



Police Department

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Starin Road Considerations

Overview

This document is intended to provide an overview of the situation and potential solutions. Further details can be provided and researched as may be deemed necessary.

Starin Road is a significant, east-west, roadway through the heart of the UWW main campus. The roadway spans to the eastern and western borders of campus from Koshkonong Drive to Prairie Street. There are 10 north-south crosswalks within this section of roadway. To the north of Starin Road are all but one of the University's Residence Halls and to the south the vast majority of the academic facilities. This configuration requires, at a minimum, approximately 4000 resident students to cross Starin each instructional day. This does not include the additional commuter students, staff and faculty utilizing the northern parking lots of 4, 7, 9, 11, 18, and 19.

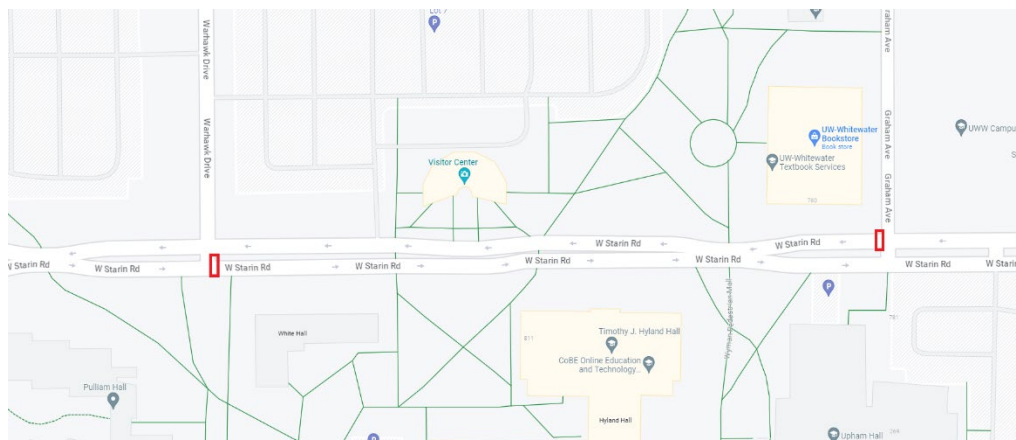
Current Situation

University Police Campus Service Officers (student CSOs) have been staffing the two main crosswalks on Starin Road for approximately 12 years. The crosswalk closest to the University Bookstore and the one adjacent to Pulliam Hall have been routinely staffed. These two points were chosen based on pedestrian patterns, vehicle flow, points of constriction and comingling were determined.

Unfortunately, over the past several years, University Police have found it increasingly difficult, if not impossible, to find individuals willing and able to work in a crossing guard position. This has resulted in only the crosswalk nearest the bookstore being staffed, again based on slightly higher pedestrian levels at that crossing. Having only one crosswalk staffed results in significantly reduced effectiveness in vehicle traffic movement, higher levels of vehicle to pedestrian interactions and greater likelihood of accident.

Suggestions, Considerations and Concerns

It is the recommendation of the University Police to close Starin Road between the intersections of Warhawk Drive/Starin Road and Graham Ave/Starin Road, creating a pedestrian



mall. A mall area would provide for the continuous safe movement of students, staff, faculty and community members throughout the heart of campus.

A secondary recommendation would be the installation of gates at the above intersections to restrict traffic during the highest pedestrian timeframes, approximately 7:30am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday. There are a number of potential gate types from manual to automatic, timed or remote operated. Installing gates, as pictured on the previous page, in the appropriate southern eastbound lane and northern westbound lane, would still allow for emergency vehicles to transit without gate operation when necessary. Snow removal could be facilitated with a remote control or personnel coordination.

A tertiary solution would be the use of Limited Term Employment (LTE). The hiring of 4-5 LTE Security Guard classification individuals specifically for crosswalk duties and other duties as assigned. This would be a costlier endeavor and may encounter the same personnel issues as described with the CSOs.

Final potential resolutions include continuing as is or complete discontinuation of crosswalk duties. Neither of these are considered practical and hold potentially negative outcomes.

Count Location: Starin Road
 Count Begin: 1/28/2024 12:00 PM
 Count End: 2/9/2024 4:00 PM

Daily Count and Speed Average											
Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Week Day Avg	Weekend Avg	Weekly Avg	Week Day 85% Avg Speed
0:00	19	35	43	41	54	50	57	38	54	43	25.6
1:00	9	11	15	20	33	32	57	18	45	25	27.3
2:00	5	11	12	18	26	19	14	14	17	15	27.1
3:00	17	23	21	21	15	12	13	19	13	17	29.8
4:00	33	32	41	35	32	24	16	35	20	30	27.8
5:00	57	57	61	49	44	24	15	54	20	44	27.0
6:00	75	81	85	87	74	31	16	80	24	64	26.9
7:00	189	205	187	191	156	63	23	186	43	145	25.8
8:00	209	194	221	178	206	73	48	202	61	161	24.1
9:00	232	252	245	226	157	104	65	222	85	183	23.2
10:00	219	213	231	198	195	120	99	211	110	182	23.4
11:00	162	170	213	186	233	160	121	193	141	178	24.4
12:00	252	262	269	267	262	199	104	262	152	231	23.6
13:00	231	244	235	269	270	201	167	250	184	231	24.0
14:00	213	214	213	232	243	201	182	223	192	214	25.5
15:00	282	292	300	310	144	202	198	266	200	247	24.2
16:00	299	320	317	331	229	272	190	299	231	280	24.0
17:00	282	312	276	298	214	181	222	276	202	255	24.8
18:00	222	249	265	260	150	213	188	229	201	221	24.9
19:00	196	224	202	181	152	157	180	191	169	185	25.4
20:00	163	174	164	154	126	130	152	156	141	152	25.9
21:00	98	111	135	139	88	119	103	114	111	113	26.4
22:00	75	85	76	101	83	102	70	84	86	85	26.6
23:00	54	46	51	56	61	42	44	54	43	51	26.1
Totals	3593	3817	3878	3848	3247	2731	2344	ADT	3351	AWDT	3677
% of Total	15.32%	16.27%	16.53%	16.40%	13.84%	11.64%	9.99%				

Vehicle Speed - Starin Road

