

SOUTH JORDAN CITY
CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

April 7, 2015

Present: Mayor David Alvord, Councilman Steve Barnes, Councilman Chuck Newton, Councilman Chris Rogers, Councilman Mark Seethaler, Councilman Don Shelton, COS Paul Cunningham, City Attorney Ryan Loose, Development Services Director Brad Klavano, Administrative Services Director Dustin Lewis, Strategic Services Director Don Tingey, IS Director Jon Day, City Council Secretary MaryAnn Dean

STUDY SESSION – 4:00 PM

Mayor Alvord welcomed everyone present.

A. Invocation: *By Councilman Chris Rogers*

Councilman Rogers offered the invocation.

B. Staff Item: City Plaza – Fountain Repairs. *(By Dustin Lewis & Colby Hill)*

Administrative Services Director Lewis reviewed the history of the city plaza – fountain. It was built in 2005. It started leaking in 2007. Even if they determine where the leak is located, it may require them to dig up the fountain to fix. They anticipate it would be very expensive.

Councilman Rogers asked if it would be less expensive to build another fountain? Mr. Lewis said staff would like to pursue other options. Given the location of the plaza, it is at the back or side door of the other buildings, rather than at the entrance. It makes it so the use is not functional.

Strategic Services Director Tingey indicated that the plaza is really hot in the summer because there is so much hard scape. Because it is so hot, the trees don't survive.

Mr. Lewis reviewed some conceptual ideas for the plaza. He indicated that the County is interested in doing some outdoor programs. Any plans they have would need to be coordinated with the County.

Mr. Tingey reviewed some traffic concerns, plans for shared parking, road realignments, and improved access within the entire area.

Mr. Lewis indicated that they had to close the fountain last August because they were leaking so much water. He said they were only able to have 3 ½ weeks of ice skating in January. It was noted that last winter was warmer than normal.

Associate Public Works Director Hill indicated that the new ice skating rink is going out to bid. They will be seeking answers like if there is a way to cover it to make it cooler in the summer.

Given the drought this year, staff feels the leaking fountain isn't a good use of water. They have explored other concepts for the area. Mr. Tingey said one concept was an open area with an amphitheater for the library. Adding grass and greenspace will cool the area down.

Mr. Lewis said they need direction to either keep what is there, or find a way to replace it. Councilman Newton said they already decided to do away with the ice skating rink and that is why they allocated \$350,000. Mr. Tingey said that will cover the design of the new rink.

Councilman Barnes asked if they want to dismantle it this year, or do they want to find a way to use the ice rink if the weather is cold enough? Mr. Lewis said they could use the ice rink, or they could take it down and grass the area and make it usable open space.

Councilman Newton said they need to figure out their timeline first. Mr. Lewis reiterated that they want to explore a partnership with the County.

Councilman Seethaler asked what do they do in the meantime to make the area less of a hazard if they don't turn the water back on for the fountain? He said he has no interest in continuing to use the area as a fountain or an ice rink. However, he does not want the area to look run down.

Mr. Lewis noted that when there was no water in it last year, the nozzles were broken.

Mayor Alvord said he would like to have a better understanding of the cost to repair this ice rink versus the total cost of a new ice rink across the street. Councilman Newton said the pipes are encased in concrete. You would have to dig up the fountain in order to fix it.

Councilman Rogers said he does not think it's feasible to operate this as an ice rink or a fountain. He likes the idea of doing something with the area, other than just yellow tape, in the short term. He would also like to explore ideas in the long term, with no commitment at this time.

Councilman Barnes asked if repair work is needed to use it as an ice rink? Mr. Lewis said right now, it can run as an ice rink. Councilman Rogers asked if it will cause more damage as the water melts? Mr. Lewis said he does not know. Mr. Tingey said there is a crack in the pipe, they believe the crack is in the ice rink area. Councilman Barnes said he is okay to keep people out of the area in the summer and operate the ice rink in the winter. Councilman Rogers said he is also okay with the ice rink, if it does not cause further damage and expense. Mr. Lewis said he doesn't think the damage would be significant. He said there is a demand for the ice skating, but it does not accommodate large groups well.

