

URBANA TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Tuesday, March 5, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Smith, Senior Civil Engineer
Eddie Adair, Chief of Police

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Milton Otto, City Council Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Shawn Crowley, Parking Enforcement
Troy Richmond, 1104 North Division Street
Pat Stebbins, Housing Authority of Champaign County
Connie Brown, Principal, Washington School
James McCall, 1011 North Division Street

Meeting began at 4:15 p.m.

Additions to the agenda:

There were no additions to the agenda.

In the absence of Chairman Otto, Joe Smith assumed the position of chairperson.

Approval of Minutes:

Eddie Adair moved to accept the minutes as read. Joe Smith seconded the motion. The Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of February 2002.

Item #1 - Discussion of street closing on Chapin Street between Berkley Avenue and Broadway Avenue.

Joe Smith stated that the Traffic Commission had approved an experimental street closing of Chapin Street at its September 2001 meeting. He asked for input regarding the outcome of the temporary street closing.

Connie Brown, Principal, Washington School, stated that the street closing had worked very well. She stated that she had not received any complaints about the street closing.

Joe Smith added that the Traffic Commissioners had not received any complaints.

Joe Smith moved to make the street closing of Chapin Street between Berkley Avenue and Broadway during the loading and unloading of students at Washington School a permanent closing during those times.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 2-0.

This motion does not require Council action.

Item #2 - Discussion of traffic flow on Division Street.

Eddie Adair stated that he had discussed the suggestion of placing a gate between Lakeside Terrace and Division Street with Rex Mundt, Urbana Fire and Rescue Chief and Bill Gray, Public Works Director. Chief Adair stated that he would only approve the use of a gate on the public street if all of the City's Police and Fire department's vehicles and ambulances were equipped with devices that met the City's specifications and opened the gate. He added that Mr. Gray was concerned about the cost, precedent and access of the gate.

Pat Stebbins stated that the Housing Authority had looked at closing the street as part of a plan discussed five years ago. She said that using a gate might alleviate drive through traffic in that area. Ms. Stebbins added that the Housing Authority would authorize a moderate amount of money to pay for the gate and equipment if the gate would eliminate some of the problems in the area. She stated that she would look at the possibility of a grant for crime prevention from Housing and Urban Development.

Mr. Richmond stated that he would contact Chief Mundt to ask for the cost of equipping vehicles with the Opticom device to open the gate.

Ms. Stebbins stated that she would contact Mr. Davis from the Housing Authority and the tenants' union to discuss the feasibility of the gate.

The item will be discussed at the next Traffic Commission meeting.

Item #3 - Discussion of STEP enforcement reports.

Chief Adair presented the February STEP enforcement reports to the Traffic Commission (see attached).

Meeting adjourned 4:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 2, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Stiehl
Recording Secretary

URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: CHIEF ADAIR
FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN
SUBJECT: FEBRUARY STEP
DATE: 3/15/2002
CC: BARB STIEHL

BRADLEY AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/06/02	1300-1500	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

GREEN STREET (CAMPUS)

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/11/02	1100-1300	11-306C	DISOBEYED TRAFFIC SIGNAL
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

LINCOLN AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
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02/04/02	0700-0900	11-601b	44 MPH in 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601b	45 MPH in 30 MPH ZONE

LINCOLN AVENUE- CONTINUED

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/04/02	0700-0900	11-601b	46 MPH in 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601b	45 MPH in 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601b	46 MPH in 30 MPHZONE
02/27/02	0700-0900	11-601b	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WASHINGTON STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/15/02	1300-1500	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	53 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WINDSOR ROAD

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/25/02	0700-0900	11-601B	54 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE

11-601B	53 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
11-601B	53 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE

URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: CHIEF ADAIR
FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN
SUBJECT: FEBRUARY SCHOOL STEP
DATE: 3/15/2002
CC: BARB STIEHL

UMS

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/01/02	1500-1700	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-605	30 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	35 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
02/13/02	1500-1700	6-303	SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE
		11-605	34 MPH in 20 MPH ZONE
02/22/02	1500-1700	11-605	42 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	38 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE