

HPHS Neighborhood Meeting  
Thursday, February 19, 2015

- Mayor Rotering supportive; thanked everyone & wants to work through the process as quickly as possible.
- Barry Kahan – density statement/question
- Oversight Committee question (neighbor, '94 grad) – worked with traffic consultant – made a specific recommendation to the school board.
- Vine & St. John – traffic safety standard for a 4-way stop in a residential neighborhood. Problem is loading is backing up into intersection
- Patrick Sassen – New Trier – does not offer parking to all seniors. Charges \$1000 per student
- Steve Corcoran – New Trier – has a massive congestion problem
- Lighting question – will not require a variance from city code; 16' foot previous plan would require a city variance
- Implement parking permit for those students who live more than 1.5 miles from school
- Lisa Meitus -- parent & neighbor – drivers come from the east – where do they drop off? Have to enter athletic entrance & drive all the way around or use the North entrance. Cannot turn left into the Vine lot (heading west on Vine)
- Lisa Meitus asked – if more parking is less congestion – why not add more spaces than 631?
- Michael Dolter – all parking north of Vine – straighten bus drop-off or relocate tennis courts. Straighten bus loop – cost per space higher than any options; moving soccer field creates more congestion & safety issues at North entrance; storm water impact. \$800,000 increased costs
- Distribution improved south of Vine
- Stephen Brogen (sp??) parent – parking & congestion are the nature of high schools. Improve flow (right in/right out) be realistic with expectations
- Neighbor – more traffic in winter. Traffic backed up 2 blocks @ north entrance. Queuing in north lot too short. Too many trips with reduced parking; back-up is far worse. Supports plan with queuing. It is the district's property. Study supports the recommendation
- Same neighbor – sidewalks not being maintained.
- Same neighbor – multiple problems without having the Vine Avenue lot. Parking is needed to reduce congestion
- Same neighbor – isn't convinced that trip reduction plan will work.
- Amy Small – after school – congestion; back-up – athletes/activities anxious to park on the lot at the end of the day
- Judy Bramson --Why do we not have parking at Elm Place and Indian Trail
- Judy Bramson – What were the recommendations of the Transportation Commission
- Judy Bramson – How will you motivate students to walk/bike ride; incentives? Alison responded with incentives food (gift card to restaurant, etc.) Incentives did work for survey completion
- Judy Bramson – Who will manage overflow parking – additional notification, timely to neighbors
- Katie Jenks– remote parking; did carpool; parents did pick up from remote parking. Encouraging carpooling through community building with clubs; activities
- Parents/students game the system – use Vine lot & bus loop. Police officers present – drivers follow the rules. Encourage people to follow the procedures. Possibly more police enforcement
- John ??? – lives south of the lot. Landscaping south of the lot? What hours for lighting?
- Michael – landscaping south of the lot;

- Lighting – trial and error – define hours based on usage of the lot. Most likely – lights off between 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Purpose of lighting for safety. Introduce a motion detector with lights. Dimmed; increased lighting
- Ms. Kramer – parent of HP HS – incentives to use buses. Make more convenient stops. Some parents ignore bus and drive their children. Teach your kids to take the bus; don't be hovering parents & drive your child everywhere. Encourage students to use the bus.
- Drop off kids take Metra from Braeside and Ravinia and take it to downtown station & walk to HP HS
- Jim Coretti – Thanked us. New pool will be built in the location of the old pool
- Jim Coretti – we're moving in the right direction. Keeping all spots will cause less walking, less biking, less alternative routes.
- Jim Coretti – how did we have more volume/congestion if we increased bus ridership;
- Jim Coretti – not comfortable with net zero increase