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**Sent:** Monday, August 03, 2009 3:58 PM  
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'scott@trinityinhomecare.com'  
**Subject:** TSC meeting agenda item no 4 - August 03, 2009

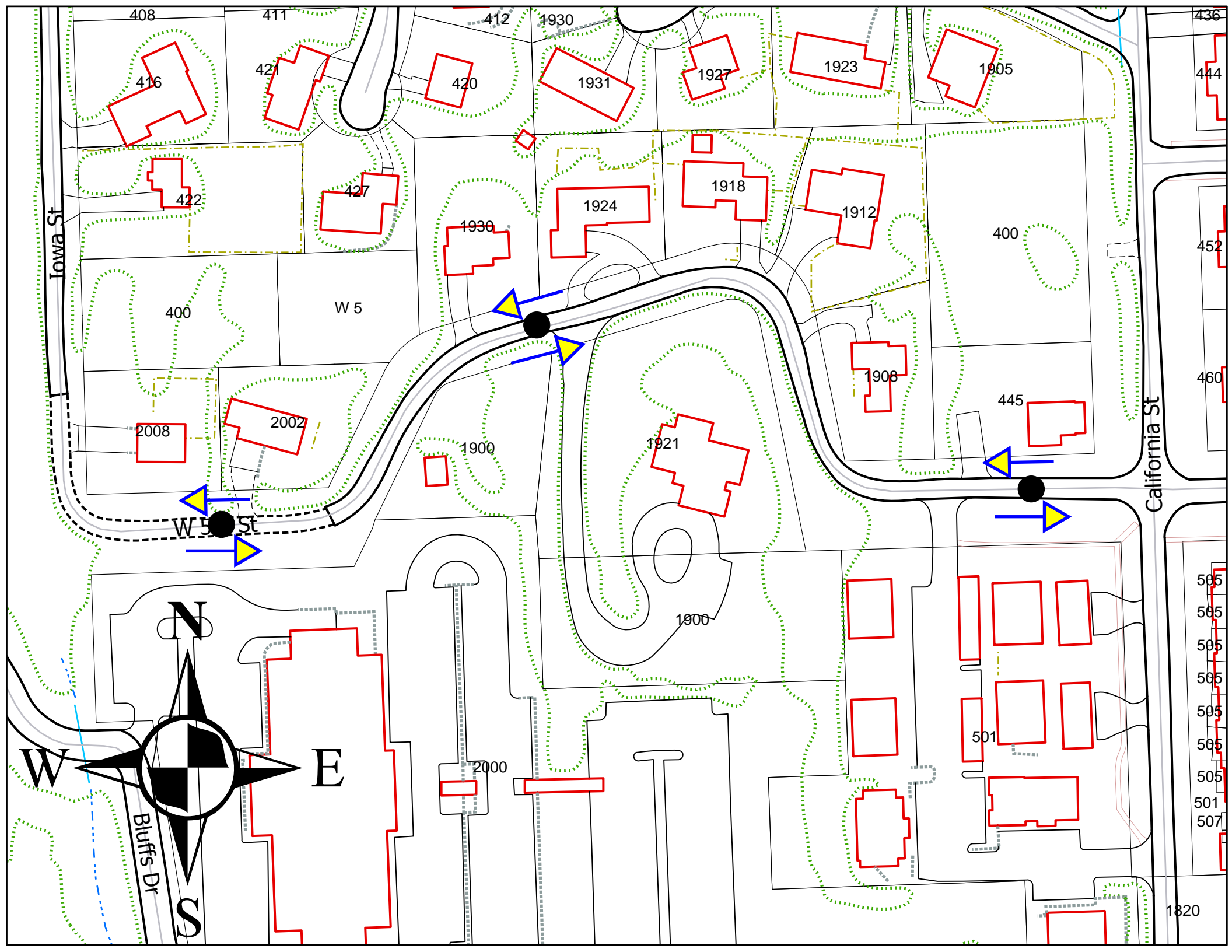
Commissioners,

With respect to agenda item no. 4, please note the following.

