MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
6101 CAPULINA AVENUE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MORTON GROVE, ILLINOIS
January 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to Order
Pursuant to proper notice in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Keith White at 7:07pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance
Chairman White led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call
The following traffic commissioners were present:
Chairman Keith White
Commissioner Karen Berkowsky
Commissioner Ted Sievert
Commissioner Theresa Polyak
Commissioner Amit Shah
Commissioner Mike Dibra

The following traffic commissioners were absent:
Commissioner George Karagozian

Village staff members present:
Village Engineer Chris Tomich
Engineering Inspector Michael Gesualdo
Fire Inspector Rick Dobrowski

4. Approval of Minutes
The minutes from the December 5, 2019, regular meeting were presented. There being no changes or alterations, a motion to accept the minutes was made by Commissioner Sievert, motion seconded by Commissioner Polyak. The vote was called.

C. Berkowsky   abstain   C. Karagozian   absent   C. Shah   aye
C. Sievert     aye       C. Polyak     aye       C. Dibra   aye

The motion passed

STAFF REPORT
There is no formal staff report.

OLD BUSINESS
There is no old business to report.
NEW BUSINESS  

5. **Edison School Parking Temporary Experimental Regulation**

Village Engineer Chris Tomich gave an overview of the temporary experimental regulations. The purposes of the regulations were to help Edison School control ways the students get to the school. The school had tried to educate the parents on how to get to the site, however parents are taking their own routes which created a safety concern. The experimental regulations prevent turns onto Monroe, which stops westbound traffic. The regulations limit students from crossing north side of Monroe to the south side as well prevent vehicles from turning left into the new driveway.

Temporary regulations went in place on August 26, 2019. Fire, Police, Public Works Departments, the Village Administrator, and Principal of the school were involved in the study. Feedback from the public was received. Village staff recommends moving forward with making the temporary restrictions permanent. One resident offered feedback that there is reason for school bus parking restrictions on east side with the addition of the bus driveway. Village staff does not see an issue with removing parking restrictions.

Principal Andy Carpenter spoke on behalf of Edison School. He gave his full support of moving forward with making the temporary restrictions permanent. He believes they are working very well and increase safety near the site. He supports removing parking restrictions on Reba and Central; the busses can fit on the new driveway, so the parking restrictions are no longer needed to accommodate busses. He would like restrictions to remain on part of Central during pick up and drop off times: 7:30-8:30AM and 2:00-4:30PM. Parking restrictions for afternoon pick-up times are extended because of after school programs. He expects those times to change in 2021-2022 as the school hours may change.

No additional comments from Police and Fire Departments on the matter.

Commissioner Berkowsky motioned to make the temporary regulations permanent, to eliminate parking restrictions on Reba and part of Central, and to add time restrictions for remaining parking restrictions on Central Avenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shah and unanimously approved.

6. **Beckwith at Sayre Yield Control to 2-Way Stop Control**

The Village is the applicant for changing the existing 2-way yield signs on northbound and southbound Sayre Avenue to two-way stop control. The inquiry was done at the request of a resident. The two-way yield signs for northbound and southbound Sayre Avenue do not match the pattern of stop signs on all other four-way intersections on Beckwith Road. The Village does not want to stop traffic on Beckwith Road.

Village staff does not have a strong opinion with regards to the effect or impact of yield signs compared to stop signs at this location and supports the change.

Commissioner Sievert motioned to accept staff recommendations to change two-way yield signs to two-way stop signs at Sayre Avenue and Beckwith Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dibra and
unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS/COMMENTS
There is no other business or comments to report.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Sievert moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shah and unanimously approved via a general voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Gesualdo

Approved by the Commission at a meeting held on March 5, 2020.