Mayor Alvord asked about the costs for someone to look into the cause of the leak further. Mr. Lewis said it is \$400 an hour. They are not sure if it would take an hour or a week to locate the leak. Mayor Alvord suggested they give the company 10 hours to see what they can find. It may be determined that the problem is too hard to fix. Councilman Rogers said he is okay allocating \$5000 to look into getting it fixed. Mayor Alvord said he does not feel he has all of the numbers to make a good decision on this. Councilman Barnes agreed that he would prefer to spend a few thousand dollars to see if it can be fixed.

Mayor Alvord said he is not opposed to the proposals, but he is trying to consider the tax payers money that went into the ice rink only 10 years ago. Councilman Newton said he would rather put the costs into engineering for the new ice rink to prevent the problems they have had with this ice rink.

Councilman Shelton said he likes the conceptual plan with the amphitheater. He likes the idea of keeping the area workable in the meantime. Councilman Rogers said he is not a fan of how the rink currently looks.

Mr. Hill said one option they can consider at the new ice rink is artificial ice. The City Council expressed support for looking into that option.

Mayor Alvord said the consensus is to get rid of the fountain/ice rink and make it as smooth a transition as possible.

C. Staff Item: Crossing Guard Process/Safe Walking Routes. *(By Lt. Jason Knight)*

Lt. Knight reviewed the process of developing a Student Neighborhood Access Program (SNAP) plan (Attachment A). He said it starts with the school community council. They started the process earlier to help the city with their budgeting process, and they included the police in the process this year. The traffic control devices and crosswalks are analyzed by the Engineering Department. The police considers if crossing guards are warranted.

Lt. Knight said there are some unique situations. He noted a school located in Herriman where much of the school's population comes from South Jordan. They are just starting their snap plan, and they may have to amend the budget to accommodate the needs at that school.

Lt. Knight noted that the standards are uniformly applied. It does not matter if the roads are state or city owned. Development Services Director Klavano said everyone in the state has adopted the MUTCD standard.

Lt. Knight noted that the school and parents need to identify the areas of concern. He said controlled intersections are hard to justify a crossing guard because there are controls in place for the children. It is an exception to that standard. Mr. Klavano said they have worked closer with the school district in formulating the snap plans. He said it was better this year, but it is not perfect yet. It is a work in progress.

Councilman Newton recommended they discuss this issue with the School District. Mr. Tingey will contact the School District and set up a meeting.

Police Chief Shepherd updated the City Council on the crossing guard situation at the Mt. View Corridor (Attachment B). They have been in the area for about a month. In the morning, they average 2 people crossing. In the afternoon, 20-22 people cross the area. They have utilized both animal control officers and officer Tingey. He said they are having a difficult time hiring a

crossing guard and having enough subs for the area. They discussed ways to advertise the need for crossing guards both through the school and on the city's website, Facebook page, Twitter, etc. He said the hours are a difficulty in getting this position hired as well as the convenience of this location.

Councilman Newton suggested they add a part time position to do the crossing guard, work in the police department in the day, and then do crossing guard duty again the afternoon. It may be easier to hire with those hours. It was also noted that crossing guard pay is on par with the market. COS Cunningham said staff will consider the staff options internally.

Police Chief Shepherd said they are having the same amount of kids crossing on 11800 South. It is important to follow the snap plan.

Police Chief Shepherd said since they have increased enforcement in the Mt. View Corridor area, they have given 84 citations in the last month regarding speed and red light violations. He said that has improved, and he hopes the message is getting out there.

Mayor Alvord said there are double the accidents on Redwood Road and 10600 South than on Mountain View Corridor. Police Chief Shepherd said there are a lot more pedestrians that cross at Redwood Road and 10600 South as well.

D. Dinner Break

The City Council took a dinner break.

E. Staff Item: Survey of Wasatch Front Pet Limits. (*COS Cunningham*)

COS Cunningham said staff was asked to address the possibility of allowing 3 dogs. He said residents used to be able to have 3 dogs, but it was done with a conditional use permit (CUP). One problem with that is that the CUP runs with the land. In 2010, animals were put in the animal code, not the zoning code. He noted that pigeons and chickens are not considered pets; that is a zoning issue. He reviewed what the surrounding cities are doing regarding pet limits (Attachment C).

