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Sent: Friday, September 17, 2004 1:01 PM

To: 'Lushington, Gerald Henry'; jriedl@sunflower.com; DWoosley@ci.lawrence.ks.us

Subject: RE: Traffic at 29th and Kensington

Mr. Woosley,

I reside on Charise Ct., and my husband and I are also daily travelers through the 29th and Kensington intersection; I take multiple trips a day, my husband just to and from work. Neither one of us has encountered any problems at this intersection in the 5 ½ years we have lived here; like Mr. Lushington, I have found the drivers through that area to be polite and conscientious. We are totally opposed to any traffic circle or stop signs, but would not mind a yield sign, as this might lessen confusion about who has the right of way when 2 cars approach at the same time. I would rather see money spent on repaving instead of patching that particular corner.

Thanks

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From: Lushington, Gerald Henry [mailto:glushington@ku.edu]
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2004 11:21 AM
To: jriedl@sunflower.com; DWoosley@ci.lawrence.ks.us
Subject: RE: Traffic at 29th and Kensington

Dear Mr. Woosley,

As residents of the 2900 block of Lankford Dr., and daily contributors to the traffic at 29th and Kensington, my wife and I would like to strongly second all of Mr. Riedl's comments and suggestions. We find that it is rare to approach this intersection without encountering some form of cross traffic. On my way home on Wednesday evening, for example, my car was one of six simultaneously lined up on various approaches to the intersection. Fortunately the majority of the traffic generally adheres to basic principles of four way stops or yields, and yields to foot traffic, but there is a worrisome component that takes the absence of any signage as a mandate to drive through without even slowing down. Given a park and school so close to that intersection, we share many of our neighbors safety concerns about the absence of any regulation governing such a busy spot.

Having driven and walked around many of the new traffic circles south of campus, my general impression is that while they do slow traffic down, they often actually detract from the attention drivers pay to foot traffic as they're concentrating on avoiding the obstacle. Simple signage strikes me as a cheaper and more effective solution to this growing problem.

- Gerry

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From: John Riedl [mailto:jriedl@sunflower.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 15, 2004 6:34 PM
To: DWoosley@ci.lawrence.ks.us
Subject: Traffic at 29th and Kensington

Mr. Woosley:

In regards to your recent conversation with Danny Drungilas on a "traffic calming circle" at the intersection of 29th and Kensington in Prairie Park, I am for this approach although it seems "overkill" when four stop signs would resolve the issue.

I understand there are guidelines for this sort of thing, but when they conflict with common sense and public safety they are useless if not potentially dangerous. I'd rather not count "accidents" or the injury or deaths of children before being able to justify a solution many people agree with. Simply stated, this is on a main intersection for access just down from an elementary school and traffic often fails to stop or yield at this intersection. I cannot even begin to count how many times my wife and I have come to being hit there in the 6 years we have lived in this neighborhood.

Sending cars around a traffic circle may slow them down, but what we need is for them to "stop, look and listen" to ensure the utmost safety. That can only be done with four common signs.

Nevertheless, I would agree to this solution if it is the only one available and is agreed upon by the neighbors. I would prefer to investigate changing the guidelines to allow for stop signs here. What is the process for this? What is the cost difference between stop signs and a circle? How would a circle disrupt the people living near the intersection? What if the community paid for the signs?

It seems to me regardless of what the city does and what rules it may have those of us who live here need a voice in this matter. That doesn't seem to be happening in many areas and explains the good work of Mr. Drungilas on behalf of the area.

Sincerely,

John Riedl
1705 Whitmore Ct.

David Woosley

From: Danny Drungilas [danny@drungilas.com]
Sent: Sunday, October 03, 2004 11:28 AM
To: DWoosley@ci.lawrence.ks.us
Subject: PPNA - Kensington & 29th Street

David,

Please add the above intersection to the agenda for the Traffic Safety Commission's discussion on November 1, 2004 at 7:30PM during our usual TSC meeting. The neighbors in this area would like some traffic control device like yield signs or stop signs installed. Most people feel a traffic circle is both overkill and too costly.

The some neighbors have already sent you emails indicating their position and a petition may be in process. I have CC: this message to the neighborhood.