As mentioned in the staff report, the speed limit on local streets is 30 mph by state law unless established otherwise. At this location, due to sharp horizontal curve and steep vertical grades, the recommended speed limit as posted is 10 mph. The speed data collected by city staff shows that 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed is much higher than the recommended speed limit of 10 mph.

Thank you.

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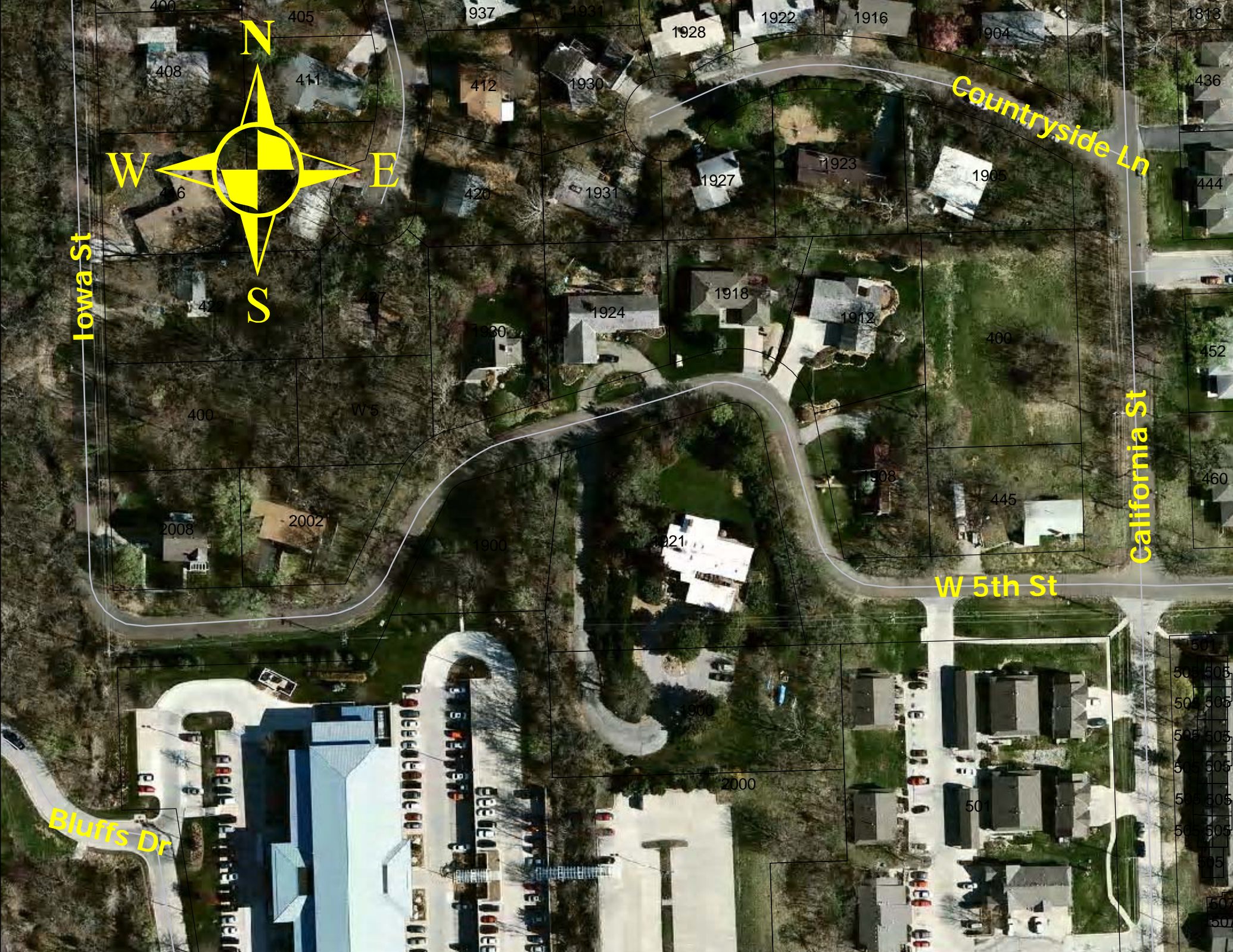
Iowa St

