

## 2020 TSPL Request Log

### Intersections Added to Running List in 2020

1. Mineral Point & Memorial High School
2. Hill Drive & Whitney Way
3. Darwin Road & International Lane
4. Midtown Road & Red Tail Drive & Woods Road
5. Henry Mall & University Ave; Henry Mall & Johnson St.

### Intersections Removed from List

1. Prairie Road & Raymond Road (Traffic signal installed 2020)
  2. Aberg & Packers NB Ramp (Traffic signal planned)
  3. Heartland Trail & Old Sauk Road (Traffic signal planned)
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#### 1. Mineral Point – Memorial High School Entrance (WO70769)

- a. Jussi Snellman, [REDACTED]
  - i. Late 2019 request, only able to review crash history, did not meet warrant on crash history, put on 2020 list to review.

#### 2. Olin – Hickory (WO70770)

- a. Sarah, [REDACTED] on 12-5-2019
  - i. Requested signal

#### 3. Forward – Schroeder (WO71206)

- a. Tom Weeden, [REDACTED]
  - i. Along with speeding and parking complaints, Mr. Weeden requests a signal at Forward & Schroder due to difficulty of turning left during shift change.
  - ii. Wishes to be updated on meeting date.

#### 4. Whitney Way – Hill (WO70771)

- a. Jerry Schippa, City of Madison Traffic Engineering Dept.
- b. Due to concerns of vision off side street and difficulties of reconfiguring intersection, this intersection was added to the list to see how it ranks as a possible solution to pedestrian/bike access and driver vision issues raised by Ms. Pat Feltskog (SR1583).
- c. Not expected to rank very high, and 1 crash in past 5 years considered preventable by signal.

#### 5. Blackhawk – Joyce Erdman – University (WO70773)

- a. Sarah Sobek Ozburn, [REDACTED] (1/6/2020)
  - i. Crossing University is dangerous and sometimes impossible on foot. She uses the bus stop here and would like something to help her cross.
  - ii. She would also like to be notified of the TC meeting in the fall.

#### 6. Mid Town – Woods (WO70775)

- a. Taylor Andrews, [REDACTED] (1/7/2020)
  - i. Lanes are confusing and surprised there aren't more crashes.
  - ii. Would like to be notified of TC meeting

7. **Henry Mall – University Avenue (WO70777)**
  - a. Chuck Strawser, UW Ped/Bike Planner, [REDACTED], (2/4/2020)
    - i. Would like a signal coordinated with directional movement, not RRFB.
    - ii. Would like to be informed of meeting via email.
8. **Darwin Road – International Lane (WO70778)**
  - a. Julie Marshal, [REDACTED]
    - i. Was involved in an angle crash and now avoids the intersection altogether due to its danger trying to make an EBLT per phone conversation on 2/4/20.
    - ii. Would like to be notified via email on the TC meeting.
9. **Northport – School (WO70779)**
  - a. Amy Marsman, [REDACTED]
    - i. Would like this intersection to be studied and wants to be informed of meeting in the Fall.
    - ii. Difficulty cited relates to making a left turn off the side street, even during weekends, and due to the different turning movements.
10. **Packers Avenue – Scott Ln (WO70784)**
  - a. Gurpreet Singh, [REDACTED]
    - i. Is aware of TWLTL design coming in 2020 and appreciates it, but thinks an extra level of safety at Scott – Packers - Warbler would also help kids cross the street.
    - ii. Says there's about 5 hit and run crashes a year near him and thinks the TWLTL and signal would help reduce this.
    - iii. He would like to be MAILED an invitation to the TC meeting
11. **Old Sauk – Bear Claw (WO70785)**
  - a. Alder Skidmore
    - i. Requested to Chris Petykowski on 3/16/2020 during unrelated meeting after discussing with neighborhood.
12. **Midvale – Hilldale Shopping Center Driveway (WO70786)**
  - a. Renee Callaway
  - b. Added to TSPL list to collect additional data for possible treatment (RRFB or other)
  - c. Person was hit while crossing earlier in 2020.
13. **Thompson – Milwaukee (WO70685)**
  - a. Priscilla Gresens, [REDACTED]
  - b. Requests signal due to difficulty of turning out of side street.
  - c. Does wish to be contacted
    - i. [REDACTED]
14. **Cottage Grove Road – McLean**
  - a. Per request of Victoria Frank, [REDACTED]
  - b. Requests some type of control (to include signal, AWSC, RAB) due to difficulty of turning out of side street from neighborhood south of CGR. Only other access is south to Buckeye.
15. **East Washington & Melvin & Rethke**
  - a. BRT Team requested study for potential stop treatments.
  - b. Chad Nelson
    - i. Requested APS device at RRFB, then later stated a signal would be better.

## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Sarah Sobek Ozburn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 06, 2020 8:51 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Cc:** Smith, Brian; Callaway, Renee  
**Subject:** Re: Blackhawk & University Intersection

Hi Jerry,

Thanks for your response. Yes, I'd like to be reminded of the meeting, thank you for that offer. I appreciate my communication also being entered into the record for that meeting.

Best,

Sarah

On Mon, Jan 6, 2020 at 8:46 AM Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Sarah,

Thank you for following up with this this request. We have this on our list of intersections to review for potential pedestrian/bike improvement projects for 2020. This intersection has recently been studied with regards for a traffic signal and has been looked at for installing a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB). As of the most recent study performed in 2017, the intersection does not meet any of the warrants used to justify installing a traffic signal. With regards to installing an RRFB, we have not recommended installing one here due to the volume and speed of vehicles on University Avenue and the lack of a wide refuge island or median.

Moving forward we will study this intersection in the coming months to see if we can find a solution and funding for an improvement, and we will add it to our list to review with regards to a traffic signal. The process of reviewing for a traffic signal involves public meetings at the Transportation Commission in the fall where the public is invited to attend and make any statements for or against a potential new signal. If you would like to be reminded of this meeting when the date and time have been established, please let me know. Otherwise, our correspondence will be added to the public record for that meeting.

If you have any other questions or comments, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you,

Jerry Schippa, PE

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**From:** Sarah Sobek Ozburn [redacted] >  
**Sent:** Friday, January 03, 2020 8:46 AM  
**To:** Traffic <[traffic@cityofmadison.com](mailto:traffic@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: University Crossing at Blackhawk

Good Morning,

I sent the above email about a month ago and never received a response. I'd really appreciate if someone could address my concerns and questions.

Best,

Sarah

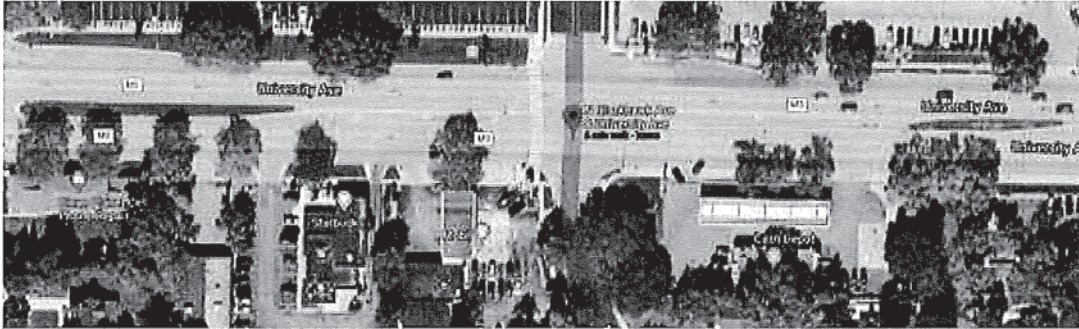
On Mon, Dec 2, 2019 at 9:21 AM Sarah Sobek Ozburn [redacted] > wrote:

Good Morning,

I'm emailing to inquire about the process for requesting a light/pedestrian signal at the intersection of University Avenue and N. Blackhawk Ave. (see map below). There are bus stops on both sides of University avenue at this intersection, and while there are crosswalks at this intersection there are no lights and crossing at rush hour is near impossible and incredibly dangerous. I am a bus commuter at this intersection and have seen many near misses and felt unsafe crossing.



