

Bobbie Walthall

From: Mark Thiel
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 9:40 AM
To: Diane Stoddard; Bobbie Walthall
Cc: David Woosley; Charles Soules; David Cronin
Subject: FW: 27th Street traffic input

Additional 27th Street correspondence

Mark Thiel
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From: Barbara Hillmer [<mailto:carlynhillmer@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2015 3:54 PM
To: Mark Thiel
Cc: Barbara Hillmer
Subject: Re: 27th Street traffic input

Mr. Thiel,

The following are proposed solutions appropriate to deal with the temporary increase in traffic on [27th Street](#) due to the closure of [31st Street](#) that we discussed:

- 1) Monitor speed compliance and enforce the appropriate speed limits.
- 2) Take no specific additional action at this time. This is a temporary situation that is likely to resolve itself when [31st Street](#) reopens.

Thank you.
Barbara Hillmer
2533 Jasu Drive

Sent from [Outlook](#)

On Mon, May 11, 2015 at 8:42 AM -0700, "Barbara Hillmer" <carlynhillmer@gmail.com> wrote:

Mr. Thiel,

I am writing regarding the current discussion about traffic calming options for 27th Street between Louisiana and Iowa Streets, which I understand is to be discussed at the May 12 City Commission meeting. While I support current efforts to manage the increased traffic 27th St. currently has due to the closing of 31st St., I am concerned and hope we do not respond inappropriately to this temporary situation.

I believe the question we should be addressing (and hope that it is the one we ARE addressing) is how to manage the increased traffic with this temporary 31 St. closure. What I would oppose is the implementation of more “permanent” tactics such as roundabouts and the like. I do not know if these types of strategies are being considered, but I would urge the City to make sure it does not attempt to implement permanent solutions for temporary problems.

Normally, 27th St. does not need “traffic calming” options. So the fact that this is a topic for the City Commission is concerning. Therefore, I am writing you to urge the City to consider only temporary measures to address a temporary situation.

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Barbara Hillmer
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From: Mark Thiel
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-----Original Message-----

From: nick kounas [<mailto:vaio2mac@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2015 12:49 PM
To: Mark Thiel
Subject: traffic calming options 27th st.

I overlooked the postcard I received. Hopefully not much time was wasted on this subject. I can tell you from experience that me and my neighbors would prefer to take Louisiana in from 458 or use 31st st. Once that road work is done, I'm confident this problem will alleviate itself. I'm sure you already know this.

thanks,
nick kounas

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From: Mark Thiel
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 9:43 AM
To: Diane Stoddard; Bobbie Walthall
Cc: Charles Soules; David Woosley; David Cronin
Subject: FW: Amy Sanchez has shared a photo with you using Dropbox

Additional correspondence on 27th St

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From: Amy Sanchez [<mailto:amsanchez74@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2015 1:37 PM
To: Mark Thiel
Cc: Laura Gloeckner
Subject: Amy Sanchez has shared a photo with you using Dropbox

Hi,

Here's a link to "2015-05-22 14.57.32.png" in my Dropbox:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/t0lrdjyus2zgkdu/2015-05-22%2014.57.32.png?dl=0>

This is a picture of the traffic pattern in the area on Friday afternoon, May 22nd a little before 3:00 pm pulled from Google Maps.

Notice that the traffic is actually MORE congested on 27th Street and Louisiana than it is on 23rd street.

The reason that all of these cars are diverting to 27th is to avoid the stop lights on 23rd street. That is also reiterated in the public comments from the various newspaper articles written by the Lawrence Journal World concerning 27th Street.

It would stand to reason that if you put up temporary stop signs on 27th street that traffic would avoid this passage. Please let me know when we can anticipate the additional stop signs as suggested in the recent City Commission meeting.

Thank you.

Amy

Sent from my iPad

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Subject: FW: traffic calming on 27th

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gary and Becky Connelly [<mailto:garybeckyc@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, May 25, 2015 7:12 PM
To: Mark Thiel; Jeremy Farmer; isoden@lawrenceks.org; Mike Amyx; Stuart Boley; Matthew Herbert
Subject: Re: traffic calming on 27th

A follow up to my previous email regarding changes in traffic calming on 27th St:

Please no new stop signs on 27th St!

School is out so very few kids will be walking and it reduces the number of cars traveling that road. 31st will be done before school starts again which will relieve traffic on 27th.

If stop signs are placed at the intersection of 27th and Ridge Ct it may back up traffic to Iowa St some parts of the day. Stop signs will also increase car emissions and fuel usage.

A crosswalk signal would be great at the existing Naismith Valley Trail crosswalk.

Thank you.
Gary Connelly