



WILDWOOD

**Virtual Meeting of the
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Thursday, July 7, 2022
6:30 PM**

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1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (April 7, 2022, Meeting)

Documents:

[DRAFT BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY MINUTES APRIL 7, 2022.PDF](#)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
4. FOR INFORMATION
 - 4.I. No Items
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - 5.I. No Items
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - 6.I. Proposed Modification To Animal Regulations

Documents:

[CO VS WILDWOOD CODE.PDF](#)

- 6.II. Discussion Regarding School Safety

6.III. Taylor Road Speeding Traffic Concerns

Documents:

[SPEEDING TRAFFIC CONCERNS ON TAYLOR ROAD.PDF](#)

7. NOT READY FOR ACTION

7.I. No Items

8. OTHER

8.I. No Items

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Public Safety Will Consider and Act upon the Matters Listed above and Such Others as May Be Presented at the Meeting and Determined to Be Appropriate for Discussion at That Time.

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**Meeting Minutes of the
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

April 7, 2022

6:30 pm

Via Zoom

16860 Main Street

DRAFT

Committee Members in Attendance:

Marshal Jeff Bader
Board Member Chris Preston
Board Member Vince Loyal
Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino

Also Present:

Rick Brown, Director of Public Works
Steve Cross, City Administrator
Police Liaison Captain James Mundel, St. Louis County Police
John Bradley, Assistant Chief of the Metro Fire District

Absent:

Board Member Jeff Baker

I. ROLL CALL

A roll call was taken at 6:30 pm, with the above noted as present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Vince Loyal made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on December 2, 2021. Chris Preston seconded the motion. All Board Members voted in favor and the minutes were approved.
- B. Vince Loyal made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2022 meeting. Chris Preston seconded the motion. None were opposed and the motion carried to approve the minutes.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. No items

IV. FOR INFORMATION

A. Update on Old State Road at Ridge Road Crosswalk and Restriping

1. Rick Brown explained that this crosswalk has been upgraded to a rapid flashing beacon that should be operational very soon.
2. St Louis County recommended restriping the Ridge Rd approach to Old State Rd, and they

also poured a concrete island to channelize the right and left turning traffic. This has been completed.

B. Safety issues at Old State Road and Lakeshore Meadows Drive

1. Rick Brown explained that residents of Fairhaven subdivision have difficulty crossing Old State Rd. and complain of limited sight distance with oncoming traffic.
2. St. Louis County recommended a raised channelized island on Lakeshore Meadows Dr. to separate the two directions of turning traffic from and to Old State Rd. The size of the island would have to be large enough to channelize cars, but small enough to allow work trucks through. The HOA did not want to move forward with the island. The Department of Public Works will have a follow up meeting with St. Louis County to discuss other options.
3. Options and accident histories at this intersection were discussed and no action was taken.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. No items

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Purchase of a Portable Changeable Message Sign

1. Rick Brown explained the need for a new portable changeable message sign, as the City's old signs are outdated.
2. The Board discussed that Prop P funds could be used to purchase the message sign, and its potential uses.
3. Vince Loyal made a motion to recommend the purchase of the message sign and that it should be used within allowable City ordinances. Chris Preston seconded the motion and all members voted in favor, none were opposed, and the motion carried.

B. Proposed Agreement with Metro West Fire District for Traffic Signal Preemption System

1. Rick Brown explained that Metro West Fire District is proposing to use priority control systems on the signals described in the Memo. The priority control system picks up a GPS signal of an emergency vehicle, so that it breaks the cycle of lights to allow a green light for the emergency to pass through. The request is for the City to enter an agreement with Metro West.
2. John Bradley, Assistant Fire Chief with the Metro Fire District explained that the system has been in place for quite some time, and they have worked with MODOT and St Louis County on these systems, and these are the last three lights in town center that are left. He explained that its safer for everyone, as most cars are sound proofed now.
3. Vince Loyal voiced his support for these systems and recommended that the Board support this program and that it be expedited. He made the motion that the Board approve the implementation of these systems for Metro West. Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino seconded the motion. All members voted Aye and the motion passed.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Format of Future Meetings**

1. City Administrator Steve Cross gave the Board the opportunity to discuss the format of future meetings. He stated that currently, all Boards, Committees, and Commissions, are meeting on Zoom. The current options are to meet on Zoom, in person, or a “hybrid” of both, in the Council Chambers (which requires an extra city staff person). If the meeting is “hybrid”, the chair of that meeting needs to be present in the Council Chamber. Steve Cross mentioned that the format can vary from meeting to meeting. The topic was discussed, and all Board Members stated that they are comfortable with Zoom or a “hybrid” style of meeting. It was agreed that the Zoom format would be preferable unless there was an issue that might draw a large number of people, in which case the hybrid model might be more suitable.
2. Vince Loyal congratulated Metro West for garnering support in passing their recent bond issue.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Vince Loyal put forth a motion to adjourn and Chris Preston seconded the motion. All members voted aye, and the meeting adjourned at 7: 22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Scherer
Administrative Assistant for Public Works

(ST. LOUIS COUNTY)

611.200 - Dogs, Cats and Other Animals at Large—Prohibited—Exceptions

—1. Every person responsible for a dog, cat or other animal shall keep it from being at large as defined in subsection 2 of this section.

