

**City of Lawrence  
Traffic Safety Commission Agenda  
June 2, 2008-7:00 PM  
City Commission Room, City Hall**

ITEM NO. 4: Consider request for a STOP sign on Maple Street at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Facts:

1. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices provides guidance on when STOP signs should be used.
2. None of the criteria appear to be met; both streets are local streets; the speed limit on both streets is 30mph; and there has been one reported crash at the intersection during the past three years.

**ACTION: Provide recommendation to the City Commission.**

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Woosley presented the information provided in the staff report.

Public comment:

None.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WOODS, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE REQUEST FOR A STOP SIGN ON MAPLE STREET AT 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET BE DENIED; THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.**

**David Woosley**

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**From:** Laura Moriarty [laura\_moriarty@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:52 PM  
**To:** David Woosley  
**Subject:** intersection concern

Hi,

I don't know if I'm writing the right person, but I'm concerned about an uncontrolled intersection near my house. There is no stop sign at the intersection of North 3rd and Maple. I was almost in an accident there yesterday, and I think there will be a serious accident there some day if something isn't changed. I called a city office yesterday, and someone explained that people are supposed to yield to the driver on the right. I know this is the rule for four way stops, but I don't think it's a good rule for an intersection with no stop sign. People are usually traveling pretty quickly on North 3rd, and I've never seen a driver on 3rd yield to a car on Maple, no matter which direction it was coming from. I've never even seen a driver on 3rd slow down for a car on Maple. (It's a good thing I did yesterday, however, as the driver on Maple, on my left, blew through the intersection without stopping. The person from the city I spoke with yesterday assured me that if there would have been an accident, the other driver would have gotten the ticket, but I would prefer no accidents at all. If you are not the person I should talk with about this, could you please forward my concern to the appropriate address? Thanks, Laura Moriarty

## **Section 2B.05 STOP Sign Applications**

### **Guidance:**

STOP signs should be used if engineering judgment indicates that one or more of the following conditions exist:

- A. Intersection of a less important road with a main road where application of the normal right-of-way rule would not be expected to provide reasonable compliance with the law;
- B. Street entering a through highway or street;
- C. Unsignalized intersection in a signalized area; and/or
- D. High speeds, restricted view, or crash records indicate a need for control by the STOP sign.

### **Standard:**

**Because the potential for conflicting commands could create driver confusion, STOP signs shall not be installed at intersections where traffic control signals are installed and operating except as noted in Section 4D.01.**

**Portable or part-time STOP signs shall not be used except for emergency and temporary traffic control zone purposes.**

### **Guidance:**

STOP signs should not be used for speed control.

STOP signs should be installed in a manner that minimizes the numbers of vehicles having to stop. At intersections where a full stop is not necessary at all times, consideration should be given to using less restrictive measures such as YIELD signs (see Section 2B.08).

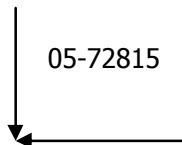
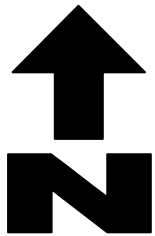


City of Lawrence, Kansas  
Traffic Engineering Division  
Crash Diagram



Location: 3rd Street & Maple Street

Date: 2005-2007



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