Has a light or pedestrian signal been considered at this intersection? How do we move forward in evaluating if one is possible?



Best,

Sarah Sobek

## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Chad Nelson [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 28, 2020 2:24 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Subject:** Re: Accessible pedestrian signaling

**Categories:** To Do

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Hi Jerry, thank you for that. I would like to join that meeting if you can send me the information. And I truly think a traffic light at that intersection given the speed of traffic would be beneficial especially that me and my wife are both blind. Might be a good selling point. Thanks again. Chad

Sent from my US cellular iPhone SE.

On Oct 28, 2020, at 8:55 AM, Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com> wrote:

Yes, that is correct. It would be more similar to the RRFB crossing at Livingston & Williamson. The buttons would have a locator tone, then once you press the button the flashing lights would come on and a message would announce that the warning lights are on (may not be the exact message).

We'll also study this intersection for adding a traffic signal, which would replace the flashing lights, but could be built with accessible pedestrian signals if it meets warrant.

We're hoping to have a meeting with the Transportation Commission in November to present the list of requests for the year, update them on the current traffic signal priority list standings, propose intersections to perform further studies on, and to allow verbal or written comments on these or any other request for signals. We can pass along the meeting information if you wish to attend virtually, otherwise, our correspondence will be submitted as record of you requesting to study this intersection.

If you have any questions regarding the RRFB or traffic signal study, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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**From:** Chad Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2020 12:47 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Accessible pedestrian signaling

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Hi again, when you say audible signals, are you referring to the signal that would actually speak the status of the walk light? For example, we are looking for an installation that would mirror first Street and East Washington.

Sent from my US cellular iPhone SE.

On Oct 27, 2020, at 8:56 AM, Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com> wrote:

We're looking at keeping the same flashing amber lights, but with an audible message and location tone on the buttons.

If you'd like to request a traffic signal here, let me know, we're collecting data from intersections to study for installing signals and now would be the time to add this intersection to the list. No harm in doing so.

Thank you,

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**From:** Chad Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2020 8:45 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Accessible pedestrian signaling

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Hi Jerry,

Thanks for the update. No rush, we understand the challenges during this time.

Do you know if these are going to be flashing red lights, or an actual stop and go light? Thinking an actual stop light with red and green signals like normal stop lights would be better if possible. My wife and I are concerned that cars will ignore the flashing lights and fly through anyway.

Thank you for the update.

Stay well.

Chad Nelson.

**From:** Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2020 8:41 AM  
**To:** 'Chad Nelson' [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Accessible pedestrian signaling

Mr. Nelson,

Thank you for following up. We've been in contact with our vendor regularly over the summer regarding this location and have been told they are working on a way to reprogram the controller to allow adding the APS functionality. We'll try to get another update this week.

I wish I had better news, but they've been telling us they're working on it.

Please stay in contact, we'll update you when we get an update.

Thank you,

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**From:** Chad Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 23, 2020 8:50 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Accessible pedestrian signaling



Hi Jerry, just wanted to follow up with you about the signals at the intersection of East wash and Melvin Court. I'd touch base a little bit with you over the summer but with Covid and other things going on I think things really got delayed here. Can you please advise on the status of those auto pedestrian signals again at East Washington and Melvin court?

Thanks,

Chad

Sent from my US cellular iPhone SE.

On Jul 1, 2020, at 8:20 AM, Schippa, Jerry  
<[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Mr. Nelson,

We still have your request on record. Prior to Covid taking front stage, we were looking into how to implement an accessible flasher at this location. There is some additional work that needs to be done to retrofit the existing structure with this device, but I'll make sure to bring it back into the conversation with our office.

Thank you,

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**From:** Chad Nelson [redacted]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 27, 2020 9:56 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Accessible pedestrian signaling

Hi Jerry, I hope you're doing well. Just want to follow up with you regarding the accessible pedestrian signal that I requested for Melvin Court and E. Washington Ave. back in February. I know things might have been put on hold with the pandemic but still want to check and see if that is going to move forward for installation? That would be very helpful for my wife and I. Please let me know, my phone number is  Thank you, and stay safe. Chad

Sent from my US cellular iPhone SE.

On Feb 24, 2020, at 10:08 AM, Schippa, Jerry  
<[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Mr. Nelson,

I was forwarded your request for the online Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) request form. Attached in this email is that form, and I'll add a link to our website where the file is available for download.

For this location, we have a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) installed for crossing East Washington Avenue on the East side of Melvin, nearest the bus stops. This RRFB is activated by pushing the button located on the pole in the terrace, and again pushing the button in the median for crossing the other direction. If you were unaware of this, or would like help locating the buttons and having the crossing explained to you, please let me know and we'll schedule a meeting to go over the crossing. If you still want to request an APS device, please proceed with the form or contacting me.

If you do not want to fill out the form, you can instead respond to this email or call me directly and I'll fill it out for you. The questions we are most concerned with are as follows:

1. Who is requesting the APS device? This person must be either the individual who would benefit from the device due to sight impairments, or someone who cares for the individual (caretaker or family member typically).
2. What specific crossing is the request for? An example would be crossing East Washington on the east side of Melvin, near the bus stops.
3. How often the crossing is used? Typically people requests are for crossings that are used weekly or more frequently.

4. What is the specific nature of the sight impairment? Sometimes, depending on the individual requesting, simply upgrading the pedestrian signal heads is enough, or along with adding the devices we'll upgrade the pedestrian signal heads.

Link to our website:

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/trafficEngineering/trafficSignals.cfm>

If you have any other questions or comments regarding this location, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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**From:** Callaway, Renee  
<[ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com](mailto:ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2020 9:29 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** FW: Accessible pedestrian signaling

Here is the person who wants to fill out the API request form.

**From:** Trowbridge, David  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 23, 2020 4:58 PM  
**To:** Callaway, Renee <[ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com](mailto:ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** FW: Accessible pedestrian signaling

Hi Renee...pls see below...can you help this guy?...hope you did well at the Birkie!

Sent from my U.S.Cellular© Smartphone

----- Original message -----



Date: 2/22/20 11:06 PM (GMT-06:00)

To: "Trowbridge, David"

<[DTrowbridge@cityofmadison.com](mailto:DTrowbridge@cityofmadison.com)>

Subject: Accessible pedestrian signaling

Hi David, I was at the national Federation of the blind Dane County chapter when you were talking about the accessible pedestrian signals that talk and how we can be part of installing more around the city as needed. I would like to be able to request a set of those at the intersection of Melvin court and E Washington Avenue. Can you please send me the link to the website to fill out the request form? We are trying to find a way to safely cross the intersection and cross East Washington and it's impossible at this point without those signals Any information would be great!

Thank you,

Chad Nelson

Sent from my US cellular iPhone 7.

<[AudiblePedSignalRequest.pdf](#)>



## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Traffic  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 02, 2020 8:51 AM  
**To:** Winter, Mark  
**Cc:** Nash, Jeremy; Smith, Brian; Schippa, Jerry; Aviles Pineiro, Gretchen  
**Subject:** FW: Traffic/parking at 615 Forward Drive

**From:** Tom Weeden [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 23, 2019 2:43 PM  
**To:** Traffic <traffic@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Traffic/parking at 615 Forward Drive

Hello Traffic Department,

I'm writing in to request how we can have the curbs adjacent to WMTV/NBC15's driveways painted yellow or otherwise designated as No Parking areas for at least 20 feet on either side to improve the sight lines for our employees and visitors attempting to make turns on to Forward Drive. With the new Exact Sciences building across the street, there are now hundreds more new vehicles using Forward Drive each day. Contractors who are still working on construction often park right up to our driveways, making it difficult to see oncoming traffic heading to and from Exact Science's parking facility just north of our driveways. Today there was a near miss between one of our employees leaving our south driveway and a northbound car on the street (similar to the first photo below).

