**AGENDA: TSC 6/6/16** 

ITEM NO. 5:

Consider request for TRAFFIC CALMING on 19<sup>th</sup> Terrace between Naismith Drive and Ousdahl Road.

#### Staff Report:

- 1. 19<sup>th</sup> Terrace is classified as a "local" street, paved approximately 25 feet wide, with a speed limit of 30 mph, as established by State Law.
- 2. The City's *Traffic Calming Policy* permits traffic calming devices on "local" streets if the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit, if the 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 1000, or, if cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day.
- 3. Traffic data collected on 19<sup>th</sup> Terrace found the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic to be approximately 32.1 mph, the 24-hour two-way traffic volume to be approximately 390, and, the cut-through traffic to comprise approximately 30% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day.
- 4. Therefore, 19<sup>th</sup> Terrace does not meet the minimum criteria for consideration of traffic calming.

MINUTES: TSC 6/6/16

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

**Public Comments:** 

None.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STORM, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC CALMING ON 19<sup>TH</sup> TERRACE BETWEEN NAISMITH DRIVE AND OUSDAHL ROAD; THE MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

## **David Woosley**

From: Kevin Kelly [mailto:kukhawk@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 10:31 AM

To:

**Subject:** Re: Central District

I am wanting to look into the possibility of making Ousdahl No Parking from 19th St to 20th St. I would like to apply to put a stop sign at 19th Terrace and Ousdahl. I would like to start the process to have speed bumps and a lowered speed limit on 19th Terr between Ousdahl and Naismith.

I still have concern with the new project and parking. It doesn't matter how many pay to park spots KU puts at the new area or spots for new KU residents there will still be students that decide our hood is free and close enough to walk to KU classes or park for the bus stop. Our hood will be the new expanded free parking lot. How about new free parking spots to be added along 19th St while we are doing that project? The existing churches on 19th between Ousdahl and Naismith could use more parking. The churches already use 19th Terr. for parking.

Kevin



# TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY

# Resolution No. 6602, August 23, 2005

- 1. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may include but are not limited to Traffic-Calming Circles, Speed Humps and Speed Cushions, Speed Tables, Partial Diverters, Full Diverters, Center Island Narrowing, Chokers, and Road Closures; however, roundabouts are traffic management devices and are not subject to this policy.
- 2. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may be permitted on "local" streets as designated by the City's Major Thoroughfares Map, and under any one of the following conditions:
  - A. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit, or
  - B. The 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 1000, or
  - C. Cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day, or
  - D. Where no single condition is satisfied, but where any two of A, B or C above are satisfied to the extent of 80 percent or more of the stated values.
- 3. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES (except SPEED HUMPS) may be permitted on "collector" streets as designated by the City's Major Thoroughfares Map, under any one of the following conditions:
  - A. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit, or
  - B. The 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 3000, or
  - C. Cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day, or
  - D. More than 50% of the frontage of the roadway consists of residential lots with the houses facing the roadway in question, or
  - E. Where no single condition is satisfied, but where any two of A, B, C or D above are satisfied to the extent of 80 percent or more of the stated values.
- 4. Traffic data will be collected with city personnel using city equipment only. In the event that a requested location does not meet the minimum requirements as stated in 2 or 3 above, subsequent requests will not be considered for a minimum of one year.
- 5. The Lawrence-Douglas County Fire & Medical Department, the Police Department, the Public Works Department and the Traffic Safety Commission must review all requests for TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES before being presented to the City Commission.
- 6. If a project is approved by the City Commission, the City Commission will determine financing of the construction. The City Commission may require 0-100% of the costs to be paid by the group or neighborhood making the request.
- 7. After a project is approved and funded by the City Commission, TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES will only be constructed at a location if 70% or more of the property owners within 300 feet measured along the centerline of the street in each direction approve of the installation or if directed by the City Commission. The individual, group or neighborhood making the request shall be responsible for obtaining the property owners' and residents' approval in writing and submitting it to the city.
- 8. Once installed, TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may only be removed at a location if more than 70% of the property owners and residents within 300 feet measured along the centerline of the street in each direction approve of the removal or if directed by the City Commission. The individual, group or neighborhood making the request shall be responsible for obtaining the property owners' and residents' approval in writing and submitting it to the city.
- 9. TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES may initially be landscaped (if appropriate) by the city, provided that the group or neighborhood making the request agrees in writing to maintain the landscaping or pursuant to the payment of a landscape maintenance fee. No privately installed landscaping is permitted unless approved by the city in writing.



### **David Woosley**

From: Kevin Kelly <kukhawk@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 6:41 PM

**To:** David Woosley **Subject:** 19th St Terr

Hi all,

First I would like to express my apologies for not being at tonight's meeting. Somewhere along the lines I messed up and thought the meeting was at 6:00, no excuses. I was at City Hall at 6 and don't think I will be able to return at 7:00, I am disabled and it took some effort to be there at 6.

Business at hand; Please consider 19th Terr between Ousdahl and Naismith for some sort of traffic calming device or speed limit change. I think we are in a unique area of Lawrence that experiences several different traffic issues depending on what is happening with the University. It is also quite easy to use 19th Terr as a non stop cut from Naismith to 19th and Ousdahl or other way around. 2 day traffic study in April with the bus stops closed and no access to KU with all the construction (new waterline construction too), doesn't tell our story. At very least please consider a 2 way stop sign at 19th Terr and Ousdahl to slow the cut through, make pedestrians safer, and stop some traffic accidents.

When students are parked along the street (which WILL increase in the near future) traffic usually doesn't want to slow and you have 2 cars passing one another at 30mph with minimal space. Not safe with all the student traffic and parkers. Basketball season is a different issue altogether. Just my prediction but in the near future with 2,000 new students living across 19th and Ousdahl everyday will resemble a basketball game day at our end of the neighborhood. It's busy as things are and we would appreciate your consideration to slow things down. Every nearby neighbor I have spoken with has expressed concern over this and other traffic issues with our area. Thanks!

Kevin Kelly 1633 W 19th Terr