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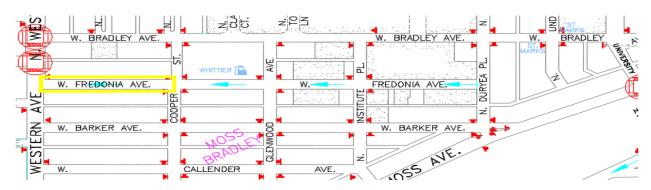
May 16, 2016

Dear Occupant or Owner:

The City of Peoria received a request from the Moss Bradley Residential Association and area residents to change the character of the 1700 and 1800 blocks of West Fredonia Avenue (Cooper to Western). Currently, the traffic on Fredonia is one-way, heading west in the 1400—1600 blocks (Duryea to Cooper), and then it changes to two-way for the 1700—1800 blocks.

During the Whittier School student morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up periods, this area becomes very congested. The one-way to two-way nature of Fredonia causes traffic concerns both in front of the school and in the surrounding neighborhood. The current system is inefficient, confusing, and potentially dangerous for drivers and pedestrians, due to the congestion and also traffic cutting through alleys and private driveways. The request to make the entire Fredonia corridor one-way westbound is seen as a measure to make the traffic flow safer, with less congestion in the neighborhood.

This concern was discussed at the March and April meetings of the City Transportation Commission. At the April Meeting, the Commission voted to recommend to City Council the conversion of the 1700 and 1800 blocks of West Fredonia Avenue to one-way, westbound. The request will be brought to the City Council for approval. This letter is to advise you that, if approved by City Council at their May 24, 2016, meeting **the City will permanently convert the 1700 and 1800 blocks of Fredonia into a one-way street heading west**. This will result in the entire Fredonia corridor, from Duryea to Western, to be regulated as a westbound one-way roadway. The map below shows the new traffic configuration. *There will be sign additions and adjustments to alert motorists of the change in traffic direction.* A City crew will install the signs within two weeks of City Council approval, weather permitting.



If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (309) 494-8823 or email me at nstoffer@peoriagov.org.

Sincerely,

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cc: Charles Grayeb, 2nd District Councilman City Council Members Transportation Commission

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