There are no posted speed limit signs on Forward Drive, and we often have vehicles pushing 40 mph, making the situation more difficult.

Question, are there any plans for a traffic signal at the Schroeder Road/Forward Drive intersection? Left turns from Forward on to Schroeder are difficult at various times of day, especially at shift changes.

I tried leaving a voice message a couple of weeks ago but didn't hear back from anyone.

Thank you.



Obstructed view of WMTV's employee driveway from the street (Forward Drive facing north). It's worse when a truck or van parks here.





Tom Weeden, Chief Engineer  
**WMTV**  
Gray Media Group, Inc.



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- 15.3 | Antenna TV
- 15.4 | Weather

## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Chuck Strawser [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 04, 2020 3:28 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Cc:** Callaway, Renee; Rob Kennedy  
**Subject:** RE: Additions to Ped/Bike Enhancements for Campus Area

Hi Jerry, Thanks for the email.

We would like the University Ave/Henry Mall crossing added to the signal request list.

I realize the University Ave/Campus Dr at Henry Mall/Engineering Mall intersection is quite close to the existing signal at Babcock. We thought it was so close it might be possible to install a signal at Henry Mall that's synchronized with the existing signal at Babcock so that - instead of two different signals so close together, the pair functions more or less as one intersection (especially since there's effectively no turning movements for MVs at either intersection other than RTs onto/off of Henry Mall - RtonR is already prohibited for WB traffic on Univ Ave at Babcock Dr).

I would like to be notified at this email address of the Transportation Commission meeting where TE presents the list of requests and recommendations for further study.

Thanks again for your time.

Chuck Strawser  
Pedestrian & Bicycle Transportation Planner  
Commuter Solutions  
UW-Madison Transportation Services

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<https://transportation.wisc.edu/bicycling/university-bicycle-resource-center/>

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**From:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2020 3:19 PM



**To:** Chuck Strawser [redacted]  
**Cc:** Callaway, Renee <ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Additions to Ped/Bike Enhancements for Campus Area

Charles,

These items have been added to our list to review and rank for potential ped/bike projects in 2020.

Regarding the University – Henry Mall crossing, we can add it to our 2020 Traffic Signal Priority List for review this fall however our stance has been this crossing is about 300' from adjacent signals that could be used therefore we have been reluctant to install an RRFB or ped hybrid beacon. We did however recently added a Leading Pedestrian Interval at Randall & University which allows for a longer gap in traffic so pedestrians crossing at Henry Mall have more time to establish the crosswalk and even cross the street before opposing traffic reaches that area.

If you would like us to add the Henry Mall – University Ave intersection to our signal request list to study, please confirm. Also, if you would like to be notified of the Transportation Commission meeting where we present the list of requests and recommendations for further study (typically around November), please let me know how you prefer to be contacted.

Thank you,

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**From:** Callaway, Renee <ReCallaway@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 04, 2020 9:55 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Additions to Ped/Bike Enhancements for Campus Area

Jerry,

I had reached out to the UW to let them know we were doing our review of projects for the Ped/Bike Enhancements program and they had a few for additional consideration.

1. Dayton St at East Campus Mall – this is a busy crossing but will be busier when the SERF is completed. Possible location for an RRFB? Tabletop Intersection? It is slated to be done in fall 2020.
2. Park St and Spring St – A pedestrian was hit here crossing the south side of the intersection and the UW thinks it was someone rushing to catch the bus. They requested having crosswalks on both side of the intersection. I do see a lot of people crossing there – bus stop, students going from apartments to dorms, etc. RRFB?
3. Monroe St @ Randall – Also, a big student crossing area that has a continental crosswalk right now – RRFB?

