

URBANA TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
Tuesday, October 5, 2004

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Milton Otto, City Council Member  
William Gray, City Engineer  
Eddie Adair, Chief of Police

OTHERS PRESENT:

Shawn Crowley, Parking Enforcement  
Helen Sadoris, 807 South Wabash Avenue

The meeting began at 4:05 p.m.

**Additions to the agenda:**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Eddie Adair moved to accept the minutes. Bill Gray seconded the motion.  
The Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes from September 2004 as read.

**Item #1 - Discussion of access to driveway at 807 South Wabash Avenue.**

Ms. Sadoris discussed the difficulty she experienced when backing out of her driveway while vehicles were parked too close to her driveway and the turning radius was restricted by a vehicle parked directly across the street from her driveway.

Milton Otto explained that vehicles were prohibited from parking within five feet of a driveway by City ordinance.

Shawn Crowley suggested that Ms. Sadoris call the Urbana Police Department if a vehicle was blocking her driveway.

Ms. Sadoris stated that the problem occurred most often over the weekend.

Bill Gray explained the advantages of widening Ms. Sadoris' driveway as a solution to providing better access to her driveway. He stated that increasing the flare to the driveway would allow more room to access the driveway and require vehicles to park farther from the

driveway. He added that the cost of widening the driveway would be borne by the homeowner and would require a permit from the City. Mr. Gray suggested parking restrictions on the street as another solution to Ms. Saddoris' concern.

Ms. Saddoris stated that she did not want to penalize her neighbors by reducing the parking on the street. She stated that she was unaware of the current ordinance prohibiting parking near the driveway.

Mr. Gray asked Ms. Saddoris to contact the police department if vehicles were blocking her driveway.

Eddie Adair stated that he would direct parking enforcement to check that area for violations.

**Item #2 - Discussion of ordinance changes for parking near driveways.**

This item has been postponed to the November Traffic Commission meeting.

**Item #3 - Discussion of parking restrictions on Harding Drive.**

This item has been postponed to the November Traffic Commission meeting.

**Item #4 - Discussion of traffic concerns on Smith Road at Main Street.**

A resident expressed concern about the difficulty that southbound vehicles have trying to turn from Smith Road onto Main Street. The resident explained that during peak traffic times, southbound traffic waiting to turn onto Main Street was backed onto University Avenue.

Mr. Gray suggested that the City look at the intersection to determine if stop signs were warranted. He also asked that the City study the traffic patterns to determine if the southbound lane could be split to allow a lane for left-turn lanes and right-turn lanes.

**Item #5- Discussion of sign visibility on Lincoln Avenue at Michigan Avenue.**

Bill Gray discussed concerns he received from a citizen about vehicular and pedestrian traffic conflicts on Lincoln Avenue. Mr. Gray stated that the City of Urbana was formalizing criteria for installing yield signs in the medians of City streets. He informed the Committee of plans to install traffic signals at the intersections of Lincoln Avenue and Pennsylvania Avenue and Lincoln Avenue and Nevada Street next year. He said that with these intersections signalized, pedestrians would have more gaps in vehicle traffic during which they could safely cross Lincoln Avenue. In addition to the traffic signals, he added that the City was looking at the possibility of changing Lincoln Avenue from a four-lane street to a three-lane street. He said that the City was working with the University of Illinois to achieve long-term solutions.

**Item # 6- Discussion of the installation of a crosswalk on Lincoln Avenue at Ohio Street.**

This item was discussed along with Item #4.

Chief Adair discussed the August and September STEP reports. (See attached reports.)

Mr. Otto announced that he would no longer serve on the Urbana Traffic Commission effective October 24, 2004.

Meeting adjourned 4:45 P.M.

The next meeting of the Urbana Traffic Commission will be on **Tuesday, November 9, 2004** at 4:00 p.m. Urbana City Building, Second Floor Conference Room, 400 South Vine, Urbana.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Stiehl  
Recording Secretary

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**URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** CHIEF ADAIR  
**FROM:** SGT. JACOBSEN  
**SUBJECT:** AUGUST 2004 STEP  
**DATE:** 10/14/2004  
**CC:** BARB STHIEL

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**BRADLEY AVENUE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/31/04	1500-1700	11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**LANTERN HILL**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/02/04	0730-0930	NONE	
08/19/04	1630-1830	NONE	

**LINCOLN AVENUE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/11/04	1300-1500	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	53 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**LINCOLN AVENUE (CON'T)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/11/04	1300-1500	11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
08/23/04	1500-1700	11-601B	48 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-804	UNSAFE LANE CHANGE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

**RACE STREET**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/13/04	0700-0900	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**WASHINGTON**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/10/04	1100-1300	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
08/25/04	1300-1500	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

**WINDSOR ROAD**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
08/06/04	1100-1300	11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	55 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
08/27/04	0700-0900	11-601B	50 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-601B	55 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE

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**URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** CHIEF ADAIR  
**FROM:** SGT. JACOBSEN  
**SUBJECT:** SEPTEMBER STEP 2004  
**DATE:** 10/14/2004  
**CC:** BARB STHIEL

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**BRADLEY AVENUE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/21/04	1300-1500	11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**COLORADO (No loud car stereo noted)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/16/04	1900-2100	NONE	
09/18/04	1900-2100	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
09/20/04	1900-2100	NONE	
09/22/04	1900-2100	6-303	SUSPENDED LICENSE

**LANTERN HILL**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/09/04	0715-0915	NONE	
(Moved to Kinch)		11-601b	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		12-603.1	NO SEAT BELT

**LINCOLN AND GREEN**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/28/04	0700-0900	11-306	DISOBEYED RED LIGHT
		12-603.1	NO SEAT BELT
		6-101	NO DRIVER'S LICENSE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**LINCOLN AVENUE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/10/04	0700-0900	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		6-101	NO DRIVER'S LICENSE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
09/14/04	1300-1500	6-303	SUSPENDED LICENSE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE



**LINCOLN AVENUE (CON'T)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/24/04	1700-1900	11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	60 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**RACE STREET**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/15/04	0700-0900	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**WASHINGTON STREET**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/08/04	1100-1300	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
09/16/04	1500-1700	11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**WASHINGTON STREET (CON'T)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/16/04	1500-1700	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-413	EXPIRED REGISTRATION
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

**WINDSOR ROAD**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/27/04	1300-1500	11-601B	53 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	58 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

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**URBANA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** CHIEF ADAIR  
**FROM:** SGT. JACOBSEN  
**SUBJECT:** SEPTEMBER 2004 SCHOOL STEP  
**DATE:** 10/14/2004  
**CC:** BARB STHIEL

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**KING SCHOOL**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/22/04	1400-1600	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

**URBANA HIGH SCHOOL**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/07/04	0700-0900	11-601B	38 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-605	36 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
09/23/04	0700-0900	11-605	32 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	32 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		12-603.1	NO SEAT BELT

**URBANA MIDDLE SCHOOL**

09/10/04	0700-0900	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-605	33 IN 20 MPH ZONE
09/29/04	1430-1630	NONE	

**UMS (CON'T)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/30/04	1500-1700	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-305	DISOBEYED TRAFFIC SIGN

**WILEY SCHOOL**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
09/01/04	0700-0900	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
09/13/04	1400-1600	11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE