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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Date: February 27, 2024

To: Mark F. Miller, City Manager

From: Robert J. Bruner, Deputy City Manager
Megan E. Schubert, Assistant City Manager
G. Scott Finlay, City Engineer/Traffic Engineer

Subject: Traffic Committee Recommendations and Minutes – February 21, 2024

At the Traffic Committee meeting of February 21, 2024, the following recommendations were made for City Council approval:

4. Request for Traffic Control – Hearthside Drive & Country Ridge Drive

RESOLVED, that the Country Ridge Drive Approach at Hearthside Drive be **MODIFIED** from UNCONTROLLED, to STOP CONTROLLED.

Minutes of the meeting are attached.

A regular meeting of the Troy Traffic Committee was held Wednesday, February 21, 2024 in the Lower Level Conference Room at Troy City Hall. Pete Ziegenfelder called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Cindy Nurak
Abi Swaminathan
Cynthia Wilsher
Pete Ziegenfelder
Angela Zhou, Student Representative

Absent: Shama Kenkre
Richard Kilmer
Al Petrulis
Deputy Fire Chief, Michael Koehler

Also present: G. Scott Finlay, City Engineer
Sgt. Brian Warzecha, Police Department
Merissa Clark, Administrative Assistant

2. Minutes – January 17, 2023 Traffic Committee

Resolution # 2024-02-03
Moved by Nurak
Seconded by Wilsher

To approve the January 17, 2023 minutes as printed.

Yes: Nurak, Swaminathan, Wilsher, Ziegenfelder
No: None
Absent: Kenkre, Kilmer, Petrulis

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. No Public Hearings

REGULAR BUSINESS

4. Request for Traffic Control – Hearthside & Country Ridge Drive

Cheryl Gonda of 6113 Hearthside Drive requested that the intersection of Hearthside Drive and Country Ridge Drive be reviewed for purposes of traffic control at the uncontrolled intersection. She states: I live in cul-de-sac on Hearthside Drive and the existing uncontrolled intersection is dangerous, cars turning off Country Ridge Drive turn without looking. This creates a hazardous situation for drivers, there have been several near misses recently.

The Traffic Committee received 1 email in support, and 1 phone call opposed.

We live at 6071 Hearthside Drive, Troy, MI 48098.

We fully support the controlled intersection proposal. We have four children and cars come flying thru all the time. It's dangerous.

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Traffic Engineering received a call from Pat DeFilippis at 6069 Country Ridge in opposition to any traffic control at this location, big waste of money.

Mike & Cheryl Gouda – stated they have lived at 6113 Hearthside for 30 years, and the speeding in the subdivision has gotten worse. They have a lot of little kids living near by and they've had a close call recently and are scared an accident will happen with all the kids in the area. People cut thru the subdivision to avoid the light at Square Lake and Coolidge, especially during rush hour. He mentioned a neighbor also sees people driving like crazy, sometimes going 30-40 MPH. He really thinks that a stop or yield sign would deter people from cutting thru all the time, and make the subdivision safer.

Cynthia Wilsher mentioned that OHM's report doesn't think it would be affective for a yield sign to be installed, and explained that it may do the opposite, causing more speeding at the corner.

Sgt. Warzecha explained it will fix one problem, but may cause more problems in the long run and mentioned maybe a stop sign being more beneficial. He also added that the corner did have a good clearance and good visibility, Wilsher agreed.

Mr. Gouda explained that when he leaves the street he has been almost hit by cars taking the turn from Country Ridge onto Hearthside and not looking before turning.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution # 2024-02-04
Moved by Ziegenfelder
Seconded by Nurak

Yes: Nurak, Swaminathan, Ziegenfelder
No: Wilsher
Absent: Kenkre, Kilmer, Petrusis

RESOLVED, that the Country Ridge Approach at Hearthsides be modified from UNCONTROLLED, to STOP CONTROLLED.

7. Public Comment

8. Other Business

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Pete Ziegenfelder -Chairperson

G. Scott Finlay, City Engineer/Traffic Engineer

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