They also mentioned tabletop crossing of Randall at Union South where the two continental crossings are located.

The UW also mentioned a signal at Univ Ave/Henry Mall as an addition to the traffic signal priority list or other improvement (I know you changed the signals a little to better accommodate that).

The contact for these should be [redacted]

**Renee Callaway**

Pedestrian Bicycle Administrator

*(she/her/hers)*

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## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Taylor Andrews [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 07, 2020 12:32 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Subject:** Re: South Point Rd and Woods-Mid Town Intersection

Hi Jerry,

Thank you for the prompt response. In regards to those two items...

1. That is good news. The stretch of road I'm referring to is that which was recently re-done with a boulevard and it looks like the base for the streetlights are there, but no posts and lights installed. Roughly the stretch of road between Watts and Sunny Spring Drive. Good to know it should be wrapped up soon.

Related - are there timelines for that south-most portion of South Point to get completed? The northeast corner of the intersection with Valley View is unfinished and there are pretty nasty potholes that form in the gravel there - along with lots of gravel strewn in the road.

2. Yes, it would be good to get this on the list of intersections to review, and notification of any planned public meeting or discussion would be great.

For some additional context, a lot of Epic traffic (myself included :) will go north on Woods road to either turn onto Mid Town or go straight into the Hawks landing neighborhood. The road (in both directions) is about 2.5 cars wide to make a left, right, or go straight, which means people going straight sometimes go in either "lane" to do so. This confuses oncoming traffic and sometimes causes an abrupt merge if two people go straight, side-by-side. I know crosswalks were recently added there, but I'm actually a bit surprised that there haven't been more accidents here, and that this wasn't already on the list for review.

Thanks!

On Tue, Jan 7, 2020 at 12:02 PM Schippa, Jerry <[JSchippa@cityofmadison.com](mailto:JSchippa@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Taylor,

Recently street lights were added to South Point Road as part of the reconstruction project. These street lights are expected to be functioning very soon, we are only waiting on Alliant to provide power. There is a stretch of South Point Road that has yet to be developed, and at that time the final segment will receive continuous street lighting to match the rest of the street.

Currently there are no plans to install a traffic signal at Mid Town & Woods, but this location can be put on our annual list of intersections to review (Traffic Signal Priority List). This process begins each fall and lasts until the following spring, followed usually by construction of the traffic signals that summer. Part of this process involves a few meetings with the Transportation Commission (TC) where at the first meeting the public is welcomed to join and make any public statements for or against installing a traffic signal. Following that meeting, our department conducts more in depth studies on intersections as determined by the TC and a final recommendation is made around this time of the year.



If you would like us to add Mid Town – Woods to this list please confirm this. If you would like to be notified of the TC meeting once the date and time have been established, also let me know. Otherwise this correspondence will be submitted as your request (if you request us to study this intersection).

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments regarding these issues.

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#### General Information

Name: Taylor Andrews

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Date: 01/07/2020

Category: General feedback

Type of request: Request Information

Message: Hello - I have two separate questions about roads that may be split in terms of jurisdiction. Please help me re-route if necessary. 1. When will the streetlights be installed and active on South Point Rd north of Valley View? Traffic increase and shortened daylight makes that area more dangerous without being well lit. 2. Are there plans to improve signage or add a traffic light to the Woods/Mid Town Rd intersection? That is really busy during rush hour and lane(s) are not marked for turns.

The requester can be contacted



## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 7:39 AM  
**To:**   
**Cc:** Lemmer, Lindsay; Heitz, Graham  
**Subject:** FW: Milwaukee St and Thompson Dr

Ms. Gresens,

We received your request to study the intersection of Milwaukee – N. Thompson for a possible traffic signal and will add it to our list of intersections this year to study.

