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TRAFFIC AND PARKING STUDY
FOR
KINGDOM HALL
OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

2900 WEST BANGS AVENUE
BLOCK 26.01, LOT 33
TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE
MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

JANUARY 3, 2023

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INTRODUCTION

Dolan & Dean Consulting Engineers, LLC (D&D) has prepared this Traffic and Parking Study in support of the parking lot improvements of Block 26.01, Lot 33 in the Township of Neptune, Monmouth County. The site is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of West Bangs Avenue and Wayside Road.

Under the development program, the existing Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses site would be modified with 25 additional spaces, enhanced landscaping, and a solar panel canopy over the rear parking area. No changes are proposed to seating capacity of site. There is no anticipated increase in membership/attendance. However, a traffic study has been requested to assess possible impacts at the Wayside Road intersection with West Bangs Avenue.



EXISTING CONDITIONS

The site is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of West Bangs Avenue and Wayside Road as shown on appended Figure 1. As noted, the site is developed with a Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

EXISTING ROADWAY CONDITIONS

West Bangs Avenue is an urban major collector under Monmouth County jurisdiction with a general east-west orientation. One lane of travel is provided in each direction with a posted speed limit of 40 miles per hour. The street primarily serves single family residential type buildings in the site vicinity. Shoulders with varying width are provided but sidewalk is not.

Wayside Road is an urban major collector under municipal jurisdiction with a general north-south orientation. One lane of travel is provided in each direction with a posted speed limit of 25 miles per hour. The street primarily serves single family residential type buildings in the site vicinity. No shoulder or sidewalk is provided along the roadway.

West Bangs Avenue and Wayside Road come together to form a 4-leg STOP-sign controlled intersection with a flashing yellow/red signal. Movements along West Bangs Avenue have the right of way.

EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES

To review the traffic conditions surrounding the subject site, manual turning movement counts were conducted during the weekday evening and Sunday peak hour at the intersection of West Bangs Avenue and Wayside Road and at the site driveway along



Wayside Road. These counts were performed on Thursday, November 10, 2022, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday November 13, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. to capture peak activity at Kingdom Hall.

The traffic count data is appended. The existing peak hour volumes are summarized on appended Figure 2.

EXISTING TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

While traffic volumes provide a measure of activity on the area roadway system, it is also important to evaluate how well that system can accommodate those volumes – i.e., a comparison of peak hour traffic volumes with available roadway capacity. Capacity represents the maximum number of vehicles that can be accommodated given the constraints of roadway geometry, environment, traffic characteristics, and controls. Intersections are usually the critical point in any road network since it is at such points that conflicts exist between through, crossing, and turning traffic. It is at these locations where congestion is most likely to occur. A description of intersection Levels of Service is noted below.

INTERSECTION LEVELS OF SERVICE AND DELAY

Level of Service	Signalized Delay per Vehicle (seconds)	Unsignalized Delay per Vehicle (seconds)
A	< 10.0	<0-10
B	>10 and <20	>10 to <15
C	>20 and < 35	>15 to <25
D	>35 and < 55	> 25 to <35
E	>55 and < 80	> 35 to <50
F	> 80	>50



A volume/capacity Level of Service analysis¹ was conducted for the existing peak hour traffic volumes at the subject intersections using the updated Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) and the Highway Capacity Software (HCS) that follows the HCM procedures. This type of analysis is performed to assist intersection operations and to identify any areas of excessive delay or congestion.

From the analyses and because of the very low traffic volumes on the roadway system, all movements at the site driveway and at the intersection of West Bangs Avenue & Wayside Road operate at very favorable Levels of Service "C" or better during both peak hours. The existing peak hour Levels of Service are summarized on appended Figure 3.

Observations made during the traffic counts show that the site driveway and adjacent intersection operate free from congestion or any significant delays, thus confirming the HCS and LOS modeling.

¹ See Technical Appendix for volume/capacity analysis and Level of Service descriptions.



TRIP GENERATION

PROJECTED TRIP GENERATION

Data compiled by the ITE is typically used to forecast trip generation for new development. Based on a review of the 11th Edition of the ITE Trip Generation Manual, Land Use 560 – “Church” is applicable to the development proposal. Table I below summarizes the weekday evening and Sunday peak hour trip generation based on building size and the number of seats provided.

TABLE I
TRIP GENERATION PROJECTIONS

Size	Evening Peak Hour			Sunday Peak Hour		
	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total
8,480 SF	14	10	24	77	83	160
350 Seats	34	22	56	80	84	164

As noted from the anticipated traffic generation, the proposed use will generate minimal peak hour traffic activity during the week. On Sundays it is expected that Kingdom Hall will have a weekly surge of arrivals and departures around its weekly scheduled Sunday meeting.

Additionally, the actually, existing trip generation was tabulated during peak hours for the existing Kingdom Hall before/after the twice weekly meetings on Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Table II summarizes the peak hour trips for the existing 8,480 square foot/350 seat Kingdom Hall during the weekday evening and Sunday peak hours.



TABLE II
EXISTING TRIP GENERATION
8,480 SF/350 SEAT – KINGDOM HALL

Evening Peak Hour			Sunday Peak Hour		
Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total
45	2	47	96	8	104

As shown, existing trip activity for the peak hours is less than the ITE trip generation projections with the exception of the evening peak hour projection based off of building size. Therefore, the Kingdom Hall is underperforming in terms of trips to/from the site according to ITE data collected at similar uses.



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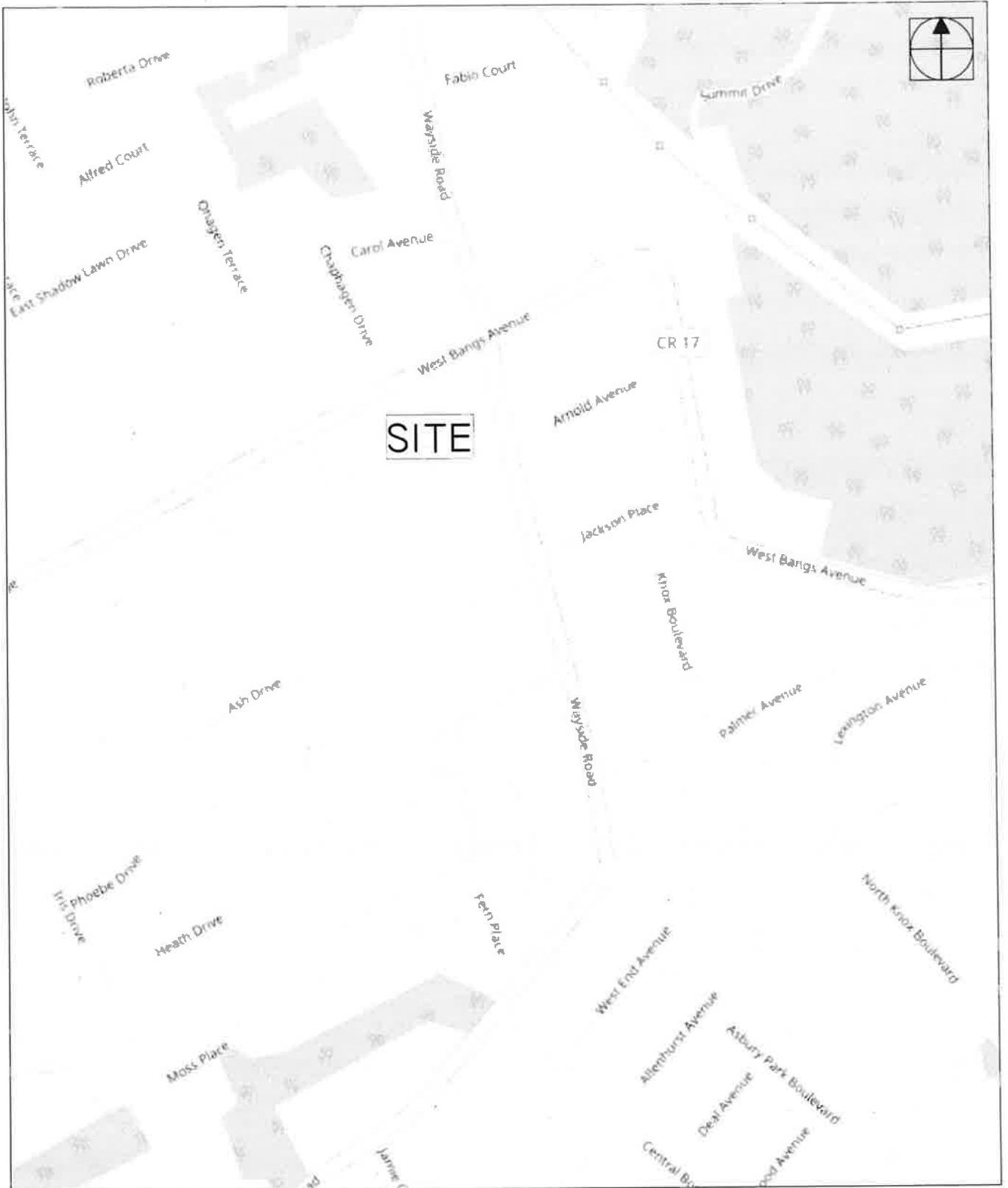
The ordinance parking requirements are 1 parking space per 4 seats (or 12 feet of pew). This equates to 88 required parking spaces for the 350 seats (every 3 feet of pew horizontally is considered a seat) provided. Currently, the site provides 122 parking spaces. The plan proposes 25 additional parking spaces bringing the total on site to 147 spaces including the 5 ADA parking spaces.

