

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 22, 2002 Council Session

Item G21

#2002-339 - Approving Installation of Stop Signs on Charles Street at Cedar Street

Council action is required for the installation of stop signs. Property owners near the intersection of Charles Street and Cedar Street have requested that the intersection be marked as a four-way stop due to the volume of traffic received from Locust Street in the evening hours.

We believe the intersection was originally marked as a two way stop when Charles Street was a direct route to the former St. Francis Hospital. Since the hospital is no longer located along this street, the need for straight access to the building has changed. The Public Works Department conducted traffic counts at the intersection and found that the highest traffic volumes occurred in the late evening and on weekend nights. Most of this traffic appears to be recreational, as drivers northbound on Locust Street use Charles Street as a turn around location to head back south to Locust Street. The Police Department and Public Works Department feel the installation of east and westbound stop signs on Charles would improve the safety of the intersection. It is recommended that Council pass a Resolution for the installation of stop signs for eastbound and westbound traffic on Charles Street at Cedar Street. Costs for the stop sign and the installation would be minimal.

Staff Contact: Steve Riehle, City Engineer/Public Works Director

City of Grand Island City Council

RESOLUTION 2002-339

WHEREAS, the City Council, by authority of Section 22-27 of the Grand Island City Code, may by resolution regulate motor vehicle traffic upon the streets of the City of Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, property owners in the area of Charles Street and Cedar Street have requested the implementation of a 4-way stop to improve safety at the intersection;

WHEREAS, stop signs currently exist on Cedar Street where it intersects with Charles Street requiring north/south bound traffic to stop prior to entering said intersection; and

WHEREAS, after a review of the traffic flow of the intersection, it was recommended that stop signs by installed on Charles Street at Cedar Street to require all east/west bound traffic to stop prior to entering the intersection; and

WHEREAS, it is in the city's best interests to effectuate such changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that

- 1. Stop signs be installed on Charles Street where it intersects with Cedar Street, which will result in all traffic being required to stop prior to entering such intersection.
- 2. The Street Department is hereby directed to install such signs and lights to regulate traffic as outlined above.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on October 22, 2002.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form