COS Cunningham said there are some residents that want the rules eliminated regarding household pets. He said those people would rather have the city deal with the owners that don't deal with their pets well. He said staff deals with animal issues on a complaint driven basis. Staff is not in favor of opening up the issue, they are okay with the code as written. There was no consensus from the City Council to address the issue further.

ADJOURNMENT

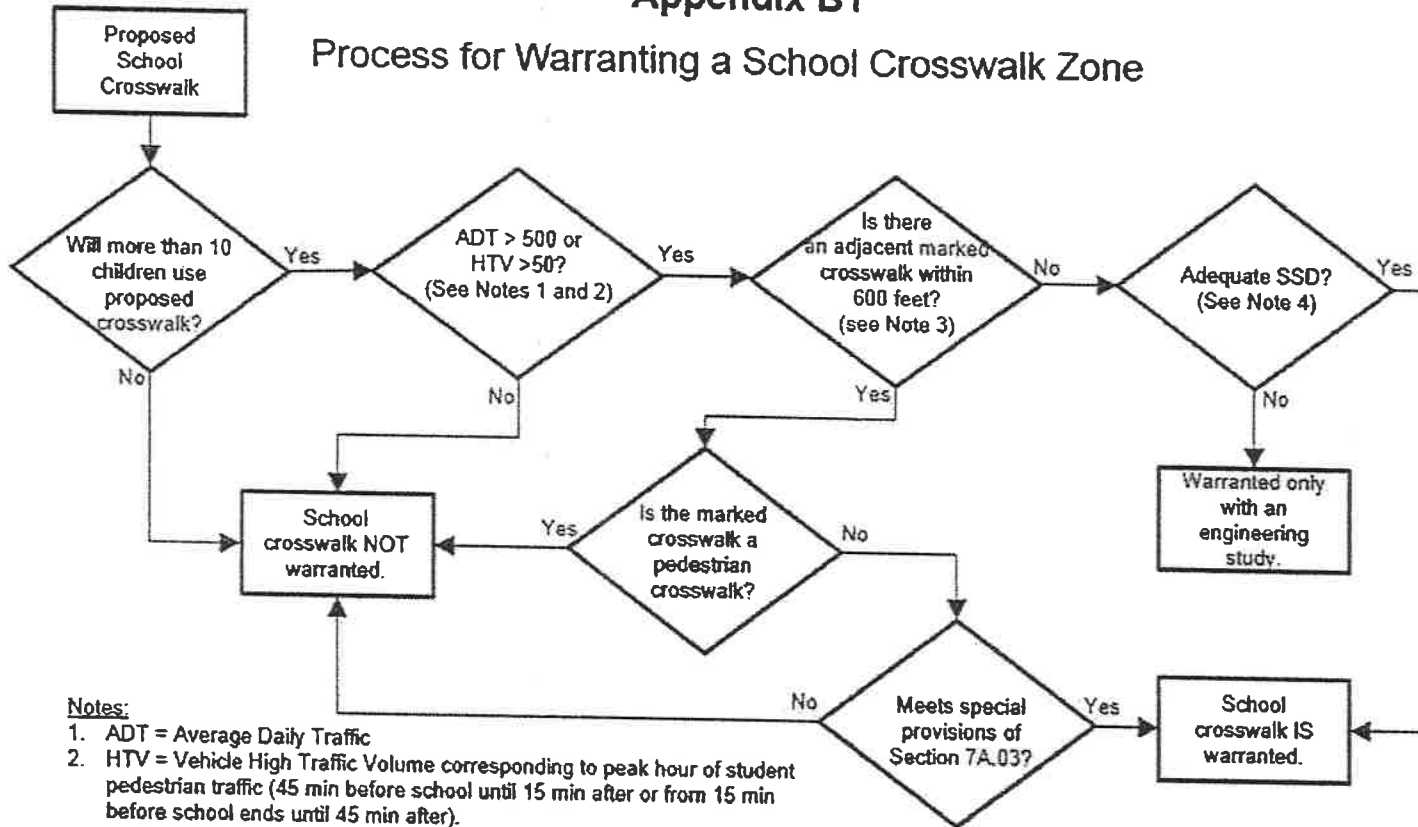
The City Council adjourned the study session at 5:49 pm

This is a true and correct copy of the April 7, 2015 Council Study meeting minutes, which were approved on April 21, 2015.

