



To: Reid Foltyniewicz, Chairperson
From: Matthew Lew, PE, Civil Engineer
Through: Carl S. Goldsmith, Director of Public Works
Date: May 5, 2014
Subject: May 2014 Meeting Item 3 of 3—Loy St. and Elizabeth St. Crosswalk

In April 2014, Trustee Foltyniewicz received a resident request for a crosswalk in the area north of Park View School, particularly at Loy St. and Elizabeth St. She advised that one crosswalk exists in that area that is directly west of the school. Matthew Lew also received a resident request for a crosswalk at this location. The resident stated that cars block the crosswalk at this location for large school events even though a no parking sign is correctly displayed. Matthew Lew relayed this information to the Village police department.

The intersection is located outside the school speed zone on the west side of athletic fields. The following page contains an aerial image from the site. The below items are the results of a site investigation.

- Safety Issue
 - No crossing guard
 - No other existing safety measures
- Policy Issue (outside speed school zone)
- Maintenance Issue

If a crosswalk were established, the absence of a crossing guard may provide false security for children crossing at this location. Students have continuous sidewalk on the west side of Elizabeth to cross at the existing school crosswalk. Other measures besides a crosswalk would be recommended per support from the MUTCD since no stop control exists at this intersection. The MUTCD also discourages indiscriminate placement of crosswalks where no stop control exists (Section 3B-18). Since this crossing is located outside the school speed zone, crosswalk policy uniformity would be a concern. Only one crosswalk would exist at this intersection, and it would set precedent for other intersections outside a school zone. An additional crosswalk would also create a future maintenance issue for the Village. Based on these facts, a crosswalk is not recommended at this location.

In review, Village staff recommends no action for the above request.



