



City of West Allis

Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing the City Engineer to order the removal of the traffic signals at the intersection of S. 76 St. and W. Lapham St.

WHEREAS The City retained raSmith (R-2019-0913 on December 17, 2019) to conduct a traffic signal warrant analysis and recommend possible traffic control changes at the intersection of 76th Street and Lapham Street and those recommendations are summarized in the attached memorandum, and

WHEREAS The former Lincoln Intermediate School, located at 7815 W. Lapham Street (two blocks west) was a neighborhood school and major traffic generator for the area. But the school closed in 2017 and later reopened as James E. Dottke High School which operates longer hours and has lower student enrollment compared to the former Lincoln Intermediate School, and

WHEREAS raSmith has determined that traffic signal warrants are not met at the S. 76th Street intersection with W. Lapham Street with the existing traffic volumes and raSmith recommends removal of the traffic signals.

WHEREAS the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) recommends the following steps as part of the traffic signal removal process:

- A. Determine the appropriate traffic control to be used after removal of the signal which raSmith recommends changing to a two-way stop control at the intersection with S. 76th Street in free-flow movement.
- B. Remove any sight distance restrictions as necessary.
- C. Inform the public of the removal study.
- D. Flash or cover the signal heads for a minimum of 90 days, and install the appropriate traffic control or other traffic control devices.
- E. Remove the signal if the engineering data collected during the removal study period confirms the signal is no longer valid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of West Allis that the City Engineer is authorized to order the removal of the traffic signals at the intersection of 76th Street and Lapham Street and to follow the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) steps enumerated above as part of the signal removal process.