The 5th Edition of the ITE Parking Generation Manual provides hour-by-hour parking demand tables for many land uses, including churches. Using the ITE projections based on 8,480 square foot church and a 350-seat Church, 80 parking spaces and 77 parking spaces are recommended respectively.

The Kingdom Hall exceeds both the town ordinance for parking and the ITE parking generation projections for the maximum amount of parking needed for a Church based on both building size and seating provided. Therefore, the amount of parking provided is more than sufficient for the use. The proposed extra 25 parking spaces will ensure the parking provided can support the Kingdom Hall's use during its largest drawing occasions/events.



TECHNICAL APPENDIX



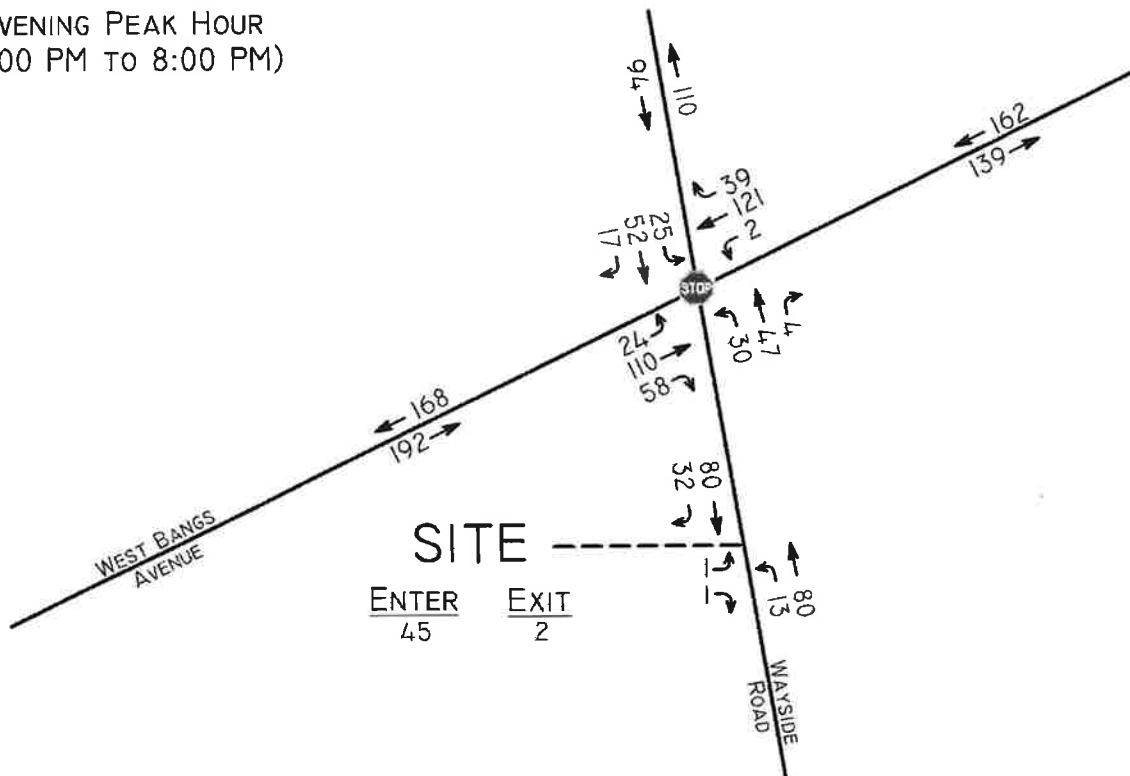
PROPOSED PARKING EXPANSION
 NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP
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FIGURE I

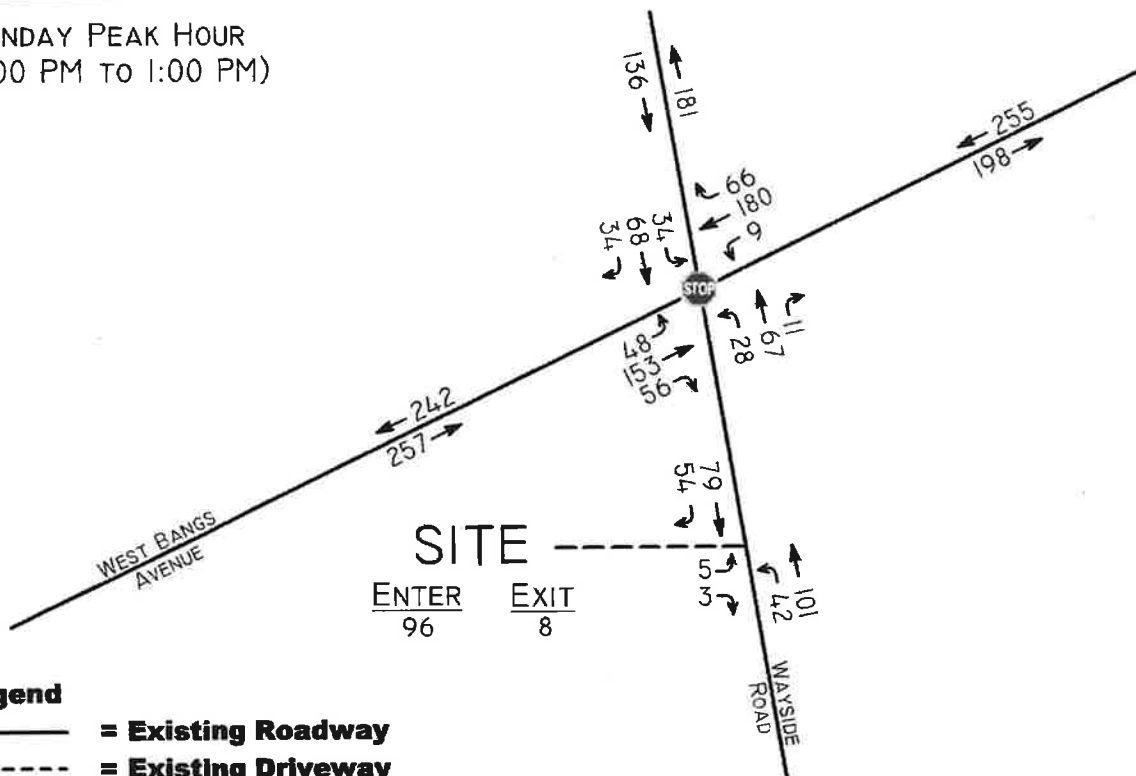


SITE LOCATION MAP

EVENING PEAK HOUR
(7:00 PM TO 8:00 PM)