Anna M. West
South Jordan City Recorder

Appendix B1

Process for Warranting a School Crosswalk Zone



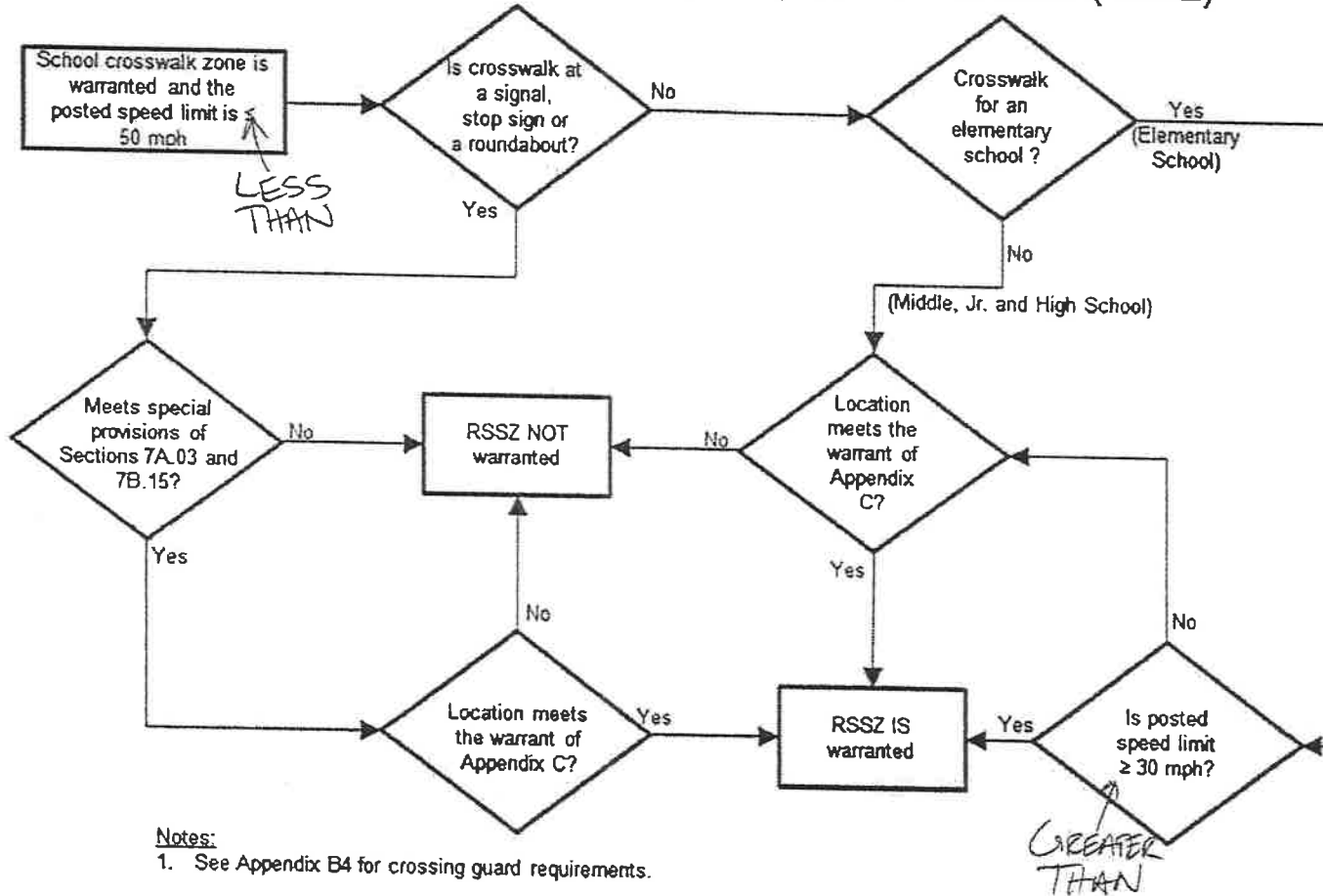
Notes:

1. ADT = Average Daily Traffic
2. HTV = Vehicle High Traffic Volume corresponding to peak hour of student pedestrian traffic (45 min before school until 15 min after or from 15 min before school ends until 45 min after).
3. Excluding the intersection under investigation. See Section 7A.03 for special provisions of secondary school crosswalk..
4. SSD = Stopping Site Distance
5. Only one school crosswalk should cross the major roadway.