Thanks,
Danny Drungilas
838-3858 Home
423-0218 Mobile

10/26/2004

30 October 2004

To: Traffic Safety Committee, City of Lawrence

Re: Traffic Controlling/Calming Device at the intersection of 29th & Kensington Streets

I canvassed a portion of the Prairie Park neighborhood south of 29th Street and received the attached 100 plus signatures of residents who are supportive of installing stop signs at this intersection. All those I spoke with were very supportive of an improvement at this intersection. Everyone who was home at the time I canvassed the neighborhood, except one homeowner, was enthusiastic and more than willing to sign the petition. (The one exception was a homeowner who could not speak English and did not understand what I was saying to him.) Approximately 85% of those I spoke with took time to tell me their personal stories of almost being hit or almost having an accident at this intersection. Those with children indicated their concern for children's safety at this intersection, especially since it is so close to the Prairie Park Elementary School and the Prairie Park City Park where so many of the members of the neighborhood walk and play.

The input I received from everyone I spoke with was that some device is needed to indicate clearly who has the right of way. There was not a preference for whether signage was for 29th Street or Kensington, but that some signage would clarify and give a right-of-way to one of the streets. Most homeowners were cognizant of the right-of-way rule at 4 way intersections, but the lengthy straight-away of each of these streets gives the perception that the right of way belongs to the person traveling along their respective street and also unfortunately induces an increase of speed along those streets. Personally, I have been very cautious at this intersection, but even with my caution, I have almost been hit by another car whose driver was not paying attention.


Several residents commented that they were willing to pay for the signs themselves or to share the cost of a sign or signs with the other residents in the neighborhood. Some even commented that they had a stop sign or a yield sign, and that they had considered installing a sign themselves at this intersection (of course that would be illegal). I think this shows the intensity of the emotions of the residents in this neighborhood in regards to the dangers posed by this intersection.

Although we are encouraging a stop sign, even a yield sign, or painted pedestrian crosswalks with a pedestrian crossing sign would be helpful to reduce the stress for those transverseing this intersection. Perhaps there is an alternative traffic calming device that could be used which we are not aware of. I did have 3 residents signing this petition who were against traffic roundabouts and did not want this device installed at this intersection. It was apparent from all the comments I received that drivers in this neighborhood are stressed and concerned about this intersection and its potential for an accident or bodily harm to children in the neighborhood.

We recognize that the city has considered the traffic safety at this intersection in the past. However, there is additional neighborhood traffic with the completion of Goodell Court south of 30th Street and Kensington, and there will be potentially more traffic on 29th Street from O'Connell road as residential development is completed on the east side of O'Connell road. Traffic will surely increase as residents bring children to and from the school from the planned new residential areas.

We hope that we can improve the traffic safety at this intersection before someone is seriously hurt or killed at this intersection.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns for safety at this intersection in our neighborhood.


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The following individuals live in Prairie Park and request the City of Lawrence have stop signs installed on 29th Street where it intersects with Kensington Street.

Print Name	Signature	Address	Lawrence	KS	66046
Teresa Fowler	<i>T. Fowler</i>	1809 E 29 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
HARLAND JOHNSON	<i>Harland Johnson</i>	1613 E 29 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Kathy Schoenwandt	<i>Kathy Schoenwandt</i>	1801 E 29 th Street	Lawrence	KS	66046
GALE T REBEC	<i>Gale T. Rebec</i>	1713 E. 29 th STREET	Lawrence	KS	66046
LISA RAGLAND	<i>Lisa Ragland</i>	1704 E 29 th Street	Lawrence	KS	66046
Eric Ragland	<i>Eric Ragland</i>	1704 E. 29 th Street	Lawrence	KS	66046
ROBERT BRAWLEY	<i>Robert Brawley</i>	1700 E. 29 th ST.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Nandi Hanna	<i>Nandi Hanna</i>	2901 Whitmore Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Steve Hanna	<i>Steve Hanna</i>	2901 Whitmore Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
JOSEPH SLAUGH	<i>Joseph Slauch</i>	2905 Whitmore Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Karla Donnell	<i>Karla Donnell</i>	2917 Whitmore	Lawrence	KS	66046
DAVE OSBORN	<i>Dave Osborn</i>	2921 WHITMORE	Lawrence	KS	66046
Walt Kaugewitz	<i>Walt Kaugewitz</i>	2908 Whitmore Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Kim Herries	<i>Kim Herries</i>	1705 Charise Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
DEBBIE KELLEY	<i>Debbie Kelley</i>	2925 Whitmore Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
Diana Patterson	<i>Diana Patterson</i>	0709 Rowhide Ln	Lawrence	KS	66046
Shawn Millhouse	<i>Shawn Millhouse</i>	2929 Whitmore Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046



