

## URBANA TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Tuesday, May 1, 2001

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Carolyn Kearns, City Council Member  
Joe Smith, Assistant City Engineer  
Eddie Adair, Chief of Police

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Shawn Crowley, Traffic Enforcement Supervisor  
Glenn Berman, Engineering and Administration Manager  
Reed Berger, Economic Development Division  
William Goldstein, Flex-N-Gate  
Karen Pratt, 405 North Jackson, Champaign

Meeting began at 4:00 p.m.

### **Additions to the agenda:**

There were no additions to the agenda.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Joe Smith moved to accept the minutes as read. Eddie Adair seconded the motion. The Commission voted 3-0 to approve the minutes of February 2001.

### **Item #1 - Discussion of parking restrictions on Anderson Street from California Avenue to Illinois Street.**

Joe Smith discussed the concern of a resident who lives on California Avenue with a driveway that is accessed from Anderson Street. Mr. Smith stated that the resident was concerned about backing out of his driveway since the neighborhood streets project had reduced the width of the street. Mr. Smith summarized the content of a letter sent to the homeowners along the 500 and 600 blocks of South Anderson Street. The letter asked for input from residents about restricting parking on Anderson Street within those blocks.

Glenn Berman stated that the Engineering Division received a call from a resident in the 600 block of South Anderson asking that the City not restrict parking in that block. No other input was received. Mr. Berman suggested that the restrictions be limited to the 500 block and the City would respond to individual complaints from those in the 600 block.

Joe Smith moved to restrict parking along the west side of Anderson Street from 119 feet to 150 feet south of the centerline of California Avenue. He asked that No Parking Anytime signs be installed in this restricted area on Anderson Street between California Avenue and Illinois Street.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0.

The item will go to Council for approval.

**Item #2 - Discussion of parking restrictions on Federal Drive and Cardinal.**

Joe Smith discussed the current situation on Federal Drive and Cardinal Court stating that this is uncontrolled intersection in an industrial subdivision. He added that vehicles parked along the street and obstructed visibility in the intersection.

Joe Smith moved to install no parking signs and to paint the curb yellow on the west side of Federal Drive from 75 feet south of the centerline of Cardinal Court to 90 feet north of the centerline of Cardinal Court and on the both sides of Cardinal Court from 63 feet west of the centerline of Federal Drive.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0.

This item will go to Council for approval.

The Commission asked that the employee at Nogle and Black be notified of the Commission's recommendation.

**Item #3 - Discussion of semi truck parking along Butzow Drive, east of Guardian Drive.**

Glenn Berman discussed a resident's concern expressed about semi truck parking on Butzow Drive.

Bill Goldstein stated that semi trucks attempting to deliver to Flex-N-Gate occasionally arrive after their receiving department had gone for the day. He added that the truck drivers parked on the north side of Butzow Drive until receiving opened. He stated that there would be 5-7 semi trucks waiting for 3 to 4 hours at the most.

Joe Smith moved to prohibit parking on both sides of Guardian Drive from University Avenue to Butzow Drive.

Glenn Berman stated that those traveling from Carriage Estates trailer park would prefer that the semi trucks not park on Butzow Drive east of Guardian Drive.

Bill Goldstein stated that he would ask BCA or HDC what the cost would be to develop a temporary parking lot on the 17 acres that Flex-N-Gate recently acquired. He stated that the trucks could park across the corner from Butzow Drive and Guardian Drive, but he was concerned that the noise would be disrupted for those in the adjacent trailer park. He asked the Traffic Commission to postpone this item until next month during which time he could look into some possible solutions (such as using a temporary parking lot, allowing drivers to wait in the facility before the receiving department opened, or to open the receiving department earlier) to avoid semi truck parking on Butzow Drive.

Glenn Berman stated that the Engineering Division would observe the situation early in the morning to look at the problem and suggest possible solutions.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 3-0.

The Traffic Commission will discuss possible solutions at its next scheduled meeting.

**Addendum- Discussion of STEP reports.**

Eddie Adair discussed STEP reports for March and April. (See attached reports

Meeting adjourned 4:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 5, 2001 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Stiehl

Recording Secretary