Each year our department collects and records all requests for traffic signal installations and performs initial studies prior to bringing the Traffic Signal Priority List (TSPL) to the Transportation Commission. This meeting with the Transportation Commission is also open to the public and is an opportunity for people to request additional intersections or speak in favor (or opposition) to possibly installing a traffic signal at a location.

At the meeting, the Transportation Commission will consider our initial studies and recommendations for further study, and also public input (oral or written).

Currently this meeting with the Transportation Commission has not been scheduled, would you like to be notified once this meeting date has been finalized? You do not need to be present at this meeting to have us study Thompson – Milwaukee if you do not wish to be, this correspondence will be submitted to the Commission on your behalf as record of the request.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this intersection, or this process, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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**From:** Mohr, Thomas <TMohr@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 28, 2020 10:24 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Milwaukee St and Thompson Dr

Jerry,

See email below for adding Milwaukee/Thompson to TSP list.

Thanks,  
Tom

**From:** Lemmer, Lindsay <[district3@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district3@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 27, 2020 3:13 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] Mohr, Thomas <[TMohr@cityofmadison.com](mailto:TMohr@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Milwaukee St and Thompson Dr

Hi Priscilla,

Thank you for reaching out. By way of this message I'm asking Traffic Engineering to review the intersection of Milwaukee Street and Thompson Drive for traffic signals or a circle.

Please also note that there are traffic calming measures being implemented on Milwaukee Street this fall between Stoughton Road and Thompson Drive, including lowering the speed limit to 25 from 35 mph.

Thank you,

Lindsay

Lindsay Lemmer  
District 3 Alder  
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**From:** Pris Gresens [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 26, 2020 1:38 PM  
**To:** Lemmer, Lindsay  
**Subject:** Milwaukee St and Thompson Dr

Caution: This email was sent from an external source. Avoid unknown links and attachments.

Hello,

Ever since the development arose between the interstate and Sprecher Road, the traffic on Milwaukee Street has increased. This has made it increasingly difficult to cross Milwaukee St at Thompson Drive. There are times (especially around the 3:30 to 5:30 time range) it takes approximately 5 to 10 minutes to get across.

This intersection is becoming more and more dangerous. On top of the amount of traffic, the cars are flying by. I am truly surprised that there have not been more accidents there.

Can you please have someone do a safety study and possibly propose traffic signals at that intersection?

I have talked with neighbors at both my mom's house (601 Merryturn Rd) and mine (5029 Piccadilly Dr) and they all agree.

Thanks for listening to me

Priscilla Gresens



## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Mohr, Thomas  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2019 12:41 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Subject:** FW: Report a Traffic Enforcement Concern

Signal request below.

**From:** Santilli, Milisa [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2019 9:03 AM  
**To:** Wipperfurth, Richard <RWipperfurth@cityofmadison.com>; Chalecki, Lori <LChalecki@cityofmadison.com>  
**Cc:** Deering, Cindy <CDeering@cityofmadison.com>; Mohr, Thomas <TMohr@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Report a Traffic Enforcement Concern

General Traffic Concern

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 15, 2019 10:50 PM  
**To:** Santilli, Milisa <MSantilli@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Report a Traffic Enforcement Concern

General Information

Name: Jussi Snellman  
Address: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]  
Date: 11/15/2019

Category: Traffic Enforcement Concern

Type of Violation: Reckless Driving

Day of Violation: M-F

Time of Violation: 3:40 pm

Location: Mineral point exit from James Madison Memorial high school

Message: To traffic engineering The exit from James Madison Memorial high school onto mineral point Road desperately needs a traffic signal. The kids who exit when school gets out are really bad at navigating traffic, as many of them are new drivers, and there are many close calls. It could flash yellow at all times other than when school gets out. Don't ticket the kids. Put in a traffic light!!!

The requester can be contacted

Thank you.

