

DRAFT MINUTES

Advisory Traffic and Safety Board Regular Meeting February 12, 2008

NEW BUSINESS

2008-0056

PK-97.1 – “No Parking” within the right-of-way on both sides of Marketplace Circle

Mr. Shumejko advised the Board that there was a map attached associated with this signage request. The request was for parking restrictions along Marketplace Circle in section 30. He then read the Staff Report. “Marketplace Circle is a 36” wide paved looped road from Adams Road (westerly approach) to Adams Road (easterly approach), approximately 2,900’ in length. In December of 2007, the City of Rochester Hills accepted this road as public. Marketplace Circle services commercial-type use, i.e. Wal-Mart, Panera, Chili’s, etc., and has been striped with a dedicated center left-turn lane.

During the City’s next ACT 51 submittal to the Michigan department of Transportation (MDOT) later this year, Marketplace Circle will be submitted for City major road classification since it functions as a collector road and serves the network of commercial developments. In order to meet MDOT requirements for the classification as major road status, MDOT requires “No Parking” restrictions be placed on both sides of a road. The ACT 51 classification of Marketplace Circle as a City Major Road translates into additional monies provided through the State Gas Tax towards its operations and maintenance.

We request that the Advisory Traffic and Safety Board support having the TCO No. PK-97 issued, and recommends that the City Council approve the TCO until rescinded or superseded.”

Chairperson Colling said he had no problem with this, and felt no one should be parking along there anyway. That particular roadway is definitely the fire and emergency vehicle access to all those buildings and businesses, and he would support making this parking restriction permanent.

Mr. Cardimen asked if the City had any reason they wouldn’t want to do this, or if there were any problems with the businesses along the road that would preclude us from doing it. He felt it seemed so obvious to do it that he wondered if there were any other issues.

Mr. Shumejko said they didn’t foresee any problems. Because it is a new development the available parking provided for this site is more than adequate, and it meets all ordinance requirements. We have had situations in the past where a business or the use of a business was retrofitted on an existing road, which created problems because there is

not the parking capacity for the use resulting in overflow parking. In this case because the parking provided is adequate, this is more of a formality.

Chairperson Colling felt that parking in the street for these businesses would create an issue.

A motion to approve the TCO was made by Cardimen, and seconded by Blackstone. Chairperson Colling called for a roll call vote.

**Ayes: Moore
Colling
Cardimen
Blackstone**

Nays: None

**Absent: Paul Franklin
Scott Hunter
Allan Schneck**

MOTION CARRIED