SUNDAY PEAK HOUR
(12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM)

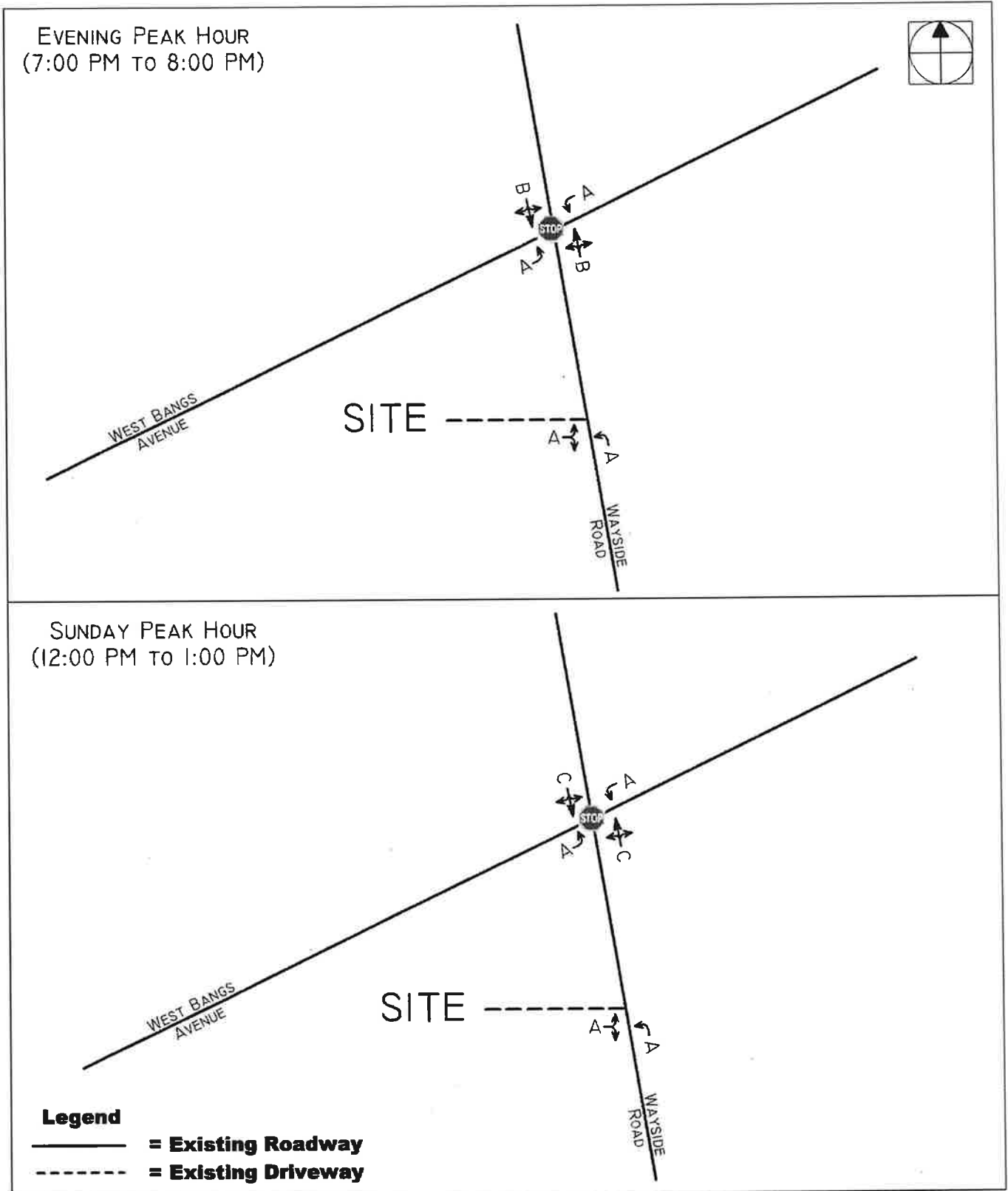


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FIGURE 2



2022 EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES



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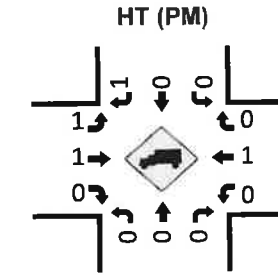
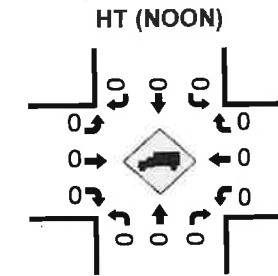
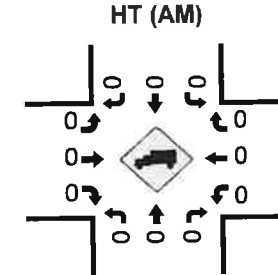
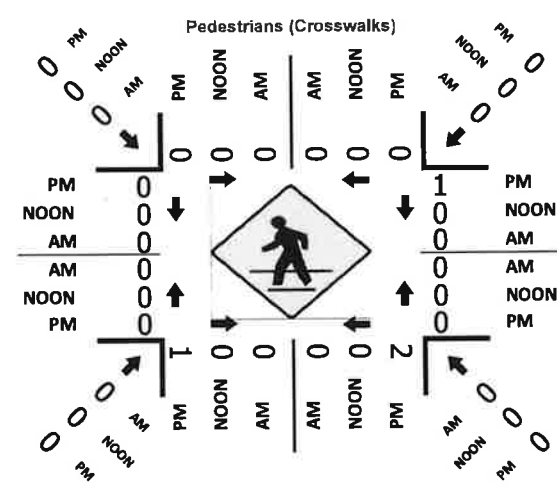
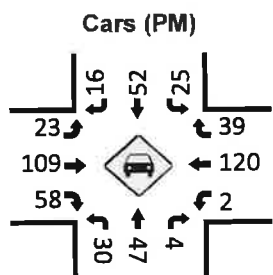
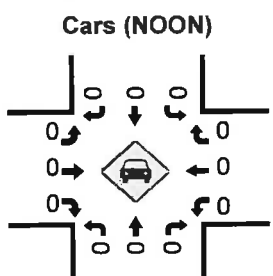
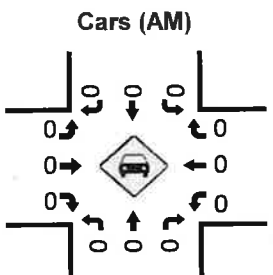
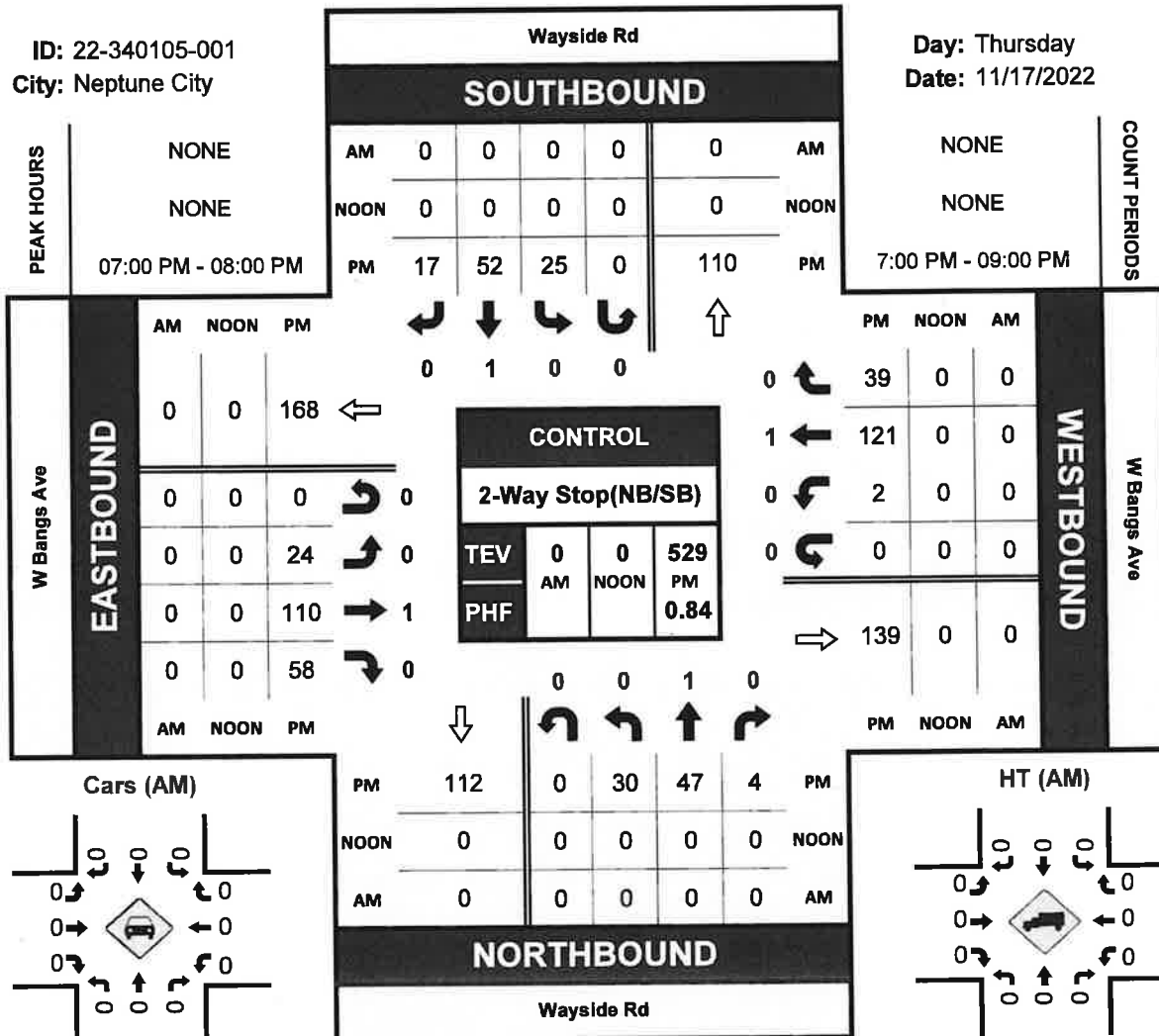
FIGURE 3

