AGENDA - TSC 5/3/10

ITEM NO. 2:

Consider request to establish NO PARKING along the north side of 13th Street between Oread Avenue and Louisiana Street

Facts:

- 1. 13th Street is paved approximately 25 feet wide.
- 2. NO Parking is currently established by city code along the south side of the street.

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David Woosley presented the information provided in the staff report.

Public comment:

Danny Kaiser, University of Kansas Transit: I'm here to speak in favor of this request. During the Oread Hotel construction, buses were re-routed on 13th Street; this proved to be an easier route for us to take than 12th Street had been. This parking has been temporarily removed for a year and a half now and has worked well; both City and KU buses are able to make the turns and we ask that you lend your support to this request.

Commissioner Smith asked whether NO PARKING is needed at all times or just during certain hours; Kaiser advised that it would be preferable to have it at all times since late night buses are run on Friday and Saturday nights.

Commissioner Harden: The width of the street is inadequate to allow parking and also permit two-way traffic with eight-foot-wide buses.

Commissioner Smith: I tend to agree; particularly with the blue KU buses.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARDEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HECKLER, TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHING NO PARKING ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF 13TH STREET BETWEEN OREAD AVENUE AND LOUISIANA STREET; THE MOTION WAS APPROVED 7-0.

David Woosley

From: Robert Nugent

Sent: Thursday, April 08, 2010 10:16 AM

To: David Woosley; Shoeb Uddin; Charles Soules

Cc: 'Kaiser, Danny'

Subject: Agenda Item: Traffic Safety Commission

Attachments: 13th Parking.jpg

I would like to submit the following item to be placed on the agenda for the next Traffic Safety Commission Meeting:

"Permanent Removal of Parking on the north side of 13th Street between Oread Street and Louisiana"

During the construction of the Oread Hotel rerouting of transit service was necessary. In order to accommodate this rerouting parking was temporarily removed on north side of 13th Street between Oread Avenue and Louisiana Street (see attachment). With the construction complete the Public Transit Department, with support of KU Parking and Transit, would like to request a permanent removal of these spaces. Combined we currently operate approximately 350 trips a day though this portion of the route which ultimately allows service to access both GSP and Corbin Halls which are located just north of 11th Street. If parking were reinstituted on this section of 13th Street five separate routes would have to be changed and would ultimately force service away from existing ridership and into more narrow streets in residential areas. Thank you for your consideration.

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