



TRAFFIC COMMISSION, VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, IL 60712

Regular Meeting
Village Hall Council Chambers
Thursday, April 22, 2021, 7:00 PM

MEETING AVAILABLE LIVE AT
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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Report by Chair Scott Troiani
5. Approval of Minutes
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
 - a. Devon Avenue Median at Ridgeway
8. Public Forum

Statement Regarding Public Comment

Anyone who desires to offer public comment during the meeting about any matter concerning the Traffic Commission may do so by submitting an email to traypole@lwd.org prior to the commencement of the meeting, or by offering live oral comments at the stated time in the meeting agenda. To offer live comments, commenters must email traypole@lwd.org to receive the GoToMeeting credentials for the meeting to participate electronically. All Emails received will be read aloud during the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Emails should be kept to under 200 words to allow time for others to be heard and for the Traffic Commission to progress through the public meeting agenda. The Traffic Commission typically does not immediately respond to public comments or engage in open dialogue, but the Traffic Commission is actively listening to all comments.

9. Report by Staff

10. Good of the Order

11. Adjournment

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DRAFT Regular Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2020

Village Hall Council Chambers

6900 North Lincoln Avenue

Lincolnwood, IL 60712

1. Call to Order

Chairman Troiani called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Chairman Troiani made a statement identifying that in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the Traffic Commission would conduct its meeting without a quorum physically present, but instead via GoToMeeting.

2. Pledge to the Flag

Chairman Troiani led the Pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll-call

Present: Chairman Scott Troiani, Commissioners Antonio Costantino, Tony Jin, Lidia Zaia-Kaihara, Mark Bonner, John Ernst, and Raimond Pavely

Trustee Liaison Present: Craig Klatzco

Staff Liaison Present: Jason Parrott, Police Chief

Staff Liaison Virtually Present: Andrew Letson, Director of Public Works

Absent: None

4. Report by Chair

Reminder for Commissioners to complete anti-harassment training by December 23, 2020 and wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

5. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bonner moved to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2020 Traffic Commission meeting as presented. Commissioner Jin seconded. Via a roll call vote, the motion was approved 7-0.

6. Unfinished Business

None

7. New Business

a. Abandoned / Derelict Vehicles

Presentation at direction of the Committee of the Whole by Chief Parrott. Chief Parrott discussed abandoned vehicles and “eyesore” vehicles. Such vehicles are described in the Village Code, the Illinois Municipal Code and the Illinois Vehicle Code.

Chief Parrott noted that the threshold to remove such vehicles is after (7) days if the vehicle is not moved and inoperable. Concerns of vehicles parked for extended periods of times and issues with such vehicles. Examples are vehicles leaking fluids, odors, rust, missing parts, hazardous vehicles, no registration or expired registration.

Chief Parrott explained what other communities are doing. Changing the definition of abandoned vehicles. Vehicles not moved for (7) days in and of itself is abandoned, no valid registration or expired registration after (48) hours. These vehicles are then subject to tow. Exceptions can be given by the police department for visitors of residents, or residents who need to park in excess of (7) days on the street without movement i.e., being out of town.

Some suburbs do not allow overnight parking on the street without permission from the Village. Lincolnwood’s footprint does not allow for this due to homes without driveways or garages. No complaints exist for overnight parking on residential streets due to resident parking. It was not recommended to charge increased fees for households with more than two vehicles or antique vehicles.

Discussion on the ability to make abandoned vehicles a nuisance that can be abated.

Recommendations by staff is prevent abandoned or derelict vehicles from remaining on the public way. Implement a change to the definition of abandoned vehicles to include non-movement of the vehicle after (7) days, no valid state vehicle registration or expired registration after (48) hours. Include in the definition of abandoned vehicles if a vehicle emits a foul odor or if the passenger compartment is obstructed to where the vehicle cannot be moved safely. This is when a vehicle is being used for storage.

