

**Mitchell Traffic Commission
September 17th, 2018
City Council Chambers**

6:00 p.m. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Approve Agenda

1. Request For Speed Limit Change From Rowley Street To Spruce Street

Justin & Janelle Thiesse own an 8-plex at 1705 South Rowley and request the speed limit be changed on Rowley Street to 25 mph all the way to Spruce Street. Traffic is exceeding 35-45 mph in the 25 mph zone and they are unable to turn out of the complex. (see attached request).

Documents:

[JUSTIN AND JANELLE THIESSE SPEED LIMIT CHANGE REQUEST ROWLEY AND SPRUCE.PDF](#)

2. Request To Change Current One Way Street Configuration

Dan Beukelman requests to change 2nd, 3rd and 4th streets from the current configuration (two-way one block off of Main, then one-way after that) to be two-way streets from Lawler to Minnesota Street. With the upcoming construction coming on North Sanborn, 2nd, 3rd and 4th we will have to change the blocks east and west of Sanborn to be two-way during the construction time anyway, or many people won't be able to drive to their homes. (see attached proposal on one-way streets in Mitchell for detailed request information.)

Documents:

[DAN BEUKELMAN PROPOSAL ON ONE WAY STREETS.PDF](#)

3. Request From DWU For Consideration Of Adding New Crosswalk

Kevin Adams from the DWU Physical Plant requests consideration of adding a crosswalk from Koka Hall across to Dakota Hall. DWU would also like curbs painted yellow in all five locations on the west side of Dakota Hall. The middle three curbs on the attached drawing would be all painted and the end two curbs would be painted six feet out (see attached request and drawing.)

Documents:

[DWU REQUEST FOR NEW CROSSWALK.PDF](#)

[DWU NEW CROSSWALK MAP.PDF](#)

The next Traffic Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 15th, 2018. The time will be announced at a later date.

Committee meeting agendas are scheduled based on an estimated time of completion. If a meeting concludes prior to its scheduled time the next committee may start its proceedings early.

The City of Mitchell invites all parties to give oral or written comments. If special accommodations are required, please notify the Public Safety Department at 995-8400 at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Chairman

Lyndon Overweg

Committee Members

Jeff Smith, Dan Allen, Steve Rice and Kevin McCardle

Cindy Titze

From: Lyndon Overweg
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 6:02 PM
To: Cindy Titze
Subject: Fwd: 1705 South Rowley

Add to traffic commission agenda.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Janelle Thiesse <janelle.thiesse@icloud.com>
Date: August 20, 2018 at 3:07:17 PM CDT
To: lyndon@mitchelldps.com
Cc: Justin Thiesse <justin@thiesse.net>
Subject: 1705 South Rowley

Lyndon,

We own an 8-plex at 1705 South Rowley in Mitchell. We would like to request the speed limit be changed on Rowley Street to 25 mph all the way to Spruce Street. Traffic is exceeding 35-45 mph in the 25 mph zone and we are unable to turn out of my complex. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you.
Janelle

Justin & Janelle Thiesse
JTZ Properties, LLC
janelle.thiesse@icloud.com

Proposal on One ways streets in Mitchell.

I propose we look at changing 2nd, 3rd, and 4th street from the current configuration (2 way 1 block off of main, then 1 way after that) to be 2 way streets from Lawler to Minnesota Street. With the upcoming construction coming on N Sanborn, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th we will have to change the blocks east and west of Sanborn to be 2 way during the construction time anyway, or many people won't be able to drive to their houses.

If we don't make a broader change, the street will be as follows between Lawler and Sanborn.

2nd, going west from Lawler would be 2 way (for 2 blocks) then 1 way for 1 block, then 2 way (during construction) for one block.

3rd St Going west from Lawler would be 2 way for 1 block, closed for one block, then 1 way for 1 block, then 2 way for one block.

4th going west from Lawler would be 2 way for 2 blocks, then 1 way for one block, then 2 way (during construction) for one block.

It doesn't make sense to switch the blocks adjacent to Sanborn to be 2 way, then after construction to try to train people to go back to the current way of doing things.

In addition, the extra traffic that will be pushed off of Sanborn during construction needs as many routes as possible to spread out the volume, the addition of these streets as 2 ways will open up more options.

There have been no reported issues with the 2 way streets adjacent to Main. There is still a large problem with people driving the wrong way on the streets that are one way, especially turning off of Minnesota and Sanborn Street. I witness 2-3 a month myself and I am not at home for most of my days.

It may be worth considering, on a trial basis, to expand 2nd street as a 2 way all the way, from Burr to MN, at least during the time of the construction, to see if there are any issues. If we are going to try extending the 2 way, either 2nd or 4th makes the most sense since 3rd is closed anyway.

Thanks for your consideration.

Dan Beukelman
209 N Duff St
Mitchell, SD 57301
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Dakota Wesleyan University- Dakota Hall

To whom it may concern:

Please consider adding a crosswalk from Koka Hall across to Dakota Hall. Also we would like curbs painted yellow in 5 locations on the west side of Dakota Hall. The middle three curbs on the attached drawing would be all painted and the end 2 curbs would be painted 6 feet out.

Thank you-

Kevin Adams

DWU Physical Plant

