



City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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Legislation Text

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CONSENT AGENDA - *Bob Therres, Public Services Manager*

SECOND READING

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 82 - TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL, ADDING SECTION 82-8 ESTABLISHING BLAINE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

At the July 14, 2016 City Council meeting, Council directed staff to establish a Traffic Commission that will review neighborhood traffic concerns on local streets, define issues, review alternatives, look at costs, hold public hearings, and make recommendations to the Council.

In order to coincide with all City Boards and Commissions, staff will include advertisement for this Commission in October. This Commission will be comprised of a total of seven (7) members; two (2) from each Ward and one (1) Chairperson at large. Terms for this Commission will be for two-year terms beginning March 2017 with four (4) terms expiring March 2020 in order to establish staggered terms.

Staff is recommending Council hold first reading of the proposed ordinance establishing the Blaine Traffic Commission.

THE CITY OF BLAINE DOES ORDAIN: (Added portions are underscored and deleted portions are shown in brackets with overstrike.)

Chapter 82 - Traffic and Vehicles, Article I. - In General

Sec. 82-8 Traffic Commission - Establishment, Membership, Organization.

(a) *Establishment.* There is hereby established for the City a Traffic Commission. The Traffic Commission is an advisory board to the City Council. The Traffic Commission shall review neighborhood traffic concerns on local streets, define issues, review alternatives, look at costs, hold public hearings, and make recommendations to the City Council.

(b) *Membership.* The Traffic Commission shall be composed of seven (7) members appointed for a term of two (2) years, except that four members shall initially serve a term of three (3) years and their successor shall serve a term of two (2) years, and, thereafter, all members shall

serve the prescribed two (2) year term. Terms for Traffic Commissioners shall expire in March of each year when a successor is qualified. Vacancies occurring at the end of a term or during a term shall be filled by mayoral appointment, which a majority of the entire City Council shall confirm no less than ten (10) days following written notice to the Council of an appointment. Members may be removed by the mayor if the removal is confirmed by a majority vote of the entire City Council. The mayor shall appoint a Chair at Large from among the members. At least two members must reside in each council election ward during the term of their appointment. Current members who move from the council election ward they were appointed to shall be allowed to complete their term with the approval of the Mayor and the two Councilmembers from the council election ward they moved from. Should a Commissioner move outside the City their term shall end immediately.

(c) *Organization.* The Traffic Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of its business and such rules may include provisions for the giving of oaths to witnesses and the filing of written briefs by the parties. The Commission shall provide a public record of its proceedings which include the minutes of its meetings, its findings, and action taken on each matter heard by it, including the final recommendation. The meetings of the Traffic Commission shall be held at the call of the Chair and at such other times as the Commission in its rules of procedure may specify.

Secs. 82-[8]9 - 82-40. - Reserved.

INTRODUCED AND READ in full the 4th day of August, 2016.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 18th day of August, 2016.