

PKts. 10-11-19



Re: Fw: replace continually flashing pedestrian light at Ames Middle School with an on-demand flashing pedestrian light

Diane R Voss to: John Haila

10/11/2019 09:41 AM

I have placed this (with the other email from Kyle Poorman) in the Non-Agenda Packet to go out today for possible referral on October 22.

Diane Voss, City Clerk/Records Manager
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Ames, Iowa 50010
(515) 239-5105

John Haila

Diane, Please place this email on Disposition of...

10/11/2019 08:17:12 AM

From: John Haila/COA
To: Diane R Voss/COA@COA
Cc: kylepoorman@mac.com, Steve Schainker/COA@COA, City Council and Mayor@COA, Tasheik Kerr/COA@COA, Brian Phillips/COA@COA
Date: 10/11/2019 08:17 AM
Subject: Fw: replace continually flashing pedestrian light at Ames Middle School with an on-demand flashing pedestrian light

Diane,

Please place this email on Disposition of Communications to Council at next meeting (10/22). Council can determine at that time if they want to refer this to staff.

John A. Haila

Mayor



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-----Forwarded by John Haila/COA on 10/11/2019 08:16AM -----

To: MayorCouncil@city.ames.ia.us

From: "Kyle Poorman" <kylepoorman@mac.com>

Date: 10/10/2019 10:47PM

Subject: replace continually flashing pedestrian light at Ames Middle School with an on-demand flashing pedestrian light

Dear Ames City Council,

I'd like to request that the Ames City Council instruct the relevant Ames City department to phase out all continually flashing pedestrian yield lights and replace them with the on-demand variety of pedestrian light. The on-demand light only flashes when a button is pushed. The continually flashing lights do not work, cars simply ignore them, and they can be more dangerous for pedestrians. The on-demand variety work much more effectively.

Additionally, I would like the Ames City Council to instruct the relevant Ames City department to immediately replace the continually flashing pedestrian light that is immediately across from the Ames Middle School with an on-demand flashing light. I often times stand at this flashing light, with my dogs,

and cars on this very busy road have never stopped for me. I also think that the continually flashing light can be more dangerous for pedestrians because they may believe that cars are prepared to stop. The on-demand flashing lights are much better and do induce some cars to stop for pedestrians.

I made this request one year ago with the Ames Traffic Department and I am now logging my request with the Mayor and Ames City Council.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Kyle Poorman