Wayside Rd & W Bangs Ave

Peak Hour Turning Movement Count

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City: Neptune City

Day: Thursday
Date: 11/17/2022

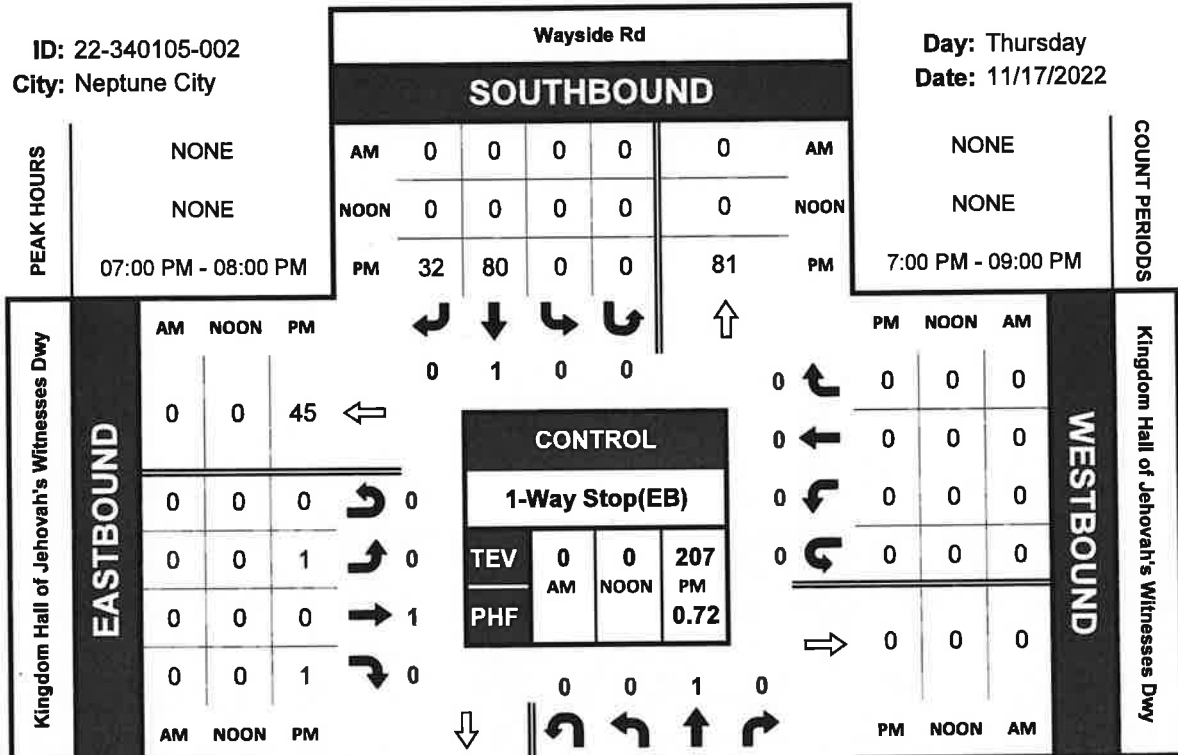


Wayside Rd & Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses Dwy

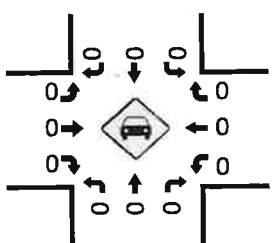
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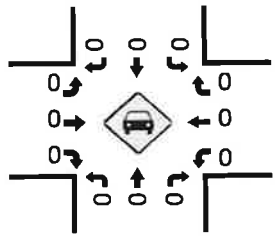
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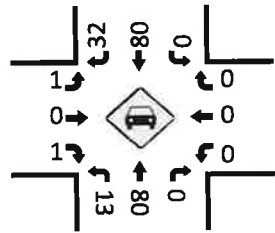
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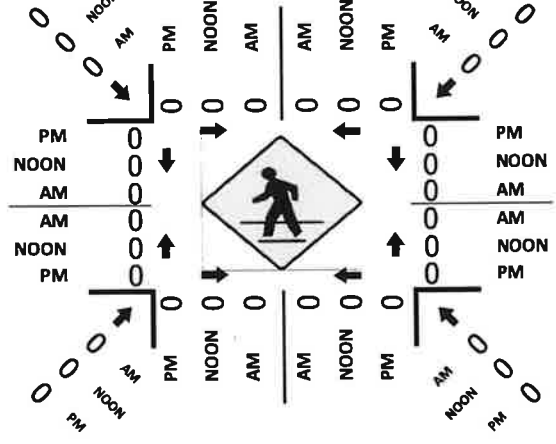
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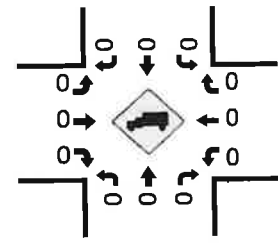
