



City of Kingston Public Safety/General Government Committee
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, July 22, 2020
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Public Safety/General Government Committee Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: July 22, 2020

Submitted by: Dee Sills

Submitting Department: Engineering

Item Type: Proposed Resolution

Agenda Section:

Subject:

Wilbur Ave. at Dunn St. Signage

Suggested Action:

Attachments:

[20200714111925.pdf](#)

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John M. Schultheis, P.E., City Engineer



Steven T. Noble, Mayor

July 2, 2020

Andrea Shaut., Alderman-At-Large, President of the Common Council
Kingston City Hall
420 Broadway
Kingston, New York 12401

RE: Wilbur Avenue at Dunn Street

Dear President Shaut:

At the request of Alderman Tallerman, I evaluated this location for removal of the STOP sign for southbound traffic at this location.

The Alderman's request is to eliminate the STOP sign for vehicles that are southbound on Wilbur at Dunn. This is a non-standard intersection with multiple streets coming together at one point (Dunn, Davis, Wilbur and Rodney). My recommendation is as follows:

Revise the Code Chapter 390 Vehicles and Traffic as follows:

Remove from 390-92 Schedule IX: Stop intersections:

- Wilbur at Dunn Southbound

Add to 390-92 Schedule IX: Stop intersections:

- Dunn at Abeel (note, sign is installed but not in the Code.)
- Davis at Wilbur (note, sign is installed but not in the Code.)
- Rodney at Dunn
- Wilbur northbound at Davis

Please forward this request for consideration at Public Safety / General Government.

I plan to attend the meeting of the committee so that I may answer any questions that arise.

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Submitted by: Dee Sills

Submitting Department: Engineering

Item Type: Proposed Resolution

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Subject:

Removal of 11 Traffic Signals, Various locations

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Steven T. Noble, Mayor

June 30, 2020

Andrea Shaut., Alderman-At-Large, President of the Common Council
Kingston City Hall
420 Broadway
Kingston, New York 12401

RE: Removal of 11 Traffic Signals, various locations

Dear President Shaut:

A project has been underway since 2018 to study traffic signals at the following locations:

1. Washington Avenue at Linderman Avenue
2. Washington Avenue at Pearl Street
3. Washington Avenue at Main Street
4. Wall Street at Pearl Street
5. Fair Street at Pearl Street
6. Clinton Avenue at St. James Street
7. Clinton Avenue at Franklin Street
8. Clinton Avenue at Henry Street
9. Fair Street at St. James Street
10. Foxhall Avenue at Grand Street and Shufeldt Street
11. East Chester Street at Lincoln Street

Based on the conclusions of the engineering report prepared by Creighton Manning, dated March 31, 2020, the signals at these 11 locations do not meet the warrants for signalization and the signals can be removed and replaced with all-way stop conditions in each case. A copy of the report is available in my office and on the website of the Ulster County Transportation Council at the following link:
<https://ulstercountyny.gov/transportation-council/active-studies/kingston-traffic-signal>

It is my recommendation that this signal removal be implemented as per the recommendations of the report. Doing so will have many benefits to the City and the general public, especially given the age of the signal equipment and difficulty in maintaining these signals with obsolete analog controls. Further, they do not offer the ability to incorporate modern signal features such as pedestrian push buttons and features that would be required in modern signals such as multiple signal heads in each direction. Unwarranted signals also have the undesirable effect of decreasing the public's respect for traffic control devices generally.

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Therefore, my request is that the Common Council amend the Code as follows:

Amend 390-84 Schedule I: Traffic Signals to delete the 11 intersections listed above, and
Amend 390-92 Schedule IX: Stop Intersections to add the 11 intersections listed above as All-way Stop intersections

Please forward this request for consideration at Public Safety / General Government.

I plan to attend the meeting of the committee so that I may answer any questions that arise.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. Schultheis", written over a light blue horizontal line.

John M. Schultheis, P.E.
City Engineer

Cc: Steve Noble, Mayor
Ed Norman, Superintendent, Department of Public Works

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Submitting Department: Common Council

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Remove "Traffic Calming Stop Signs" S. Wall & Brook St.

