

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD  
Wednesday, August 12th, 2020, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Bissell at 6:08 PM.

**Members Present**

Mr. Don Bissell, Chairman  
Mr. Fred Lierman, Vice Chairman  
Ms. Dorien Peterson  
Mr. Todd Fagen  
Mr. Mike Rotolo, Rockford Fire Department  
Mr. Mike Slife, Transportation, School District 205  
Mr. Cedrick Ketton, Rockford Mass Transit District  
Mr. Scott Capovilla, Community Development Department  
Mrs. Kerry Lin, Public Works Department

**Members Absent**

Mr. Dock Ward  
Sgt. Jason DoBran, Rockford Police Department  
Alderman Joseph Chiarelli, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward

**Also Present**

Ms. Jennifer Haley, Illinois Department of Central Management Services  
Mr. James Lesniak, Illinois Department of Central Management Services  
Mr. Miguel Zermano, Illinois Department of Central Management Services  
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department  
Ms. Samantha Hein, Information Technology Department

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on July 8, 2020, were approved as submitted.

**The Traffic Commission elected the officers for the 2020 – 2021 Rockford Traffic Commission and nominated the following:**

1. Chairman Nominees: D. Ward and D. Bissell. D. Bissell was elected by a vote of 8-1.
2. Vice Chairman Nominees: D. Ward and D. Peterson. D. Peterson was elected by a vote of 6-3.

**The Traffic Commission recommended the following items:**

1. A request in the 13th Ward, from Illinois Department of Central Management Services to establish Handicap Parking on the east side of Wyman Street from 185 feet north of Chestnut Street to 205 feet north of Chestnut Street, thus removing the official car parking restriction in that area. (Commission discussed that this was simply removing

the official car parking restriction and replacing it with handicapped parking. Commission recommended establishing Handicap Parking on the east side of Wyman Street from 185 feet north of Chestnut Street to 205 feet north of Chestnut Street, thus removing the official car parking restriction in that area. Motion by D. Bissell, seconded by M. Slife, Voted 8-0).

**The Traffic Commission laid over the following item:**

1. Request in the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward, by Leopoldo De La Mora, 2846 Collins Street, to establish traffic control at the intersection of Reed Avenue and Collins Street. (This item had been laid over from the July meeting so that staff could research if a sign had previously been installed there. Staff found no record of a stop sign ever being in place at the intersection. There were several citizens present at the July meeting but none in attendance at this meeting so the Commission laid this item over to give citizens another opportunity to speak on this item.)

**Other items:**

1. J. Carter reminded the Commission that the Through Street designation had been removed from Crosby Street at a previous meeting. All intersections now need an Ordinance for the stop sign control that exists due to the former designation. K. Lin pointed out that Ordinances do exist for some of the intersections. The limits are Longwood Street to Calvin Park Boulevard. It was decided that these intersections would be brought to the next meeting as one item.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM. Motion by D. Bissell, seconded by S. Capovilla.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

**September 9, 2020 6:00 PM.**

Rockford City Hall  
425 East State Street  
2nd floor, Conference Room A

Respectfully submitted,  
Kerry R. Lin, P.E.  
Recording Secretary