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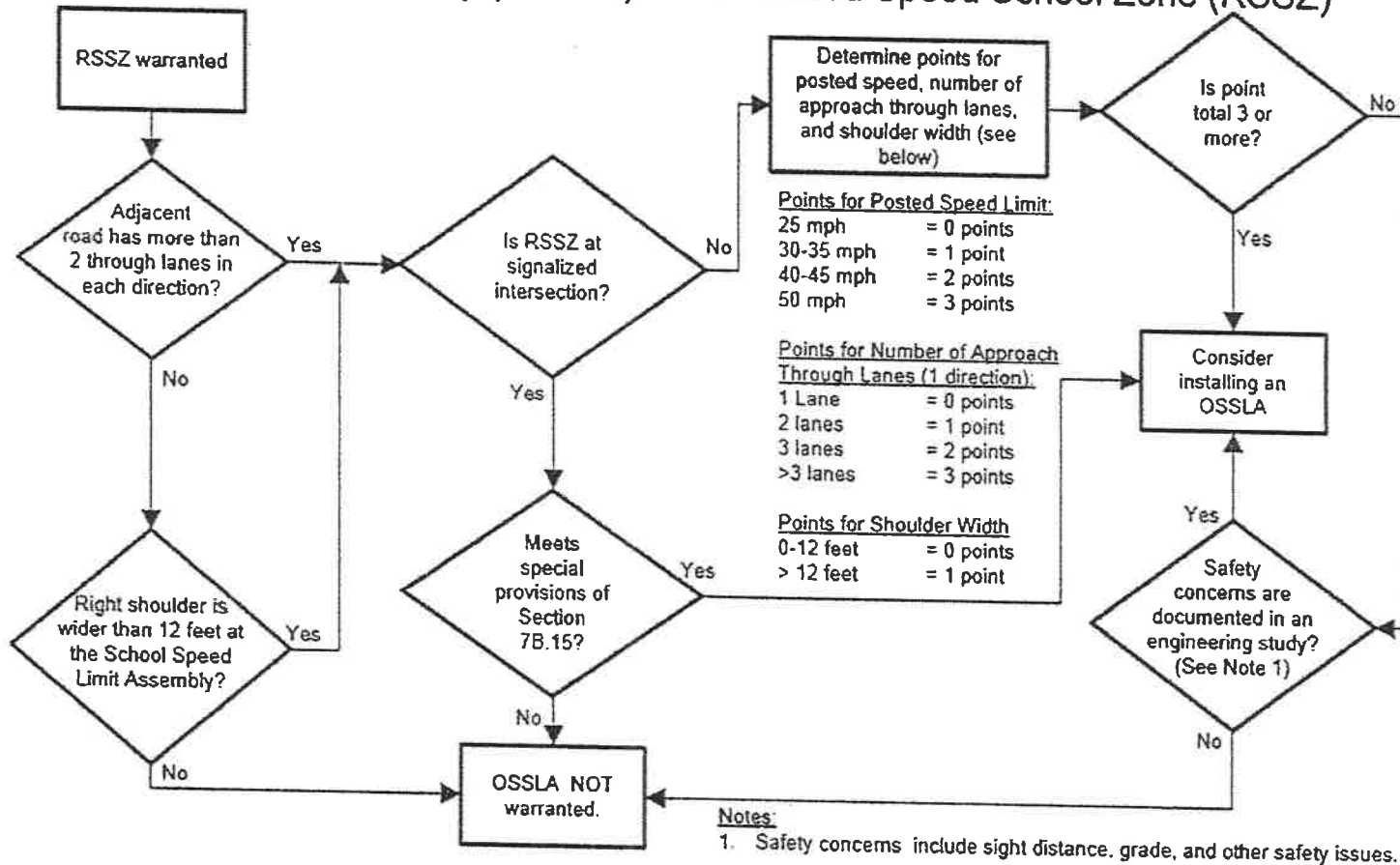
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Process for Warranting a Reduced Speed School Zone (RSSZ)