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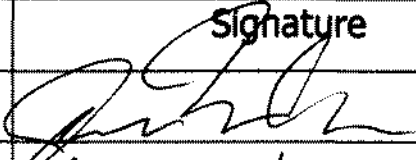
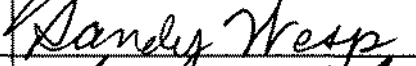



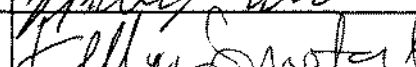
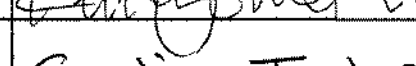
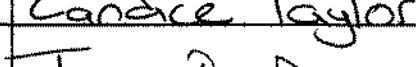


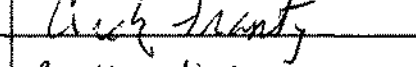
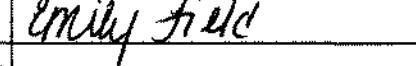
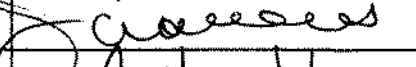
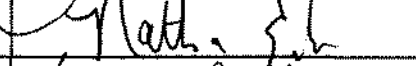



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Debra Peterson	<i>Debra Peterson</i>	2937 Kensington Lawrence, KS 66046	Lawrence	KS	66046
GRANT PETERSON	<i>Grant Peterson</i>	2937 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Rick Sawyer	<i>Rick Sawyer</i>	2933 Kensington Rd	Lawrence	KS	66046
Ken Nelson	<i>Ken Nelson</i>	2959 Fenwick Rd.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Lorie Sawyer	<i>Lorie Sawyer</i>	2933 Kensington Rd	Lawrence	KS	66046
Rorie Sawyer	<i>Rorie Sawyer</i>	2936 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Gruess Thompson	<i>Gruess Thompson</i>	2936 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Dawn Thompson	<i>Dawn Thompson</i>	2932 KENSINGTON	Lawrence	KS	66046
Mary K Page	<i>MARY K PAGE</i>	2916 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Gary Prager	<i>Gary Prager</i>	2905 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Pete Chaston	<i>Pete Chaston</i>	2904 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Stacy Stidham	<i>Stacy Stidham</i>	1820 E. 29 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Katy Hayden	<i>Katy Hayden</i>	1821 E 29 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
Camilo Snapp	<i>Camilo Snapp</i>	1812 E 29 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
Janet Lukert	<i>Janet Lukert</i>	1700 E. 29 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Judith Brawley	<i>JUDITH BRAWLEY</i>	1808 E 29 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
Denise Kendall	<i>Denise Kendall</i>				

STOP

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Gerry Lushington		2933 Lankford Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Sandy Wesp		2941 Lankford Drive	Lawrence	KS	66046
ROBERT A. WESP		2941 LANKFORD DR.	Lawrence	KS	66046
KRISTEN PARKER		1805 E 30 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Phillip Smetak		1901 E. 30th street	Lawrence	KS	66046
Kellen Smetak		1901 E 30 th ST	Lawrence	KS	66046
Candice Taylor		1913 E. 30 th St	Lawrence	KS	66046
Steve Frantz		1800 Goodell	Lawrence	KS	66046
Cindy Frantz		1907 Goodell Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Emily Field		1967 Goodell Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
Jim CRAVENS		2000 Goodell Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Nathan Zubanks		2004 GOODALL CT.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Karen Coover		2008 Goodell Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Doug Grier		2104 Goodell Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
Malinda Grier		2112 Goodell ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
		2112 Goodell Ct,	Lawrence	KS	66046



