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## SCIT Committee Meeting

February 10, 2021

1. Approval of the minutes from January 13, 2021
2. 500 – 700 Block of W. Jewel. No Parking vs No Stop Signs
3. Additional Discussion Items



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### Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2021, 9AM

Present: Bill Bensing - Public Services Director, Chris Krueger - City Engineer, Brian Murphy - Police Chief, Gary Baldrige – Community Services Officer

Absent: Dan Andert – Traffic Division Supervisor

Meeting Called to order at 9:03 AM by Chris Krueger, City Engineer.

1. Approval of the minutes from December 9, 2020 – Motion to approve minutes by Bill Bensing, seconded by Gary Baldrige. All approved.
2. Request for Traffic Control Signage Form – Discussion was held regarding form. Form to be modified to add that the majority of affected residents need to sign the request for Traffic Control Signage Form. Also, the SCIT committee is not obligated to review a street issue, if it has not been more than 1 year, since the last time it has reviewed the same issue.
3. Wilson Avenue No Parking Request – Both Gary Baldrige and Dan Andert submitted reviews about this issue. Within the last two years, there was 1 call to the Police Department for vehicles parked on both sides of the street. The responding officer reported parked vehicles were not causing a hazard. An accident report search was also completed and found 2 accidents, but were not contributed by vehicles parked on both sides of Wilson. Both Baldrige and Andert drove Wilson the week of 1/4/2021 and found no issues regarding Parking on Wilson Avenue. Motion to deny the No Parking Request by Gary Baldrige, Seconded by Chief Murphy. All approved denial.
4. No Parking within 20' feet of Crosswalks – Discussion was held to determine if this should apply to all crosswalks within the City of Kirkwood or if this should apply to only certain crosswalks. It was recommended by the SCIT Committee that an ordinance be recommended to City Council to add a no parking restriction within 20' feet of any crosswalk in the City of Kirkwood. The ones that have issues with parking at the crosswalk can be signed at the discretion of the City Engineer/Public Services Director.
5. Additional Discussion Items – No Additional discussion items.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:40 AM.



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Ms. Karin Ochs  
226 Wilson Avenue  
Kirkwood, MO 63122


Dear Ms. Ochs:

I want to thank you for taking the time to express your concern about requesting a parking restriction on Wilson Avenue between Geyer Road and Harrison Avenue. The Street Code Issues Team Committee (SCIT) evaluated your request. This team is composed of the City Engineer, Community Services Officer and Traffic Division Supervisor, with team oversight by the Police Chief and the Public Services Director. The team evaluates suggestions such as yours very carefully and making recommendations as needed. If an ordinance is needed to install a traffic sign such as a no parking restriction or a stop sign, City Council would ultimately pass the ordinance. For guidance, the team refers to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). MUTCD is approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as the national standard in traffic control devices in 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 655, Subpart F.

At its January 13, 2021 meeting, the Committee did not find any safety or traffic related justification for the parking restriction on Wilson Avenue and the parking restriction will not be recommended. A search through police report records was completed and within the last two years there was one call to the Police Department for vehicles parked on both sides of the street. The responding officers reported parked vehicles, but however, it was not considered a hazard to thru traffic. An accident report search was also completed and found two accidents, but were found unrelated to vehicles parking on both sides of Wilson Avenue. I encourage you to call the police dispatcher at (314) 822-5858, if parked cars leave less than ten feet, which is the minimum lane width as defined in our traffic ordinance (section 14-326). A link to the City Code and this specific section can be found here:  
<https://www.ecode360.com/30704361>.

I appreciate your concern in these matters and if you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me at (314) 822-5820.

Thank you,



Chris Krueger, PE

City Engineer

Cc: Bill Bensing, Public Services Director  
Chief Brian Murphy, Police Chief  
Gary Baldrige, Community Services Officer  
Dan Andert, Traffic Division Supervisor