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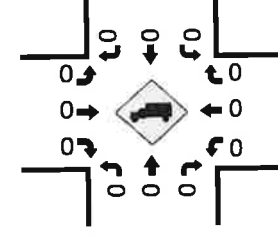
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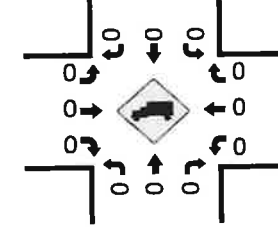
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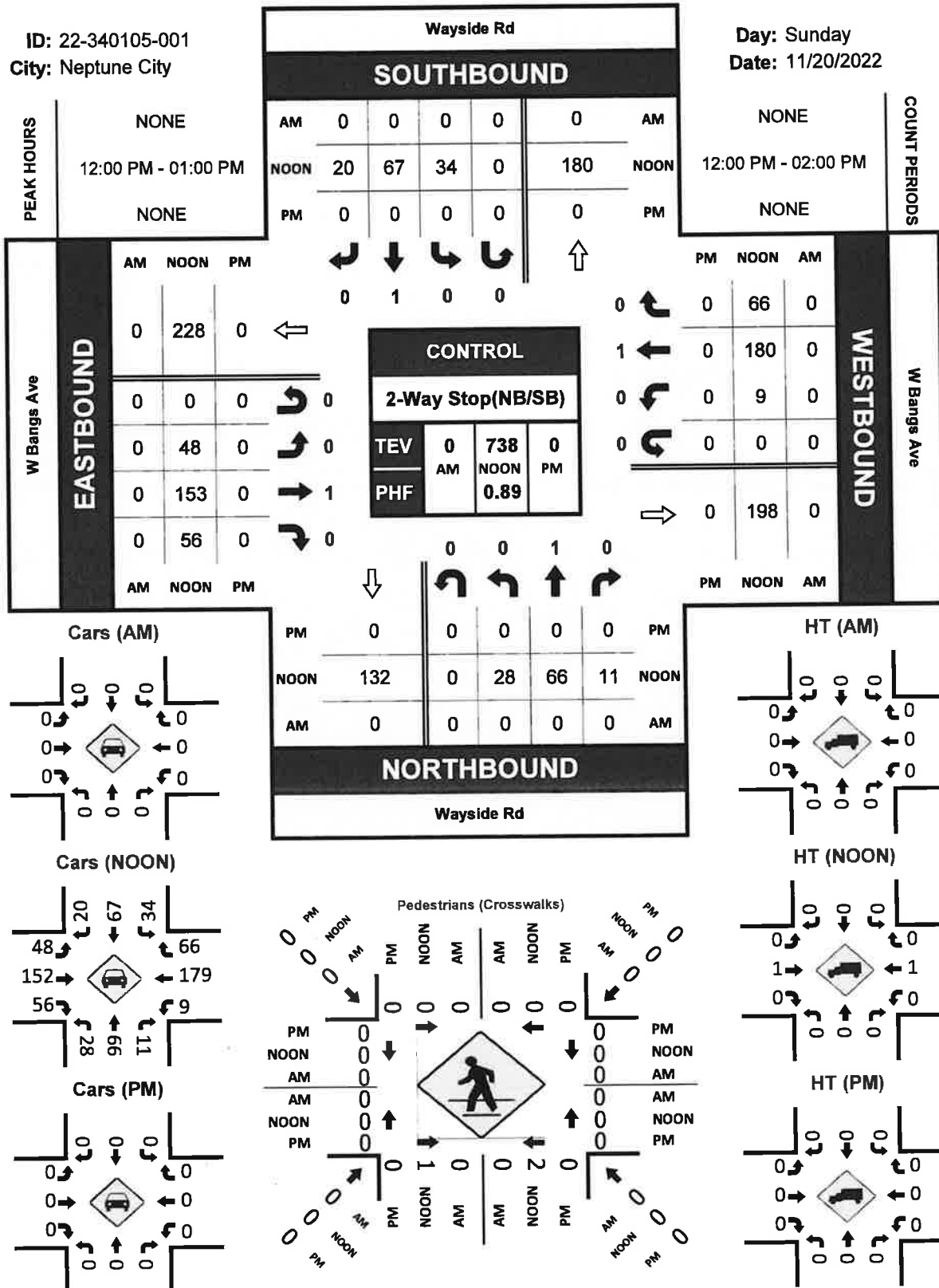


Wayside Rd & W Bangs Ave

Peak Hour Turning Movement Count

ID: 22-340105-001
City: Neptune City

Day: Sunday
Date: 11/20/2022



Church (560)

Vehicle Trip Ends vs: Seats
On a: Weekday,
PM Peak Hour of Generator

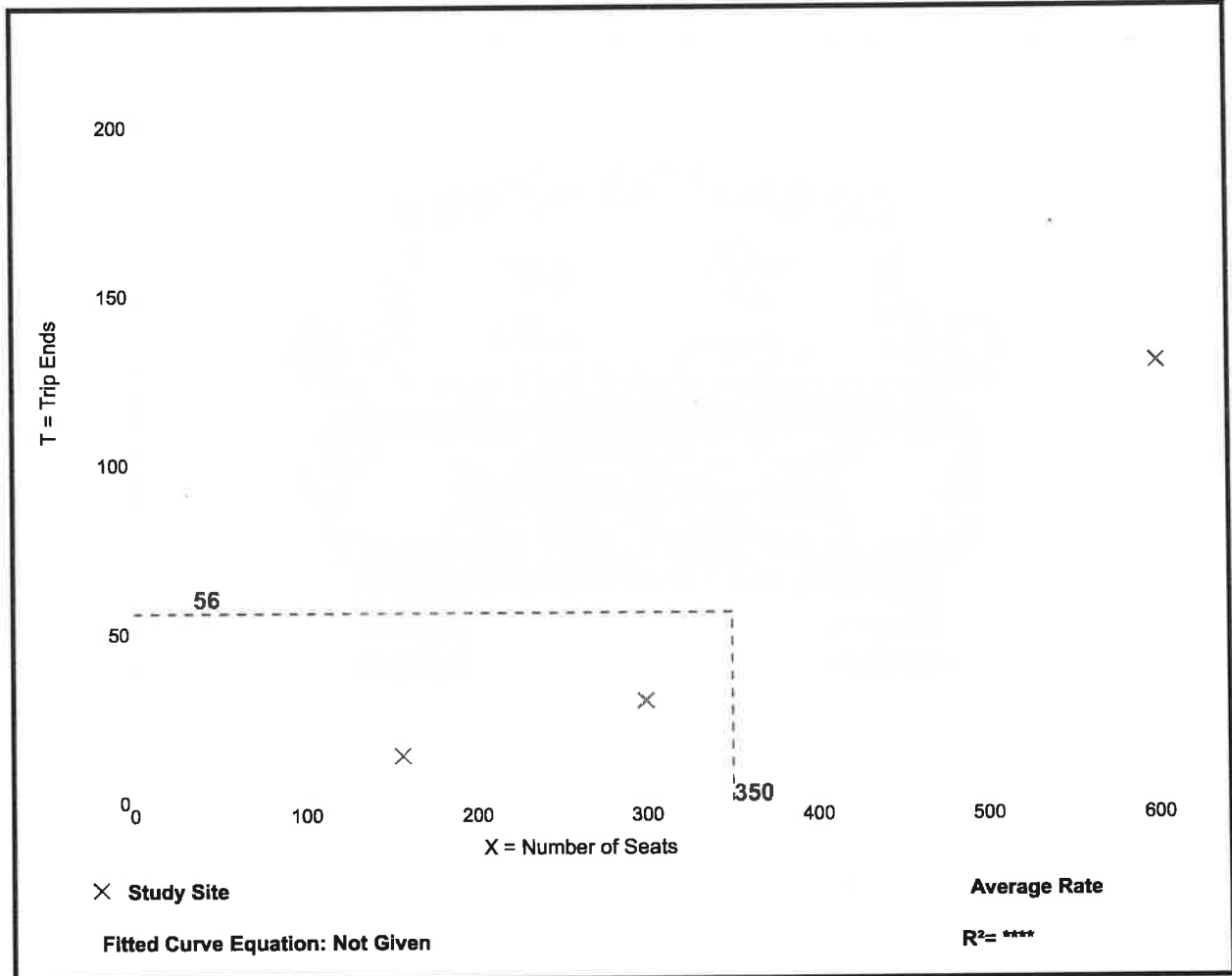
Setting/Location: General Urban/Suburban
 Number of Studies: 3
 Avg. Num. of Seats: 352
 Directional Distribution: 60% entering, 40% exiting