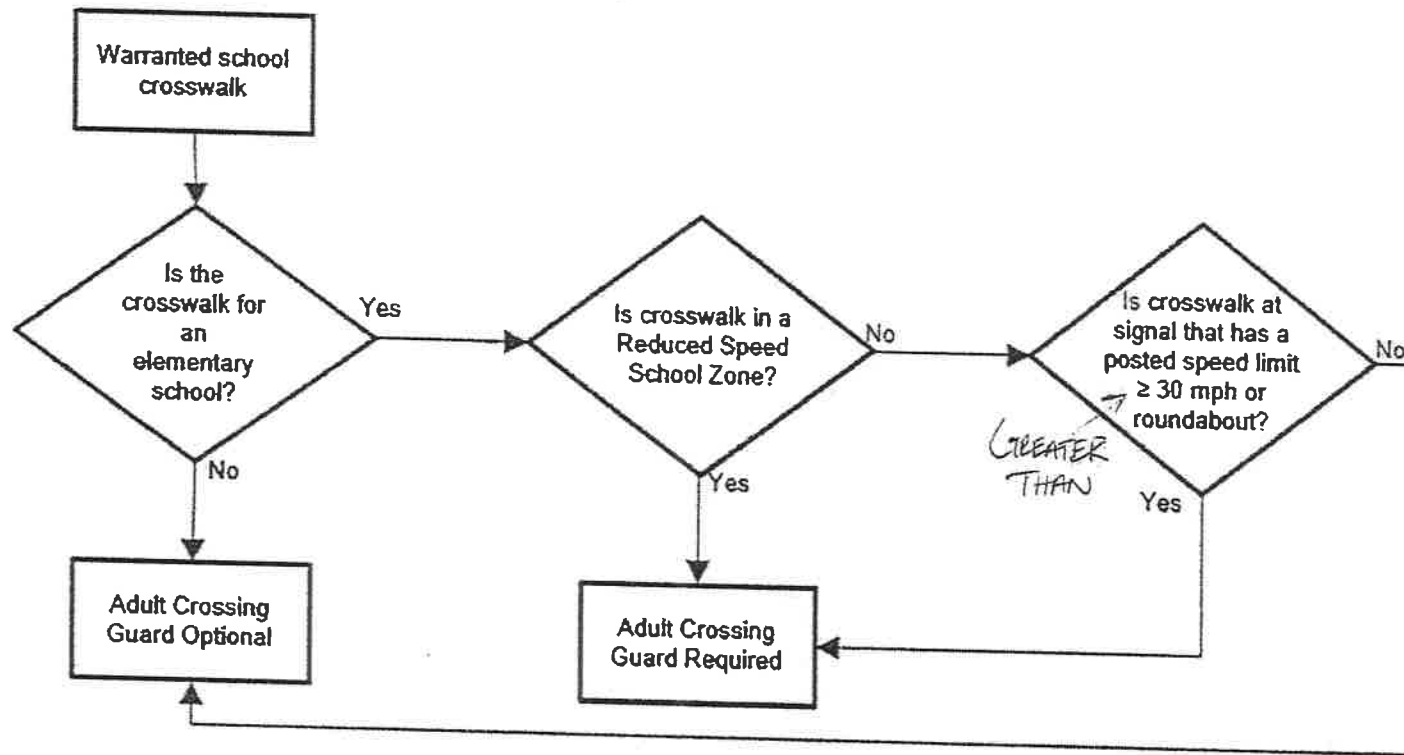
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Requirements for Consideration of Overhead School Speed Limit Assembly (OSSLA) in a Reduced Speed School Zone (RSSZ)