Commissioner Jin asked a question on towing costs for abandoned vehicles and responsibility for the current or last registered owner.

Commissioner Pavely inquired about notifications of abandoned vehicles located and how it is done for residents and non-residents.

Commissioner Ernst asked about visitors from out town visiting and how to ensure the vehicle would not be considered as abandoned. Chief Parrott advised that the police department would be notified by the resident requesting that no action be taken against the vehicle.

Commissioner Kaihara asked about if a vehicle was parked in front of a residence and if the police would contact the complainant. Chief Parrott informed Commissioner that all complainants are contacted if they wish to speak with police.

Commissioner Bonner made a motion for the abandoned vehicle definition to be changed to (7) days without movement or (2) days without valid registration and police authority to remove the vehicle. Seconded by Commissioner Pavely and roll call vote was unanimous for passage.

Chief Parrott asked the Commission on clarification on adding to the definition of an abandoned vehicle regarding the passenger compartment being used for storage and would inhibit the safe movement of the vehicle.

Commissioner Costantino brought up about making an abandoned vehicle a nuisance via the group chat and expressed verbally by Trustee Liaison Klatzco.

Amended motion from Commissioner Bonner made a motion to support if a vehicle is abandoned it would be a nuisance. Seconded by Commissioner Pavely. A roll call vote as unanimous in support of the motion.

8. Public Forum

None

9. Report by Staff

Director of Public Works Letson noted this was his last meeting as he is moving on to a new position as a County Administrator for Meeker County, Minnesota. Director Letson thanked the Commission for their support. (This was presented ahead of new business).

Chief Parrott announced there would be an overweight truck enforcement inspection in coordination with IDOT and the Illinois State Police coming up next week.

Speed / traffic enforcement campaigns will continue through the holidays with IDOT grant funding for seatbelts and DUI's.

10. Good of the Order

Commissioner Ernst asked about vehicles parked on the front lawn of resident. Chief Parrott advised that this a code violation and would be assigned to the Code Enforcement Officer. Commissioner Ernst complimented police on enforcement efforts and visibility along Cicero Ave.

11. Adjournment

Commissioner Bonner moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Commissioner Jin seconded. The motion was approved unanimously via a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Parrott
Chief of Police

Traffic Commission – Presentation

April 22, 2021

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE DEVON AVENUE MEDIAN
AT RIDGEWAY AVENUE

Purpose of Discussion

- The Village received a request to examine roadway geometry at Devon and Ridgeway
- The presence of a raised median without a turn lane causes traffic backup along Devon
- The length of the median causes a turning hazard for truck traffic into the Devon Lincoln TIF District



S/B Ridgeway at Devon Ave.



