

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
PUBLIC SAFETY and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2011

6:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Council members: Brannelly; Co-chair, Lyons; Co-chair,
A. Ayala, M. Ayala, Brantley

Co-chair Lyons called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm.

It was stated that Ray Wiley, Senior Program Manager and Joe Pereira, Pereira Engineering were present to speak about the item.

Approval of Committee Minutes: April 5, 2011

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER M. AYALA SECONDED**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Informative Tour of the Emergency Management Center.

Co-chair Lyons announced that the tour that was scheduled tonight was cancelled due to circumstances. She noted that it would be rescheduled for September.

81-10 Application for Driveway Permit: #1775 Reservoir Avenue – Wilber Cross School.

Mr. Pereira distributed a copy of the rendering as it pertained to the Application for Driveway Permit: #1775 Reservoir Avenue – Wilber Cross School

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOVED TO ENTER THE RENDERING FOR APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY PERMIT: #1775 RESERVOIR AVENUE – WILBER CROSS SCHOOL AS EXHIBIT-A**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER A. AYALA SECONDED**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Wiley stated that they were looking for approval of the driveway permit, due to there being a safety hazard and the need to address handicap access.

Mr. Pereira explained that the driveway will have a maximum curb cut of 24 feet, because of the buses that will be introduced off the street. They will provide a 20 foot wide one-way driveway that will result in a wider curb cut where he pointed out on the rendering. There will be a combined bus area for exiting and where parents will drop off and pick up. He felt this would work functionally, although it doesn't satisfy the city ordinance. There will also be a common driveway that satisfies the 24 foot distance between curb cuts.

Co-chair Lyons said she observed the current driveway, noting that the circulation around the building wasn't good safety wise, so the new proposal will improve the safety conditions; especially since it's a busy area.

Council member Brantley asked if the kids will enter the building where the buses enter. Mr. Pereira said they provided handicap accessibility and the kids will enter at the main building entrance.

Co-chair Brannelly asked if where the shared driveway is located; was it where the change was being requested. Mr. Pereira said yes. He explained that anytime a driveway is wider than 20 feet, it requires approval. He further stated that will be enough room for the buses to pull out.

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER A. AYALA MOVED TO APPROVE SUBJECT TO THE ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY SECONDED**

Co-chair Lyons commented that she was pleased with the change

- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOVED TO ADJOURN
** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Graham
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