Appendix B4

Requirements for Adult Crossing Guards at School Crosswalks



Attachment B
4-7-15 Study
Session

Mount View Corridor crossing at Daybreak Parkway

	Date	AM	PM	Guard/Officer/AC
Tue	3/10/2015	Notified	27	Officer Tingey
Wed	3/11/2015	N/A	N/A	Unavailable, Accreditation review
Thur	3/12/2015	0	9	Officer Tingey, Officer Tingey
Fri	3/13/2015	0	N/A	Officer Tingey, PM unavailable /call load
Mon	3/16/2015	2	18	Officer Tingey, Officer Tingey
Tue	3/17/2015	7	28	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Wed	3/18/2015	7	20	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Thu	3/19/2015	6	19	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Fri	3/20/2015	2	20	Officer Tingey, Jill Rasmussen
Mon	3/23/2015	1	25	officer Tingey, Parker Kuehn
Tue	3/24/2015	5	17	Pam Rasmussen, Officer Tingey
Wed	3/25/2015	5	24	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Thu	3/26/2015	N/A	31	AM Unavailable due to call load, Tingey
Fri	3/27/2015	0	2	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Mon	3/30/2015	N/A	23	Pam Rasmussen, Jill Rasmussen
Tue	3/31/2015	0	31	Parker Kuehn, Pam Rasmussen
Wed	4/1/2015	0	13	Officer Tingey, Pam Rasmussen
Thu	4/2/2015	*		spring Break
Fri	4/3/2015	*		spring Break
Mon	4/6/2015	*		spring Break
Tue	4/7/2015	0	25	
Wed	4/8/2015			
Thu	4/9/2015			
Fri	4/10/2015			
Mon	4/13/2015			
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	4/20/2015			
	4/21/2015			
	4/22/2015			

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Students contacted and educated, attend either Copper Mountain Middle School (Herriman) Early Light Academy

Vast majority are middle school students coming to and from the Herriman middle school.

Times of observations
AM Mon-Thur 7:30-8:30AM; Fri 9:30-10:15
PM 2:40-3:30PM

Pam Rasmussen - Animal Control officer
Jill Rasmussen - Animal Control officer
Kevin Tingey - Police officer
Parker Kuehn - Crossing Guard sub
other subs taken due to Spring Break, and crossing guard absences

Early Light is on Spring Break

4 Total crossing applications
Interviews Monday 4/6/15 1 response available 2 months
Shared job posting with elementary schools

It has also been observed that there appears to be a similar number of school age kids crossing Mountian View Corridor @ 11800 South

Programable signal heads installed 4/3/15 for Westbound traffic

Pedestrian signal sign installed above button with stick person and direction arrow

Increased traffic enforcement of Parkway and Mountainview Corridor

All pedestrians crossing on south side of Parkway and Mountainview Corridor

We are currently reviewing Hawthorn Academy SNAP (School Neighborhood Access Program)

Pet Limit Laws Worksheet

Government Entity	Limits?	Exceptions?	Specific Language
West Jordan City	Yes	Yes	No more than four (4) adult dogs at any one residence or premises unless otherwise allowed by this chapter. Exceptions include commercial facilities, etc.
Draper	Yes	No	No more than three (3) dogs and/or three (3) cats may be maintained at any one residence within the city.
Sandy	Yes	Yes	Allows six (6) small animals, but only two (2) dogs. Exceptions include a hobby permit, which allows for up to five (5) dogs.
Cottonwood Heights	Yes	Yes	No more than three (3) of any species. Exceptions include a hobby permit that will exempt up to eight (8) within certain zoned areas.
West Valley City	Yes	No	No more than two (2) dogs and two (2) cats per household and a total aggregate of four animals per household that includes some agricultural animals.
Salt Lake City	No	N/A	No limits on dogs or cats per household provided they are properly licensed and cared for.
Salt Lake County	Yes	Yes	No more than two (2) dogs unless a hobby or fancier permit is obtained.
Taylorsville	Yes	Yes	No more than two (2) dogs unless a hobby or fancier permit is obtained.
Riverton	Yes	Yes	No more than three (3) dogs except as otherwise allowed in the chapter. Exceptions include commercial facilities, etc.
South Salt Lake	Yes	Yes	No more than two (2) dogs and three (3) cats are allowed at one premises at one time except as provided in the chapter. Exceptions include commercial facilities, etc.
Holladay	No	N/A	There is no limits on dogs, but there are ownership of ferrets are limited to two (2).
Midvale	No	N/A	There is no limits on dogs, but there are ownership of ferrets are limited to two (2).
Murray	No	N/A	No limits on dogs or cats per household provided they are properly licensed and cared for.
Bountiful	Yes	Yes	No more than two (2) dogs or cats without obtaining a kennel permit.
Orem	Yes	Yes	No more than two (2) dogs or cats except for commercial facilities.
Lehi	Yes	No	Not more than two (2) dog licenses shall be issued per household.