

MEMO

TO: Public Safety & Protection Committee

From: Chief Jamie Graff

Date: 11/20/23

Re: Crossing Guard at Lawe St. and Delanglade St.

At the end of every school year, Kaukauna PD staff evaluates every crossing guard point in the City and talks to the crossing guards about how many children are utilizing the crossing guards. We have crossing guards at the following locations:

- Fieldcrest Dr. & Ann St. 1 crossing guard
- Ann St. & Thelen Av.- 1 crossing guard
- Island St. & Elm St.- 2 crossing guards
- Lawe St. & Taylor St. 2 crossing guards
- Taylor & Desnoyer St.- 1 crossing guard
- Lawe St. & Delanglade St. 1 crossing guard

All of the above crossing guard locations are highly utilized by children except for the intersection of Lawe St. and Delanglade St. Over the past few years, we have noticed a significant decrease in children using this location. During the 2022-2023 school year, we had only about 3-4 students using this crossing. This school year, we have 1 child using this location before school and 3 after school. It should be noted these children are middle school aged children, and as the weather gets colder, we notice less children walking to school. There were many instances last winter where 0 kids used this crossing point.

The intersection of Lawe St. & Delanglade is a controlled intersection, which means there are stop lights and cross walk signals. This intersection is much like the intersection of Crooks Ave & 2nd St. where we do not have a crossing guard. At the start of this school year, the Kaukauna Area School District changed their bussing radius from 1 mile to 2 miles. Before making a change at this intersection, I wanted to see if the new bussing regulations affected the foot traffic at this intersection. With the new bussing regulations, we are seeing less children using this crossing point than the year before.

I am proposing we eliminate the crossing guard at Lawe St. & Delanglade St.