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Larry Stussie		2916 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
Lon Stussie		2916 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
Keith Moore		2912 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
Thomas Sappano		2901 FENWICK	Lawrence	KS	66046
Peter C GARCIA		2900 Lankford	Lawrence	KS	66046
BRIAN WAGNER		2904 Lankford Dr.	Lawrence	KS	66046
EILEEN WAGNER		2904 LANKFORD DR.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Julie Coats		2917 Lankford Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
BRAD COATS		2917 LANKFORD DR	Lawrence	KS	66046
SUSAN CAMPBELL		2924 Lankford Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
Scott Sharp		2921 Lankford Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
Kylee Sharp		2921 Lankford Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
ERIC HOLLINGER		2929 LANKFORD DR	Lawrence	KS	66046
PHONE THEP SOUVA NABONG		2932 Lankford Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
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Stephen L. Egbert	[Signature]	2941 Bishop St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
LANCE WOLLESEN	Lance Wollesen	2937 Bishop St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Natalie Mulryan	Natalie Mulryan	2928 Bishop	Lawrence	KS	66046
Robert Mulryan	Robert Mulryan	2928 Bishop	Lawrence	KS	66046
Barry Kingery	[Signature]	2017 E. 30 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
Marilyn Sell	Marilyn Sell	1724 Charise Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Michelle Garcia	Michelle Garcia	2009 E. 30 th St.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Daniel Loxean	Danielle Kean	2005 E 30 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
Monica Ruiz	M. Ruiz	2937 FENWICK	Lawrence	KS	66046
David Kuhnert	David Kuhnert	2937 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
ROCKY RANFORD	[Signature]	2933 FENWICK RD	Lawrence	KS	66046
Mark Isaac	[Signature]	2936 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
John Sackhoff	John Sackhoff	2913 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
Erica Souter	Erica Souter	2920 Fenwick	Lawrence	KS	66046
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ROBERT MARETT	<i>Robert Maret</i>	2937 WHITMORE DR	Lawrence	KS	66046
Michelle Walthall	<i>Michelle Walthall</i>	1704 Whitmore Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
GREG LYON	<i>Greg Lyon</i>	1713 WHITMORE CT,	Lawrence	KS	66046
Brian Steiner	<i>Brian Steiner</i>	1721 Whitmore Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
Terry Knight	<i>Terry Knight</i>	1728 Whitmore Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
Hannelle Brandt	<i>Hannelle J. Brandt</i>	1728 Whitmore Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
Kris Kohler	<i>Kris Kohler</i>	1720 Whitmore Ct.	Lawrence	KS	66046
CHERYL HANEY	<i>Cheryl Haney</i>	2924 WHITMORE DR.	Lawrence	KS	66046
ROBERT HANEY	<i>Robert + Haney</i>	2924 WHITMORE DR	Lawrence	KS	66046
Julie Nguyen	<i>Julie Nguyen</i>	2949 Whitmore Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
David Soderstrom	<i>David Soderstrom</i>	2961 Whitmore Dr	Lawrence	KS	66046
Christine Riley	<i>Christine Riley</i>	1701 E 30 th St	Lawrence	KS	66046
HOANG TRAN	<i>Hoang Tran</i>	1700 E 30 th St	Lawrence	KS	66046
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Danny Drungilas	Danny Drungilas	2132 E. 26 th	Lawrence	KS	66046
PAUL FIELDS	Paul Fields	2825 Lankford	Lawrence	KS	66046
Suzanne Lutz	Suzanne Lutz	2017 Barranca	Lawrence	KS	66046
Carrie Murphy	Carrie Murphy	2666 Harper St	Lawrence	KS	66046
Mary Adams	Mary Adams	2708 Kensington Rd	Lawrence	KS	66046
Gabriella Shawley	Gabriella Shawley	2637 Mawerick Ln	Lawrence	KS	66046
Laurie Zieder	Laurie Zieder	1717 Charise Ct	Lawrence	KS	66046
Betty Hernandez	Betty Hernandez	1102 Randall Rd, Apt B	Lawrence	KS	66046 66049
Jody Johnson	Jody Johnson	2925 Lankford Drive	Lawrence	KS	66046
David Williams	David Williams	2711 Kensington-	Lawrence	KS	66046
Ivy Briggs	Ivy Briggs	2711 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Michele Haider-Markel	Michele Haider-Markel	2711 Kensington	Lawrence	KS	66046
Larry L. Rose	Larry L. Rose	2124 E. 26 th St	Lawrence	KS	66046
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