will be conducted over a two-week period and will track the number of vehicles and their speeds 24 hours a day. Mr. McKenna said that is a good start.

A motion was made by Member Lupescu to request a traffic study for Pet. #TC-1289-SS-Request for Stop Sign north and south at 102nd & Keeler Avenue. The motion was seconded by Member Skoundrianos.

Roll call: Butler, yes; Cody, yes; Grady, yes; Lupescu, yes; Nork, yes; Skoundrianos, yes; Sochacki, yes.

Motion passes: 7-0.

B.) TC-1290-M-Request for parking restriction between Kilpatrick and at lot gate (adjacent to building) at 4644 W. 92nd Street:

The petitioner was not present.

The Commissioners briefly commented on the subject petition. Member Lupescu stated that a no parking sign is already in place at the street's southern end. He stated that two vehicles appear to park on the north side of the street. Member Lupescu stated that he is unsure why the trucks are having difficulty accessing the area. Member Grady understands the difficulty in getting into and out of the dock area. She pointed out that there are signs prohibiting parking near the dock area due to deliveries. Member Lupescu commented that he feels that there is plenty of room if trucks come from the west. He pointed out that there is a No Parking Sign on the south side of the street, as well as parking cones.

A motion to table Pet. #TC-1290-M-Request for parking restriction between Kilpatrick and at lot gate (adjacent to building) at 4644 W. 92nd Street was made by Member Lupescu and seconded by Member Grady.

Roll call: Sochacki, yes; Skoundrianos, yes; Nork, yes; Lupescu, yes; Grady, yes; Cody, yes; Butler, yes.

Motion to table passes: 7-0.

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

A.) Chairman: None

B.) Members: None

C.) Staff: None

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Member Cody and was seconded by Member Lupescu.

Voice Vote: All in favor, aye.

Motion to adjourn passes.

The meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.