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John M. Schultheis, P.E City Engineer
Edward Norman, Public Works Superintendent



Steven T. Noble, Mayor

REQUEST FOR EVALUATION
TRAFFIC CONTROL OR PARKING CONTROL

Date: 6/12/2020

Location: S. Wall St Cross Street: Brook St

Ward: 5 Alderman: Tallerman

Request Submitted by: Name: Tallerman
Address/Phone: 917-318-7400
Email: _____

Describe Concern: (Attach additional sheet if necessary) Remove "traffic calming"
Stop signs

Check All That Apply

Signalized Intersection	Yes: ☐	No: ☐
Crosswalk	Yes: ☐	No: ☐
Traffic Control or Signal Marking	Add: ☐	Remove: ☒
Parking Controls	Add: ☐	Remove: ☐

Other Describe: Remove 2 traffic calming
stop signs at intersection

Describe attachments to this document: _____

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Reviewed	City Engineer	Approved: ☐	Denied: ☒	N/A: ☐
	Public Works	Approved: ☐	Denied: ☐	N/A: ☐
	Other	Approved: ☐	Denied: ☐	N/A: ☐

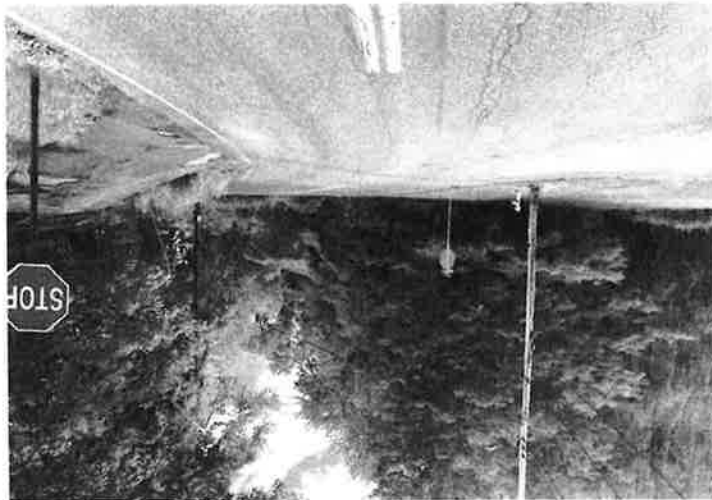
Recommendations: Change not recommended due to limited
sight distance for NW Bound Traffic.
John Schultheis, City Engineer. 7/2/2020

Remove “traffic calming” stop signs
- S. Wall Street & Brook Street



Southbound





Northbound

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Parking at 97 St. James St.

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Tinti, Elisa

From: Worthington, Rita
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 12:39 PM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Cc: Shaut, Andrea; Davis, Tony
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] Parking @ 97 Saint James

Hi Elisa:

Please forward the following correspondence to Public Safety to be attached to request previously submitted.

Thank you.
Rita Worthington
Ward 4

From: Julian | Seek North <julian@seeknorth.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:38 AM
To: Worthington, Rita
Cc: Philippe Trinh
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] Parking @ 97 Saint James

Good morning Rita,

Thank you for taking the time to take my call last week. As I mentioned, my partner and I own a kombucha company, Seek North Kombucha (Website url: www.seeknorth.com), and our office is at 97 Saint James Street. The home is owned by our LLC.

Since we have merchandise stored at our office, we're constantly delivering product and if our parking space is not available in front of home/office, then it becomes a very labor-intensive job of carrying numerous boxes to/from the next nearby parking space.

Seek North also has many client meetings, employee meetings etc and not having convenient parking in front of our house/office makes can make it troublesome for our clients and to keep our schedules and meetings on time.

We're asking if we could secure the two parking spots in front of our home, reserved for business use. There are only two spots (from the corner to the driveway of the next home). These 2 spots could be used as both a loading zone and for customer parking. Our business hours and delivery times vary so if it can be open-ended that would be great (we deliver mon, tues, wed, thurs, fri, sat and Sunday) as well we have meetings throughout the week (7 days a week).

Let me know if you have any questions or how we can proceed with the above. You had mentioned a city planning call we might be able to join or video conference into. Keep me posted. Thanks in advance for your help.

Thanks,

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Submitting Department: Common Council

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