

Town of Superior
Transportation & Safety Committee (T&SC)
Meeting Notes
March 19, 2018

Members of the Committee in attendance: Mark Lacis, Chris Hanson, Kevin Ryan

Others in Attendance: Alex Ariniello, Staff; several residents and a manager of Bank of The West.

Agenda Items:

1. Discussion of 4th Avenue & Sycamore Street Turn Restriction:
 - a. Staff presented a summary of traffic counts on Coal Creek Drive and on 4th Avenue and turning movement counts at 4th & Sycamore. The trustees discussed whether the treatments were effective and what the counts would have been without the treatments. An option was presented for reconfiguring the lanes with a median island to enforce the right turn only movement from northbound 4th Avenue at Sycamore Street.
 - b. During public comment Richard Kupfner commented on the loading dock at Petco and the prevalence of right-in-right-out intersections in Original Town. Amanda Morris from Bank of The West noted that any decrease in business to the bank puts the building at risk of being converted to a call center which would be a loss of revenue for the Town. George Kupfner commented on the width of snow plow blades. They are 12 foot blades and would barely get by a median. An 8 foot blade could be attached to a pickup truck. David Harper noted that the differences in traffic count between pre and post delineator were negligible. Phil Kupfner commented on the extra fuel burned by shoppers to access Marketplace from Original Town and the increase in traffic by Founder's Park as a result of the right turn only restriction. He noted that an increase in traffic can be seen everywhere in the Denver Metro and it is part of living in a desirable place. Marina Rudolph commented on speeds on westbound Coal Creek Drive. Laurel Russell noted that restricting access to the Marketplace could affect its occupancy rate. Trustees Lacis, Ryan, and Hanson gave direction to remove the delineators and don't pursue a permanent solution but retain the Marketplace directional signs on McCaslin Boulevard.

2. Castle Peak Speed Humps Update
 - a. Staff presented two locations for temporary speed hump installation on Castle Peak Avenue and discussed timing for installation. Staff expressed concern that the speed humps could damage snow plows due to a lip on the speed hump. Ryan requested before-and-after traffic counts on Torrey's Peak Drive and Castle Peak Avenue since traffic may get pushed to Torrey's Peak Drive. George Kupfner commented on how to prevent the plows from damaging the speed humps. John Barr asked about the purpose of the speed humps and whether low clearance vehicles can make it over the humps and commented that the speed humps will push traffic to Torreys Peak.

3. 2017 Crash Data

- a. Staff presented data on traffic accidents within Town limits in 2017. It was pointed out that several miles of State Highway 128 are within Town limits and are included in the accident counts. Overall in 2017 the amount of accidents increased by a small margin and staff will look at modifications at some select sites.

4. Other Items

- a. Staff presented a parking analysis for Downtown Superior. The Committee requested a future dialogue on reducing the minimum speed limit in town to 20 mph.

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