Vehicle Trip Generation per Seat

Average Rate	Range of Rates	Standard Deviation
0.16	0.09 - 0.22	0.07

Data Plot and Equation

Caution – Small Sample Size



Church (560)

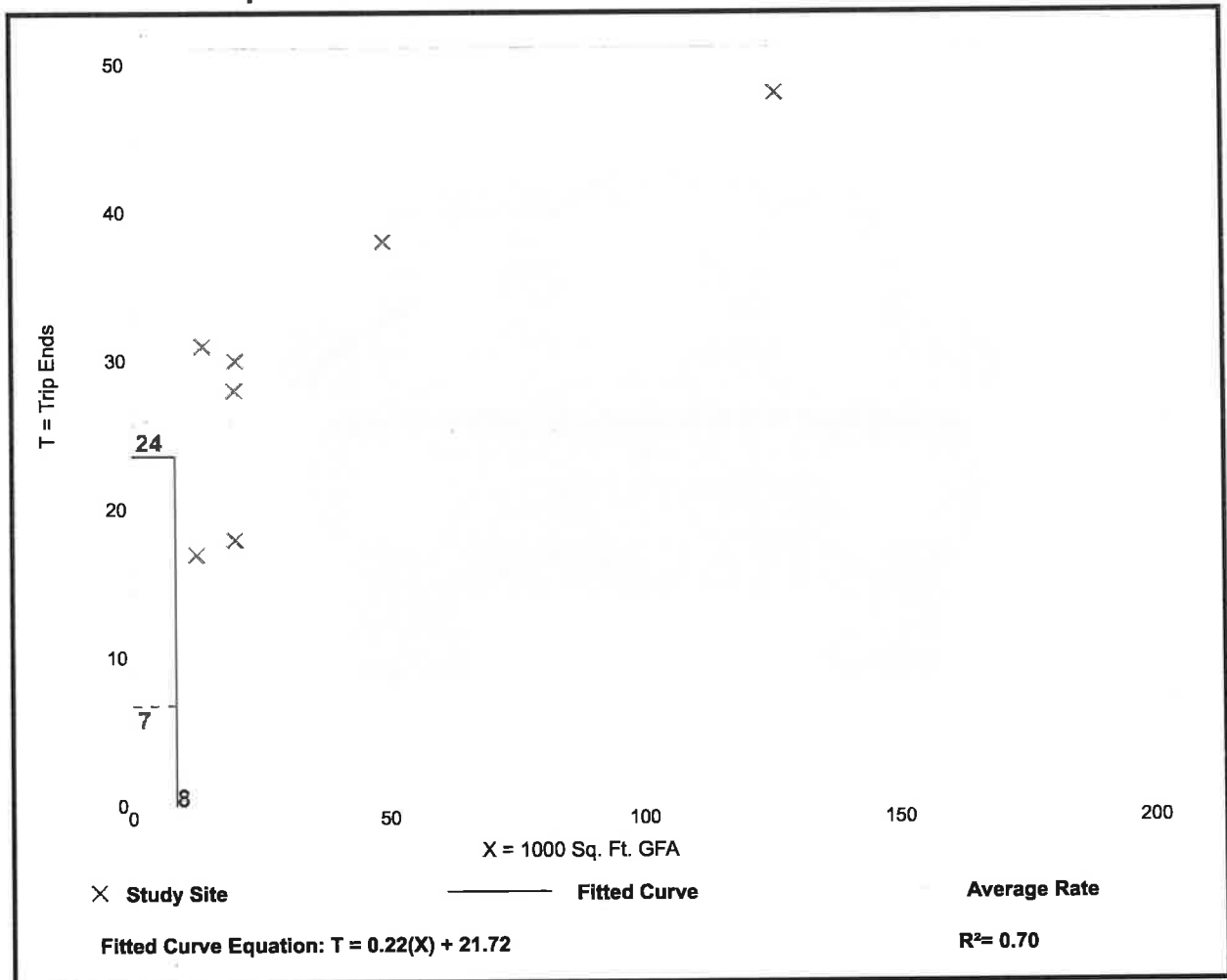
Vehicle Trip Ends vs: 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA
On a: Weekday,
PM Peak Hour of Generator

Setting/Location: General Urban/Suburban
 Number of Studies: 7
 Avg. 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA: 37
 Directional Distribution: 59% entering, 41% exiting

Vehicle Trip Generation per 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA

