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Stan Rickard, Public Works Director

From:

John Johnson, Technical Services Supervisor

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Subject:

Madison Meadows Pedestrian Crossings and Pedestrian Path Installation

Attached is a diagram showing the location of two new proposed pedestrian crossings and the proposed pedestrian path along Madison. The first pedestrian crossing will be at the west leg of the intersection of Edgewood and Madison. This location was chosen to meet with the existing pedestrian path that meanders through the park. The Park District will be adding an extension to the existing path westerly to the new marked crossing.

The second marked crossing will be on the west leg of the intersection of Highland and Madison. This was chosen to serve the playground. The east leg was not suitable because vehicles backing out of the parking lot could back into the crosswalk. At both locations I am recommending installing a "No Parking" zone to keep vehicles from encroaching on the crosswalk. The "No Parking" zone will provide the necessary sight distance for the pedestrians to see oncoming vehicles and also provide added sight distance for the driver.

I would recommend installing the two pedestrian crossings prior to the path installation to increase safety and add a "Playground" sign for westbound Madison to increase awareness of the playground in this area.

cc:

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