

From: [Scott McMeans - D2](#)
To: [Mackenzie Reed-Kadow](#)
Subject: Fw: information request
Date: Friday, February 5, 2021 2:16:16 PM

Here is the initial request. It was a study request, however we have had a study and discussion, so I will bring another recommendation for discussion.

Thank you!

Scott

From: Justin Nickels
Sent: Monday, January 4, 2021 11:24 AM
To: 'Robert J'
Cc: Dan Koski; Jeremiah Novak; Scott McMeans - D2
Subject: RE: information request

Bob –

Thanks for reaching out.

I agree this intersection is a bit wonky.

Before I would agree to doing an analysis, I would ask this to go to a committee of city council members first.

I have added Alderman Jeremiah Novak (Chair of the Public Infrastructure Committee) and Alderman Scott McMeans (Chair of the Public Safety Committee) to respond when they would be able to add this to their committee for discussion on next steps. I would also ask they include you when this meeting happens.

Thanks again for reaching out.

-Justin



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From: Robert J <prolaborpower@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, December 28, 2020 10:56 AM

To: Justin Nickels <jnickels@manitowoc.org>

Cc: Dan Koski <dkoski@manitowoc.org>

Subject: information request

Dear Mr. Nickels,

This is a request that the City evaluate the conversion of the intersection of Maritime Drive and Cleveland Avenue into a 'T' intersection.

Can you authorize a cost/benefit analysis, an open meeting for citizen input, or a public infrastructure department preliminary evaluation?

If not, what could you recommend?

I own the house at 2 Cleveland Avenue. Five years ago I did a deal to convert that 1 acre vacant lot into a 3 parcel residential. The 3 parcels sold immediately. Two of them now have houses including mine and the third is pending construction.

About 18 months ago a group of residents representing this section of Cleveland Avenue made a presentation to the City safety committee to express concerns with speeding vehicles traveling south on Maritime Drive that carry high velocity peril as they assume 'the curve' onto Cleveland Avenue.

In fact, many don't slow down until obligated do so at the stop sign at the Hawthorne Terrace intersection.

Chicane traffic calming, signal lights, and other methods for safety enhancements were discussed. I was not present; we are seasonal residents. The feedback that I received from meeting attendees was that the City had no supportive data to justify safety control measures at the corner of Maritime Drive and Cleveland Avenue, particularly as it pertains to 'the curve.'

Several months later I was informed by Mr. Koski that another resident or residents spoke to the City infrastructure committee (it may have been the safety committee) regarding the same. Mr. Koski would have better recollection of who presented the idea, for what purpose and in what forum. The idea proposed was that the intersection of Maritime Drive with Cleveland Avenue be converted into a "T" intersection.

My immediate thought was that this is an idea with value that is worth evaluating not just from a safety standpoint but from a practical perspective.

In addition to improving the safety of the portion of Cleveland Avenue from 'the curve' to the Hawthorne Terrace intersection, a "T" might also give me the opportunity to enter our driveway when traveling east on Cleveland Avenue.

Mr. Koski indicated to me via a phone conversation last summer that the "T" intersection suggestion was presented in concept only and that there was no engineering study or Council direction at that time.

Your infrastructure engineers may actually determine that this concept might meet credibility standards with or without citizen input.

The property tax revenue from the 2 houses and the third lot this year is \$10,500; add another \$4,000+ when the 3rd house is up. The vacant acre produced less than \$1,000 annually prior to new construction. I think that this point is relevant because the cost of doing business in the public sector, particularly roadway construction, is normally the first eyebrow raised.

What do you think? What can you do to initiate a preliminary review of the concept?

Regards,

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