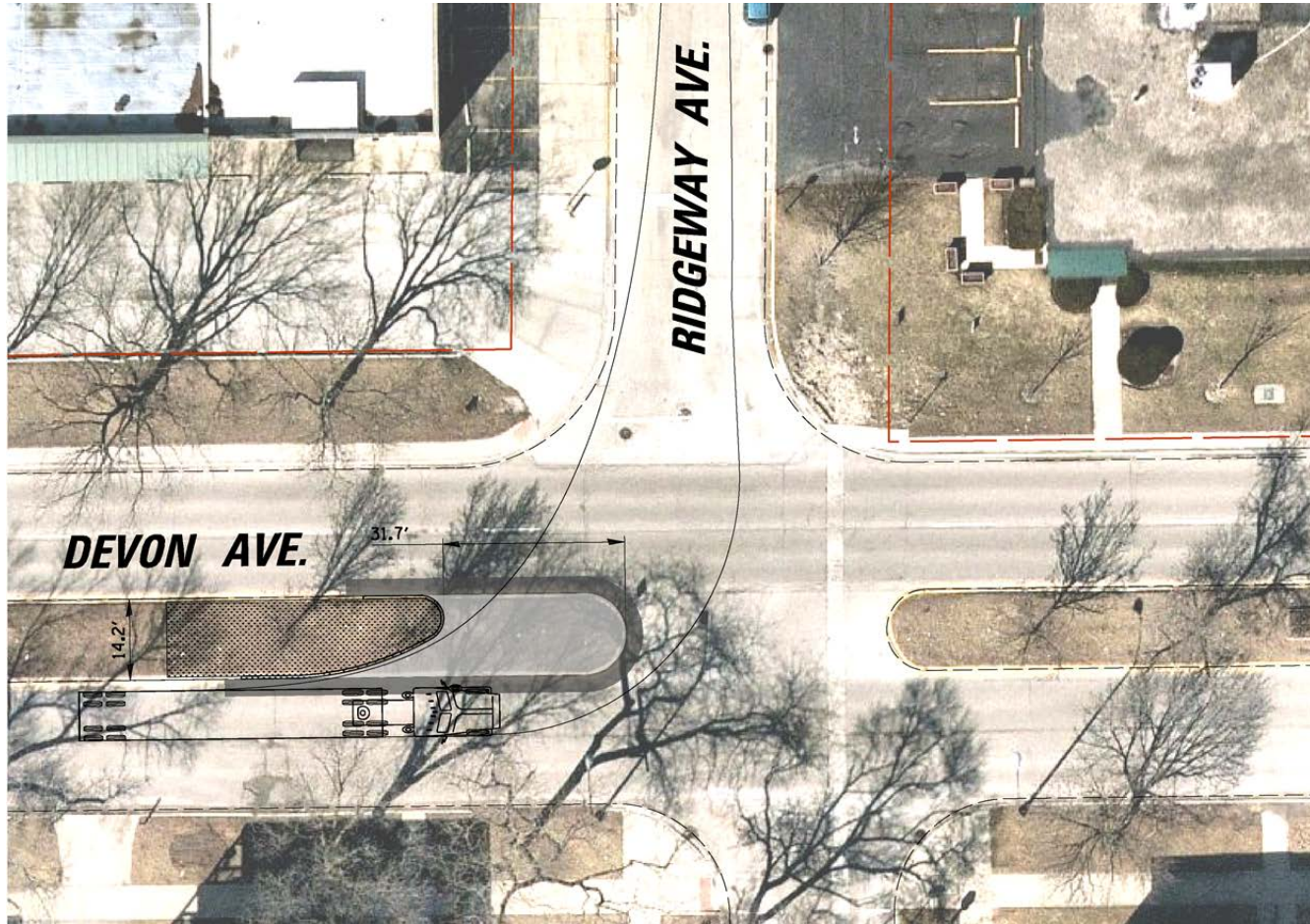
Proposed Geometry

- Median separation and alignment is too tight for turning movements onto Ridgeway
- Geometry should be modified to accommodate truck traffic
- Design vehicle is WB-67, large freight

EXHIBIT 1 – Reduced Median



EXHIBIT 2 – Modified Median



Construction Costs

Alternative	Construction	Design Engineering	Construction Engineering	TOTAL
ALT 1	\$57,000	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$68,400
ALT 2	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$60,000

Devon Schedule

- MWRD Sludge Line Construction
(Cicero to McCormick)
 - Fall 2021
- IDOT Devon Avenue Resurfacing
(Springfield to Lincoln)
 - Summer 2022
- Devon Avenue Streetscape
(Lincoln to McCormick)
 - Spring 2023 to Summer 2024

Permitting

■ IDOT

- Will require preliminary and formal permit from IDOT
- May request IDOT to perform work

■ CDOT

- Median is owned by IDOT, but managed by CDOT
- Will require approval and coordination with the city of Chicago

Staff Recommendations

- Pursue Modified Median, or both options to primarily address turning issues
- Request IDOT include the change in their planned resurfacing
- Coordinate with CDOT on proposed changes
- Revisit with Board if funding is needed

DISCUSSION

- Questions of Staff ?
- Recommendations to the Village Board by the Traffic Commission?