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POINT PAPER

Stop Signs

Intersection - 9th Ave. West & 15th Street West

September 28, 2009

ISSUE:

Excess traffic on 9th Ave. West (between 17th St. W. and 13th St. W) causing safety issues for pedestrians, bicyclist, and motor vehicles.

BACKGROUND:

9th Ave. West runs North to South from 17th Street W. to 13th Street W. In that stretch of road there are no stop signs, and that causes safety issues with vehicle traffic and pedestrians. The problems occur when there is a large amount of vehicle traffic on 17th Street W. (East bound), and those vehicles use 9th Ave. W. as a short cut to by-pass the 17th Street W. and 8th Ave. W. intersection.

The heavy traffic is caused by the following:

Palmetto High School - To and from school traffic

Palmetto High School - After school functions and events

Manatee Co. Fair Grounds - Fair and other events

17th St. W. & 8th Ave. W. Intersection - Accidents

The additional traffic on 9th Ave. W. causes safety issues with the residents of the Palmetto Mobile Home Club (walkers-bicyclist), students walking to and from school, and vehicle & foot traffic from local businesses and the 17th Street Park.

NOTE: 62 residents of the Palmetto Mobile Home Club signed a letter (attached) of support for the stop signs. Deputy Chief Hannaford has personally monitored (during school hours-school functions/events, and fair functions/events) the intersection during all hours of the day, and confirms the issues involved with 9th Ave. W. being used as a short cut.

RECOMMENDATION:

Place stop signs (north & south bound lanes) at the intersection of 9th Ave. W., and 15th St. W. The stop signs will slow traffic and discourage persons from using 9th Ave. W. as a short cut.

BUDGET IMPACT:

None - Traffic Study (Inhouse) - Stop Signs (In Stock)

**PALMETTO MOBILE HOME CLUB
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PALMETTO, FL 34221**

September 14, 2009

To whom it may concern: We the residence of the Palmetto Mobile Home Club have a concern regarding the intersection of 9th Avenue and 15th street, Palmetto. This is also known as "M" Street incorporated within the Alphabetical listings of streets within the Club.

Our concern is that the traffic traveling on 9th Avenue exceeds the posted speed limit excessively. Club members getting their exercise walking on M St. plus walking to Hungry Howies and Kojacks Restaurants are exposed to this traffic. Now that school has started the children walk 9th Ave. We would appreciate the City's consideration of erecting stop signs on 9th Ave North and South making it a 3 way stop. We affix our signatures to this letter to show our support.

Palmetto Police Coordinator:

Jack H. Martin M-10

Park Safety Cordinator:

Mike McBurnett E-R

Club member:

Name	Lot #
<i>Bell Bowling</i>	<i>M-12</i>
<i>Carol Bowling</i>	<i>M-12</i>
<i>CHRIS BIRCHALL</i>	<i>P-15</i>
<i>Richard Derrigney</i>	<i>0-32</i>
<i>JAMES KESAR</i>	<i>J-13</i>
<i>Mary Clay</i>	<i>0-24</i>
<i>Jim Clay</i>	<i>J-3</i>
<i>Arthur Burns</i>	<i>J-3</i>
<i>Melvon Burns</i>	<i>N-11</i>
<i>Gerald Steyer</i>	<i>N-11</i>
<i>Clara Steyer</i>	<i>K-19</i>
<i>Cinda Nelson</i>	<i>K-19</i>
<i>Jay Cook</i>	<i>B-1</i>
<i>Rosemary Cook</i>	<i>C-7</i>
<i>Thomas Dawell</i>	<i>C-7</i>
<i>Archie Dawell</i>	<i>M-30</i>
<i>Jeanette Syden</i>	<i>M-30</i>
<i>John St. Coover</i>	<i>N-19</i>
	<i>0-6</i>

Club member:

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Merlin Busch	E-44
Cornie Busch	E-44
Janetm Doud	E-33
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Harry J. Curtis	E 34
Curtis Curtis	E 34
Melvin Mahoney	J 30
Mona Poole	J-30
Cindy Thompson	I-23
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Sam Bayer	E-14
Betty Page	E-11
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Phil Molejnos	D 63
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William Toll	D 17
Don Toll	N-3
Doris Brynton	D-3
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Arlene Shoemaker	E 47
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Norman Mullenbaur	E 57
Margaret Peterson	G 24