Countryside Ln

California St

W 5th St

Bluffs Dr





## Licenses Check

Date: 7/7/09 Tuesday  
 Weather : Clear  
 Temp.: 82  
 Counted by: Kip & Deb

	W. 4th St & Iowa St	W. 5th St & California St		W. 5th St & California St	W. 4th St & Iowa St
TIME	SB	EB		WB	NB
4:00 - 4:05 PM		493, 770, BHL			BHL,359
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4:10 - 4:15 PM					
4:15 - 4:20 PM				NEW TAG	
4:20 - 4:25 PM					
4:25 - 4:30 PM					
4:30 - 4:35 PM		377, AYA		377, 766	
4:35 - 4:40 PM				083	083
4:40 - 4:45 PM	ABN, BHL			083, 903	
4:45 - 4:50 PM		903		BNO	
4:50 - 4:55 PM				ADH, 437	
4:55 - 5:00 PM		NEW TAG, 437			

\* Tag # 083 has a plumbing van

**From:** Diane Stoddard

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2009 8:31 AM

**To:** Charles Soules

**Cc:** Cynthia Boecker; Jonathan Douglass; Scott McCullough; David L. Corliss; Shoeb Uddin

**Subject:** TSC re 5th Street

Chuck, as we were directed by the CC last night, can you have David Woosley initiate a Traffic Safety Commission review of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, particularly in the area of the hill discussed to identify options and any recommendations concerning possible additional traffic control?

**Thanks, Diane**



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**Mary Miller**

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**From:** David Woosley  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:26 AM  
**To:** Mary Miller  
**Subject:** RE: traffic safety commission draft minutes

**ITEM NO. 4:****Consider request from the City Commission to evaluate the need for TRAFFIC CALMING on 5<sup>th</sup> Street between California Street & Iowa Street.**

David Woosley presented the information provided in the staff report and distributed a memo from the city engineer (attached).

## Public comment:

Lance Antle, 1908 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street: Backing out of my driveway is pretty dangerous because of the blind curve; there have been two accidents in front of my driveway in the ten years I have lived there; we are looking for ways to decrease the amount of traffic that's passing through the area; safety is an issue; another issue is increasing the traction of the roadway; whenever there is snow or ice, a number of vehicles end-up off the roadway in the ditch.

Chris Caldwell, 926 Alma Court: I'm here because my fiancé lives next door to a proposed new house and it is our feeling that the proposed driveway is a death-trap driveway; one-hundred percent of the neighborhood is opposed to the driveway; to the extent that speed bumps were discussed, there is opposition to that; we're here to see what we can do to enhance safety on the street; the problem is transient traffic through there.

Jackie Schafer, 1930 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street: The only thing I would say about the data is that it was collected while KU was not in session and a lot of the traffic is from the apartment complex; however, the point is that the proposed driveway is unsafe; we don't need any speed bumps.

Commissioner Harden: Traditional traffic calming strategies are probably inappropriate; I drove the street and was calmed by the grade, the curves and the narrowness of the roadway.

Commissioner Woods: We don't have any control over someone wanting to put in a driveway.

Commissioner Ziegelmeyer: I've driven it a number of times and the thought of putting traffic calming devices there makes no sense at all; the road itself is it's own traffic calming device.

Commissioner Smith: I don't think it's appropriate for us to make a recommendation one way

or the other on the driveway; we need to restrict our action to the item on the agenda.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARDEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH, TO RECOMMEND THAT TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES NOT BE INSTALLED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN CALIFORNIA STREET & IOWA STREET; THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**