

Minutes of the Streets, Alleys, and Traffic Commission

of the City of La Salle

Monday, March 2, 2026

Immediately Following the Finance Committee Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

Chairman Demes called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, and Crane

Others Present: Finance Director John Duncan, Economic Development Director Curt Bedei, Fire Chief Jerry Janick, City Engineer Brian Brown, Police Chief Jason Stubler, and Attorney James McPhedran

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Herndon to accept and place on file minutes of the Streets, Alleys, and Traffic Commission meeting held August 18, 2025. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATION

Superintendent of La Salle Elementary School District 122 Brian DeBernardi addressed the Committee regarding the possibility of regarding adding a stop or yield sign for southbound traffic at the intersection of Illinois Street and Lindberg Road. He explained that this location had previously been discussed as an assumed stop.

Alderman Lavieri indicated there had been previous discussion of this location, but no action taken. Police Chief Jason Stubler indicated cars at a T intersection are automatically required to yield to the traffic on the main thoroughfare.

City Engineer Brian Brown indicated visibility by southbound traffic at the intersection is clear and cars often don't slow, possibly creating a hazard near Lincoln Junior High School, especially to get to the alley which is slightly offset from Illinois Street. Chief Stubler indicated there have been no crashes at that intersection since January 1, 2023. He stated stop signs should never be used for speed control; however, there are certain exceptions

including where there is a conflict with the most established pedestrian crossing activity or school walking routes.

There was discussion about the merits of a yield sign vs a stop sign. Chief Stubler indicated he has no preference as he can enforce yielding or stopping now with no sign.

Moved by Alderman Jeppson and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to recommend to the City Council to add a stop for southbound traffic at the intersection of Illinois Street and Lindberg Road and related matters.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Aldermen Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAYS: NONE **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0-0

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COMMENTS

There were no other questions or comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Crane and seconded by Alderman Herndon to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

Chairman Demes adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.



Liz Bishop
City Clerk