

March 27, 1980

Ms. Doris C. Tait
Foster-Powell Neighborhood Assn.
3829 S.E. 76th Ave.
Portland, Oregon 97206

Dear Ms. Tait,


Foster-Powell Neighborhood Report #80-099 identified a need for 4-way stops on Center Street adjacent to Essex Park.

We have reviewed traffic conditions on Center Street in the vicinity of both Essex Park and Kerr Park.

During the period 1976 through October 1979, there were 5 accidents reported on Center at 66th, 2 at 67th, 3 at 76th and one at 79th. Twenty-four hour traffic counts taken in October 1979 indicated 550 vehicles on Center, west of 67th; 1,275 on 76th, north of Center; 500 on Center, west of 79th; and 765 on 79th, north of Center.

As a result of this investigation we have installed 4-way stops on Center at 67th Avenue (Kerr Park) and 79th Avenue (Essex Park). We will continue to monitor the intersections of Center/66th and Center/76th to determine if traffic conditions change sufficiently to warrant stop signs. The four-way stops at 67th and 79th may improve conditions at these adjacent intersections.

Sincerely,


Mario J. Martini
Senior Traffic Engineer

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cc: Patti Jacobsen, ONA

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December 29, 1979

Ms. Betty Ream, Secretary
Foster-Powell Neighborhood Association
5815 S.E. Rhone Street
Portland, Oregon 97206

Dear Ms. Ream:

Your letter of November 20, 1979 indicated that the Foster-Powell N.A. had voted to request a pedestrian push-button signal on S.E. Holgate at the 78th Avenue school crossing for Marysville School.

This crossing ranks 19th on our list of Southeast Portland school crossings and 38th on the city-wide listing. Each crossing is ranked by priority based upon traffic conditions. Each year several locations are proposed for signalization based upon their ranking. At the City's current rate of funding pedestrian actuated signals (average of 4 per year) it would appear that signalization of this crossing is several years away.

Some pedestrian signals have been installed ahead of others on the city-wide list through Housing and Community Development funds. Unfortunately, this location is not in an approved HCD area at this time.

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We are willing to install overhead interior illuminated flashing school crossing signs at this location and have so indicated to Ms. Betty R. Poulen and Mr. John Spathas, Portland Public Schools. The installation of flashers would not change the ranking of this crossing on the city-wide list.

We will defer action on installing a flasher until the Foster-Powell N.A., Marysville P.T.A. and Marysville School Advisory Committee have had a chance to respond to this proposal.

Sincerely,

M. J. Martini
Sr. Traffic Engineer

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