Milisa Santilli  
Traffic PRT  
[msantilli@cityofmadison.com](mailto:msantilli@cityofmadison.com)



## Schippa, Jerry

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**From:** Amy Marsman [redacted]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 21, 2020 8:04 AM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry  
**Subject:** Re: 2019 Traffic Signal Priority List at Transportation Commission

Dear Mr. Schippa,

Thank you so much for your response. We would like to add the Northport & School Road intersection to the 2020 review. I will solicit a bit of input from the rest of our board on the specific issues and send that along so you'll have both correspondences. It would be helpful to know about the fall meeting, although I don't know if I will be able to make it, I can share with the neighborhood association.

The other intersection was Packers and Schlimgen; thank you for clarifying. There are street lamps but somehow it still seems poorly lit for pedestrians crossing Packers.

Sincerely,  
Amy

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**From:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 17, 2020 8:24 AM  
**To:** 'Amy Marsman' [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 2019 Traffic Signal Priority List at Transportation Commission

Ms. Marsman,

Thank you for reaching out to us. Our 2019 Traffic Signal Priority List as well as staff recommendations has been finalized and approved by the Transportation Commission (T.C.), therefore any studies would have to wait until the 2020 cycle. Attached is the final 2019 list. The last year this intersection was studied was 2017, and in the most recent list it ranks #24, however it did not meet any of the minimum warrants.

If you would like, we can add Northport & School to our 2020 list of intersections to review upon your request. We will save this correspondence as your request for study, however, you could also opt into being notified of the meeting next fall with the Transportation Commission. During that meeting, any correspondence will be submitted to the Commission, and any public comments requesting a signal study be performed (or opposition) will be heard.

It would also be helpful in steering our studies to outline the issues you experience with this intersection and any specific time of the day. For example: finding gaps to make a left turn off School, crossing as a pedestrian, long delays on the side street, etc.

Please confirm that you would like to see this intersection on the list for next fall, and if you would like to be notified of the first T.C. meeting.

Regarding the lighting at the intersection near Ale Asylum. Can you confirm that the intersection in question is International & Packers? There is also Schlimgen – Packers nearby, and I don't want to assume you mean one or the other.

Thank you,

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**From:** Amy Marsman [redacted]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 14, 2020 3:47 PM  
**To:** Schippa, Jerry <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Re: 2019 Traffic Signal Priority List at Transportation Commission

Dear Mr. Schippa,

Hello and thank you for your communication on the traffic signal priorities. I am on the board of our neighborhood association - Lerdaahl Park Neighborhood Association (LPNA) - and we had our winter meeting recently; and discussed the intersections. We were not able to attend the 12/11/19 meeting, and I understand if decisions have already been made. However, we did review the documents and would like to provide LPNA input.

As residents of the neighborhood, we know how necessary a traffic light at Northport and School Road is for safety, especially given the location of Mendota Elementary. Also the Packers Ave crossing near the Ale Asylum is quite dangerous and poorly lit.

Thank you for your consideration of our neighborhood feedback!

Sincerely,  
Amy Marsman

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**From:** Lerdaahl Park Neighborhood [redacted]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 31, 2020 3:56 PM  
**To:** Amy Marsman [redacted]; Tricia Johnson [redacted]  
**Subject:** Fwd: 2019 Traffic Signal Priority List at Transportation Commission

~ Andrea

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Schippa, Jerry" <JSchippa@cityofmadison.com>  
**Date:** December 6, 2019 at 1:33:27 PM CST  
**To:** Alice Howard [redacted], Katy Farrens [redacted], Barry Hayes [redacted], Allied Dunns Marsh - Alice Howard [redacted], Katy Farrens [redacted], Appalachian Ridge Neighborhood Association - Ruth G Johnson [redacted], Appalachian Ridge Neighborhood Association - Micaela Fowler [redacted], Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association - James Cortada [redacted], Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association - James Cortada [redacted], Arbor Hills Neighborhood