

## **AGENDA: TSC 5/4/15**

ITEM NO. 5: Consider request to establish NO PARKING along one side of 26<sup>th</sup> Street and along one side of Atchison Avenue.

Staff Report:

1. Both 26<sup>th</sup> Street and Atchison Avenue are classified as "local" streets in a residential area; 26<sup>th</sup> Street is paved approximately 30 feet wide and Atchison Avenue is paved approximately 26 feet wide.
2. Parking is currently permitted along both sides of 26<sup>th</sup> Street and along both sides of Atchison Avenue.
3. Parking can be restricted to one side only; however, it should be noted that restricting parking can have an unintended consequence of increasing the speed of traffic.

## **MINUTES: TSC 5/4/15**

### ITEM NO. 5:

Consider request to establish NO PARKING along one side of W. 26<sup>TH</sup> Street and along one side of Atchison Avenue.

Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Public Comments:

Pamela Baughman, 2432 Atchison Avenue: When servicing our RV, we have to park on our side of the street; we're happy to work with any neighbors, but we don't want to do away with parking on our side of the street.

Mary Roach, 3101 W. 26<sup>th</sup> Street: There are not a lot of cars parking on the street; I do not see any reason to limit parking to one side of the street or the other

Kevin Doyle, 2431 Atchison Avenue: I would agree that it makes no sense to limit parking on 26<sup>th</sup>; the parking on Atchison provides some traffic calming; it is rare to find cars parked across from one another; I would prefer that parking be allowed on both sides.

Susan Ralston, 3005 W 26<sup>th</sup> Street: I am not in favor of eliminating parking on one side; I don't think it is necessary.

Kermit Cottrell, 3104 W. 26<sup>th</sup> Street: There is a house for hospice care that needs the parking.

Nancy Huckeba, 3004 Flint Drive: I agree with what my neighbors have said; the cut-through traffic is the problem.

Stan McMechan, 2511 Atchison Avenue: On occasion, throughout the year, all of us on Atchison have an event when the parking is needed; I'm against limiting parking to one side of the street.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Devlin: I keep hearing most people's arguments against the no parking on one side and I would like to point-out that removing parking could increase speeding.

Commissioner Jones: I don't really see any reason to restrict parking to one side or the other.

Commissioner Storm: The only reason I would consider removing the parking is because of the bike route, but, until traffic calming can be provided, the best thing to do is allow parking on both sides.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STORM, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HARROD, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST TO ESTABLISH NO PARKING ALONG ONE SIDE OF W. 26<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND ALONG ONE SIDE OF ATCHISON AVENUE; THE MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.**

## David Woosley

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**From:** nancy huckeba <narehu@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:08 AM  
**To:** David Woosley  
**Subject:** Lawrence Avenue, 26th St. Atchison Ave.

Dear Mr. Woosley:

I realize you are quite busy so thought perhaps this would be a better way for us to communicate than by phone.

In our neighborhood of Prairie Meadows what we are most concerned with now is the "cut through" traffic. My neighbors and I hope that no tragic accident will occur. We have a diverse close knit community. This is what we want you to know, we talk about this problem often. We are out walking and biking and doing yard work. This is an older established neighborhood near Holcomb Park, there are young families with small children, and older & disabled people in a nearby group home. There are strollers, bicycles, walkers, and wheel chairs in use. Many neighbors walk for exercise.

Atchison Avenue to 26th Street, and Lawrence Avenue is a "cut through" route. My kitchen window faces the corner of 26th & Flint Dr. I can hear and see vehicles accelerating as they turn the corners to use the a fore mentioned route. This is not a rare occurrence. I recently heard a vehicle before I saw it speed by, the driver was on his cell phone, I estimate the speed was over 50 mph. I was almost hit head-on by a speeding driver on Atchison Ave, weaving in and out between vehicles that were parked along Atchison on both sides. Her head was bent over a cellular devise until I honked. She flipped me off as she sped by!

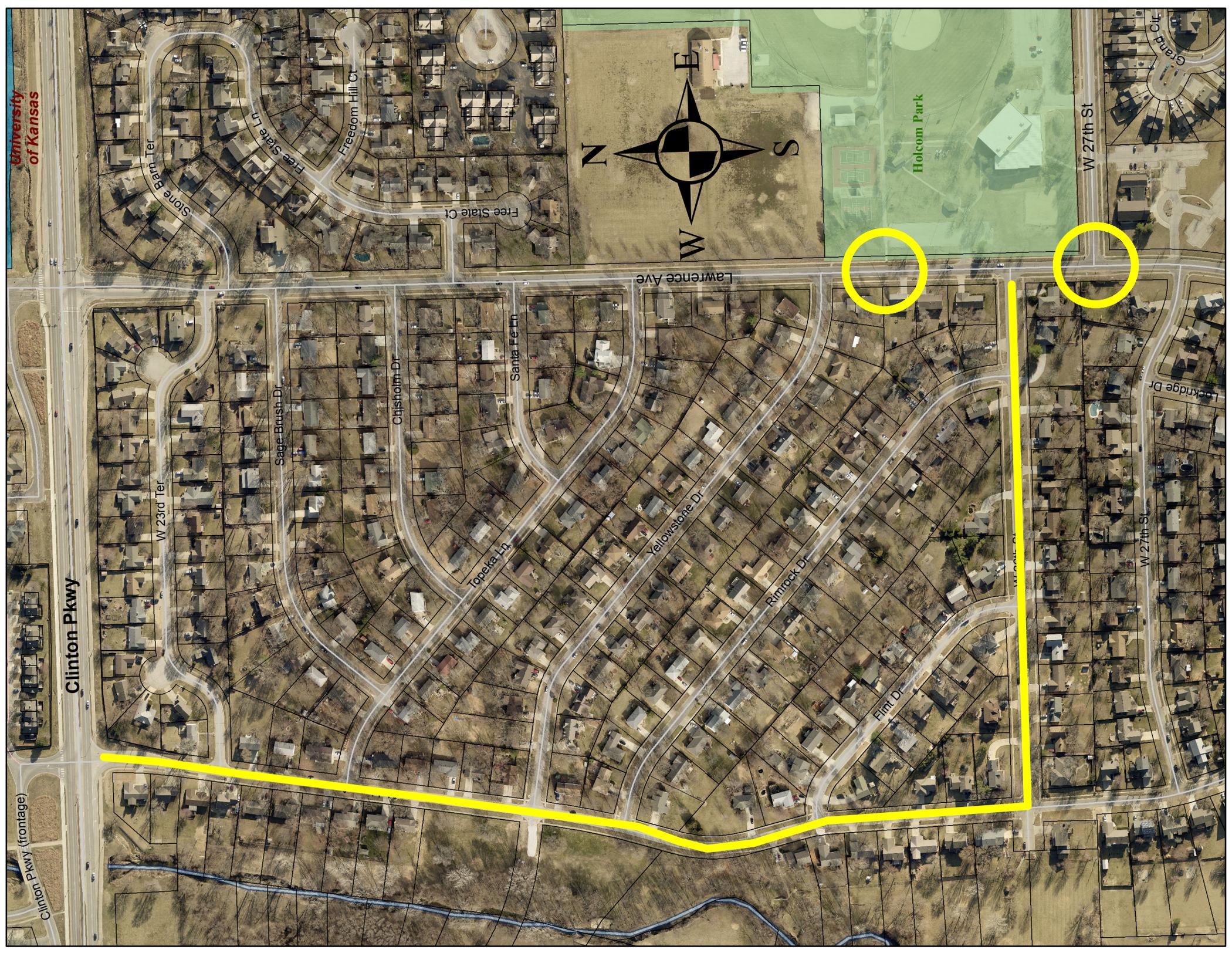
We ask for your consideration of this request:

- 1-2 speed humps along 26th & Atchison each
- marked pedestrian crossings at the 3 way stop( Lawrence Ave. & 27th)
- marked crossing & crossing sign with arrows, sidewalk to sidewalk across Lawrence Ave to Holcomb where the handicapped accessible curbs are
- parking only on one side of Atchison & 26th

Thank you for giving this matter your attention Mr. Woosley.  
We are willing to put together a petition, if that is what you advise.  
I look forward to your response to share with our neighbors.

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Holcom Park

Clinton Pkwy

Clinton Pkwy (frontage)

W 23rd Ter

Sage Brush Dr

Chisholm Dr

Topeka Ln

Santa Fe Ln

Yellowstone Dr

Rimrock Dr

Flint Dr

Lawrence Ave

W 27th St

W 27th St

Lockridge Dr

Grand Cir