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Memorandum

TO:

Safety and Development Committee

FROM:

Michael Lewis, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

DATE:

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RE:

Communication from Director of Public Works/City Engineer regarding the traffic lights at 60th Street and Hayes Avenue.

By way of this e-mail sent last week and my conversation with Alderman Vitale on Monday, he agreed to our solution to the traffic lights at 60th Street and Hayes Avenue.

Vince,

We have investigated this issue further and find that the lights were installed at the request of St. Rita's in 1975. Of course, the school is now closed.

The lights were originally installed with semi-actuation, which means that the Hayes green light only comes on when there is a vehicle present. Without any vehicles on Hayes, 60th Street would stay green. We can, in-house, repair/replace the equipment and get the lights back to semi-actuation. The other 60th Street lights, at Mineral, Lapham & Grant are semi-actuated too. Semi-actuation would go from 7-6:00 p.m. M-F then. Hayes would be in flash the other times.

Is that an agreeable solution?

Michael Lewis

We will be installing/replacing the necessary equipment this year as soon as possible.