



JONESBORO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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MEMO

To: Otis Spriggs, MAPC
From: Marsha Guffey
Date: June 7, 2013
Re: SP-13-08

The Jonesboro Engineering Department and the Jonesboro MPO have been working together to develop an Access Management Policy for Jonesboro, to help alleviate and prevent congestion on major roadways, such as we now experience on Stadium, Caraway, Highland, and Johnson. Until the policy is adopted, MPO review of site plans is intended to provide a second set of eyes on potential traffic problems.

The plans for the St. Bernard's Assisted Living Facility show two points of ingress/egress to the facility. This is an appropriate number of drives for a medical facility, to better facilitate emergency response. However, if Parker Road is extended to Washington, as is currently being studied, this area will develop greatly. Parker Road will be used as a minor arterial/collector, and as such, it is not a good idea to fill it up with driveways that slow down the traffic. A case in point is Parker Road between South Culberhouse and Caraway, that has become clogged with driveways.

Exploration of sharing a second access point with the NEA Baptist Clinic is recommended.

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