2.a. A dog, puppy, cat, or kitten is at large when it is outside a cage or building from which it cannot escape unless:

i. It is attached to a leash held by a person that is capable of and is in fact controlling the dog, puppy, cat, or kitten in question.

ii. It is within a vehicle from which the animal cannot escape while the vehicle is being driven, parked or stopped.

iii. It is on the real property of a person responsible for it.

Section 205.040 Definition — At Large. (WILDWOOD)

[R.O. 1997 § 205.040; Ord. No. 140 § 4, 9-1-1995]

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2.

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3.

It is not more than fifty (50) feet from a person to whose commands the dog or puppy is obedient if such dog or puppy is not annoying any human or domestic animal, or trespassing on private property, or in public areas where dogs or puppies are forbidden.

4.

It is on the real property of a person responsible for it.



MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Public Safety

From: Rick Brown, Director of Public Works / City Engineer

Date: July 6, 2022

Re: Speeding Traffic Concerns on Taylor Road

Recently, the Department of Public Works was notified that the resident at 2322 Taylor Road has concerns with traffic speeds on Taylor Road. The resident lives adjacent to Sandalwood Creek Drive. The location of Taylor Road and the residence is shown below (please see **Exhibit A**).

Taylor Road serves as a collector road, with a primary purpose to provide access to Route 100 and Manchester Road on the south and to Route 109 on the north. The posted speed limit for Taylor Road is 25 mph. Near the resident's home, Taylor Road is narrow in width (about 18') and unimproved; however, a sidewalk is located along east side of the road. The section of Taylor Road to the south was improved and extended to Route 100 with the more recent construction of the Villages at Bright Leaf subdivision. There is a sidewalk along the east/north side of the road, as well as lighting and curb and gutter. The Wildwood Greenway path runs adjacent to the road to the south. It should be noted that the resident in question is the only resident with direct frontage onto Taylor Road.

Speed Limit

As mentioned, the posted speed limit for this section of Taylor Road is 25 mph. When Taylor Road to the south/east of Sandalwood Creek Drive was improved and extended with the construction of the Villages at Bright Leaf subdivision, 25 mph speed limit signs were installed to match signs that were previously in place. A formal speed limit study has never been completed to evaluate and recommend a speed limit using traffic engineering methodologies. Given Taylor Road's primary use as a collector road, the Department believes a 30-mph speed limit could be justified for the recently improved section through the Villages at Bright Leaf.

Traffic Volume

The average weekday traffic on Taylor Road is about 1,070 vehicles per day, which is a light traffic volume for a collector road. A weekday traffic volume of 1,000 vehicles per day could be considered a maximum desirable traffic volume for a residential street. We have many residential streets with average weekday traffic exceeding 1,070 vehicles per day.

Traffic Enforcement

The Wildwood Precinct is aware of the resident's concerns regarding traffic speeds in the vicinity of his home. As a result, the Wildwood Precinct traffic officers have completed enforcement activities and speed surveys on Taylor Road. The table below summarizes two recent speed surveys of existing traffic on Taylor Road. The Wildwood Precinct obtain traffic speeds using a portable radar unit, which is typically pole mounted, and records for a period of seven (7) days.

Location	Date	Date	50 th	85 th
			Percentile Speed (mph)	Percentile Speed (mph)
Taylor at 2322 Taylor Road	8/25/2021	9/1/2021	29	33
Taylor at Rising Sun Road	10/7/2020	10/14/2020	29	34

85th Percentile Speed

As has been discussed previously at Board meetings, the 85th percentile speed is the speed at which 85% of traffic is traveling at or slower. Traffic engineers typically use the 85th percentile speed as a key measure to establish speed limits. They would typically set an appropriate speed limit at just below the 85th percentile speed, absent an adverse crash record. In the City of Wildwood, on collector streets, the 85th percentile speed is typically in the range of 30-40 mph.

Recommendation

In addition to continued enforcement of traffic speeds by the Wildwood Precinct, to help provide greater conspicuity to the existing speed limit, the following is recommended for implementation by the Department:

Keep Kids Alive – Drive 25 Speed Zone (KKAD25) Special Enforcement Areas – Implementation of these special enforcement areas is established by city code and allows a unique speed limit sign to be installed (see below). KKAD25 enforcement areas allow that upon a conviction or a plea of guilty to a moving violation, the violator shall be a fined at least double. The city’s policy has been to require that KKAD25 enforcement areas be located adjacent to public parks or schools, where children may be present. In reviewing this concern, enactment of the KKAD25 enforcement area would seem appropriate due to the proximity of the Wildwood Greenway shared use path, which runs to the south between Route 100 and Taylor Road. We have three connections to the path from the Villages at Bright Leaf subdivision with crosswalks over Taylor Road. While no schools are present, we do have the Wildwood Greenway path in close proximity, and thus, the Department is recommending the implementation of a KKAD25 enforcement area on Taylor Road between Route 109 and Route 100.



If the Board passes a motion in support of this recommendation, the Department will develop the necessary legislation for implementation of the KKAD25 enforcement area, which will be submitted to the City Council for approval.

Captain Mundel and I will be available for questions or comments on this matter at the July 7th, 2022, Board of Public Safety meeting.

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Exhibit A – Taylor Road

