

Pkts. 7-12-19

Re: Question regarding parking designation on north Brookridge

John Haila

to:

Diane R Voss

07/06/2019 09:12 AM

Cc:

MayorCouncil, "Steven Cannon"

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History: This message has been replied to.

Diane,

Please include on next weeks Disposition of Communications to Council list.

Thanks,

John A. Haila

Mayor, City of Ames

On Jul 5, 2019, at 12:40 PM, Steven Cannon <stevencannoniam@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Ames City Council and Mayor,

I have been concerned lately about a parking/visibility issue at the north end of Brookridge. This spring and early summer, I have noticed more frequent parking on the southeast side of the road, on the curve, here:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Ames,+IA/@42.0302048,-93.6275705,71m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m5!3m4!1s0x87ee70624634a06b:0x273156083cc75200!8m2!3d42.0307812!4d-93.6319131>

This reduces the remaining width of the road to about 18 feet (effectively, to one lane), and cuts off the line of sight for both bikers and cars traveling either direction. It feels dangerous to me.

I called Public Works about this issue and talked to Brad. He and the traffic engineer went and looked at the location and agreed that it might be a problem, but they recalled that several years ago, some neighbors in the vicinity petitioned the city to remove the no-parking designation from this stretch and replace the no-parking sign with a 10 mph sign. Indeed, I see that there are remnants of yellow paint on the curb (I think it was painted over). He said that the best way to get this changed back to a no-parking zone would be to go to the Council again. It is just the stretch along the curve itself that I am concerned about. That would probably impact just two properties - and not the entire curb for either property.

So, I respectfully request that the city traffic engineer reevaluate the parking designation in that vicinity, with safety for users of this busy residential road being the foremost consideration.

I understand that I should request that this request be added to the Council's "non-agenda" packet.

Respectfully,

Steven Cannon

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