Average Rate	Range of Rates	Standard Deviation
0.80	0.38 - 2.21	0.56

Data Plot and Equation



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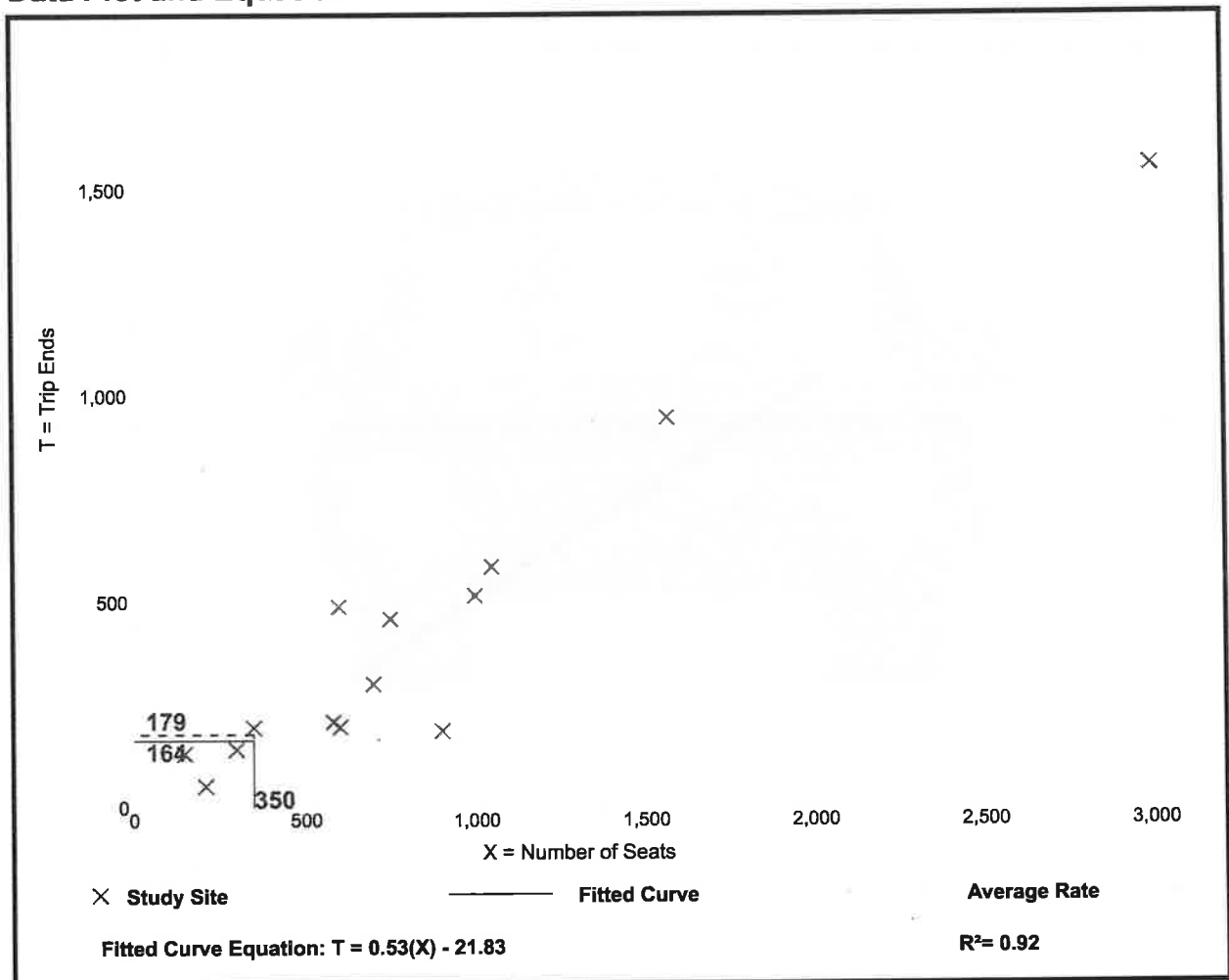
Vehicle Trip Ends vs: Seats
On a: Sunday, Peak Hour of Generator

Setting/Location: General Urban/Suburban
Number of Studies: 14
Avg. Num. of Seats: 840
Directional Distribution: 49% entering, 51% exiting

Vehicle Trip Generation per Seat

Average Rate	Range of Rates	Standard Deviation
0.51	0.21 - 0.89	0.15

Data Plot and Equation



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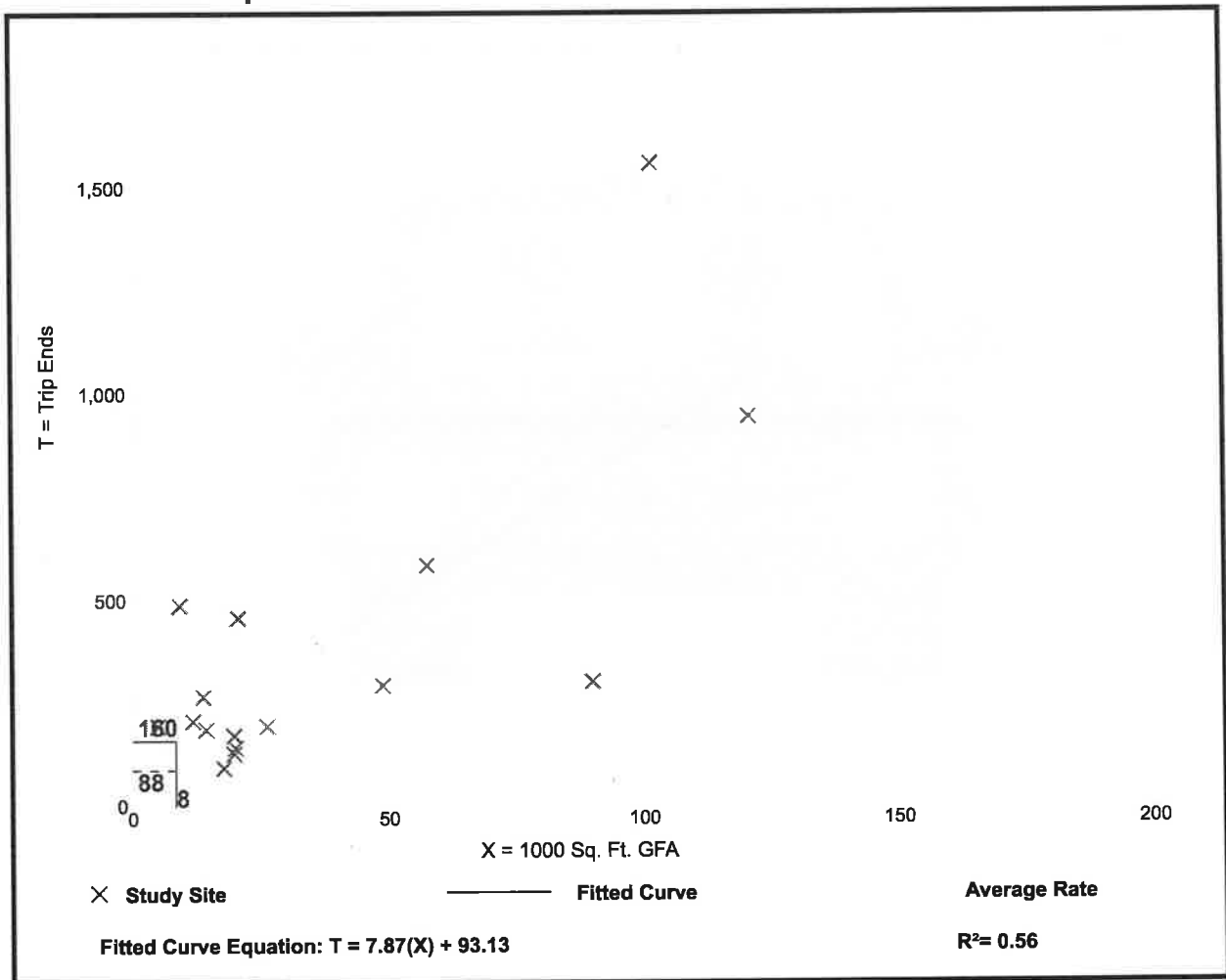
Vehicle Trip Ends vs: 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA
On a: Sunday, Peak Hour of Generator

Setting/Location: General Urban/Suburban
 Number of Studies: 16
 Avg. 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA: 38
 Directional Distribution: 48% entering, 52% exiting

Vehicle Trip Generation per 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA

Average Rate	Range of Rates	Standard Deviation
10.36	3.36 - 51.31	7.83

Data Plot and Equation



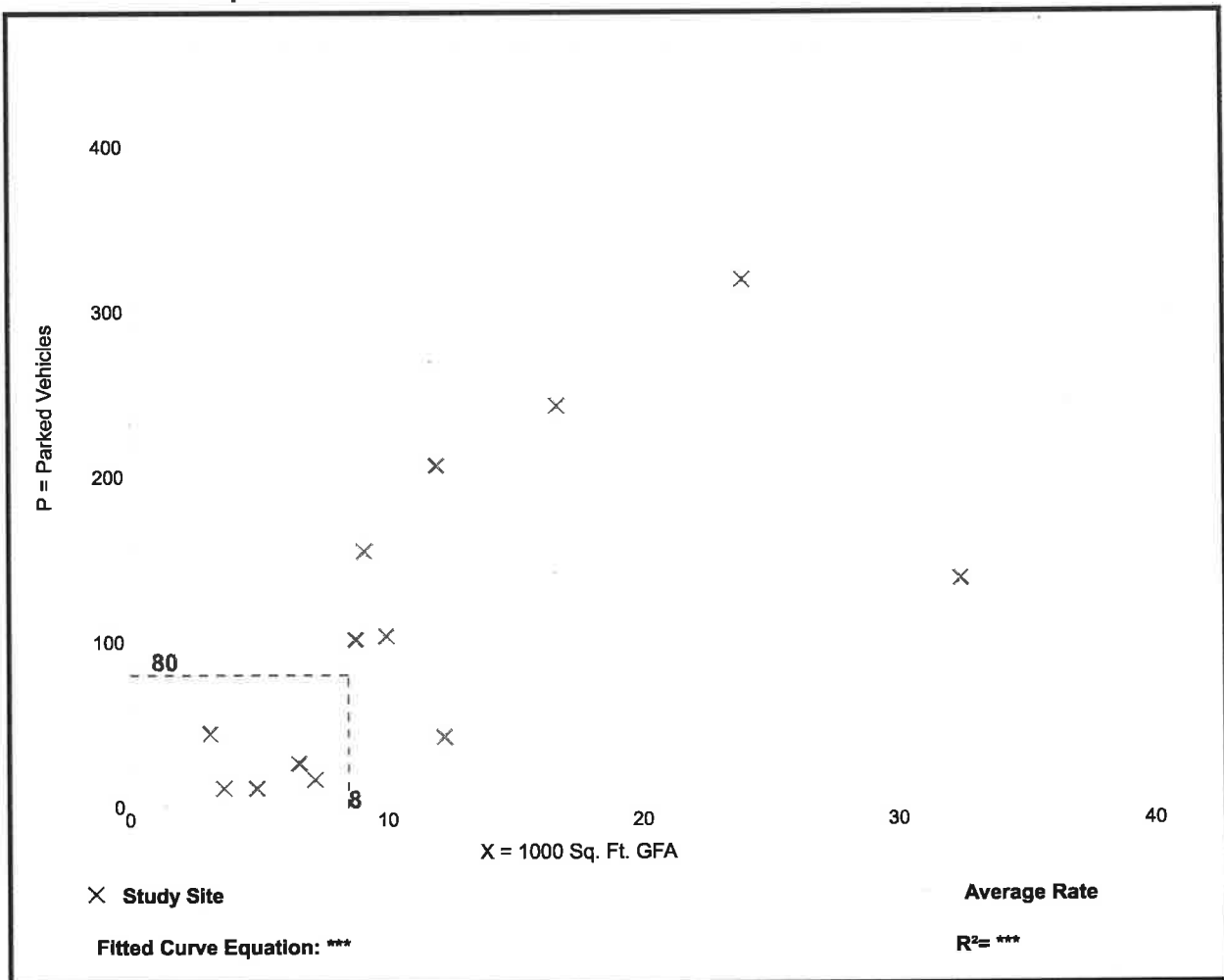
Church (560)

Peak Period Parking Demand vs: 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA
On a: Sunday
Setting/Location: General Urban/Suburban
Peak Period of Parking Demand: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Number of Studies: 13
 Avg. 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA: 12

Peak Period Parking Demand per 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA

Average Rate	Range of Rates	33rd / 85th Percentile	95% Confidence Interval	Standard Deviation (Coeff. of Variation)
9.44	2.36 - 17.32	3.88 / 16.70	***	5.63 (60%)

Data Plot and Equation



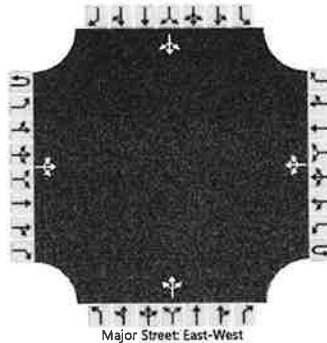
HCS7 Two-Way Stop-Control Report

General Information

Site Information

Analyst	SF	Intersection	W Bangs & Wayside
Agency/Co.	D&D	Jurisdiction	
Date Performed	12/2022	East/West Street	West Bangs Avenue
Analysis Year	2022	North/South Street	Wayside Road
Time Analyzed	PM	Peak Hour Factor	0.84
Intersection Orientation	East-West	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25
Project Description	Existing		

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound				
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	
Movement	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6		7	8	9		10	11	12	
Priority																	
Number of Lanes	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0		0	1	0		0	1	0	
Configuration			LTR				LTR				LTR				LTR		
Volume (veh/h)		24	110	58		2	121	39		30	47	4		25	52	17	
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		4				0				0	0	0		0	0	6	
Proportion Time Blocked																	
Percent Grade (%)										0				0			
Right Turn Channelized																	
Median Type Storage	Undivided																

Critical and Follow-up Headways

Base Critical Headway (sec)		4.1				4.1				7.1	6.5	6.2		7.1	6.5	6.2
Critical Headway (sec)		4.14				4.10				7.10	6.50	6.20		7.10	6.50	6.26
Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		2.2				2.2				3.5	4.0	3.3		3.5	4.0	3.3
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		2.24				2.20				3.50	4.00	3.30		3.50	4.00	3.35

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)		29				2					96					112	
Capacity, c (veh/h)		1371				1384					505					542	
v/c Ratio		0.02				0.00					0.19					0.21	
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)		0.1				0.0					0.7					0.8	
Control Delay (s/veh)		7.7				7.6					13.8					13.4	
Level of Service (LOS)		A				A					B					B	
Approach Delay (s/veh)		1.1				0.1				13.8				13.4			
Approach LOS										B				B			

HCS7 Two-Way Stop-Control Report

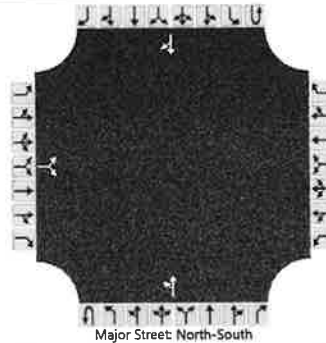
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Agency/Co.	D&D
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Analysis Year	2022
Time Analyzed	PM
Intersection Orientation	North-South
Project Description	Existing

Site Information

Intersection	Driveway & Wayside
Jurisdiction	
East/West Street	Site Driveway
North/South Street	Wayside Road
Peak Hour Factor	0.72
Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Configuration			LR							LT						TR
Volume (veh/h)		1		1						13	80				80	32
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		0		0						0						
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)		0														
Right Turn Channelized																
Median Type Storage		Undivided														

Critical and Follow-up Headways

Base Critical Headway (sec)		7.1		6.2						4.1						
Critical Headway (sec)		6.40		6.20						4.10						
Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5		3.3						2.2						
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.50		3.30						2.20						

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)			3							18						
Capacity, c (veh/h)			1408							1437						
v/c Ratio			0.00							0.01						
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)			0.0							0.0						
Control Delay (s/veh)			7.6							7.5						
Level of Service (LOS)			A							A						
Approach Delay (s/veh)		7.6								1.1						
Approach LOS		A														