

2023-22

On 11/30/23, I, Off. DiNardo was assigned a traffic survey at the request of Councilman Sinapi. The area of concern is the intersection of Wellspring Drive and Eastgate Dr. The reporting party and neighbor, identified as Charles Palombo, who resides at 193 Wellspring Drive, states that cut-through traffic and neighborhood traffic are traveling at a high rate of speed southbound down the hill on Wellspring Drive and do not slow down enough in time for the intersection at the end of the street where it meets Eastgate Drive. Due to this, Palombo states that vehicles take the turn too sharply, not coming to a complete stop, and that there have been multiple accidents at this intersection as a result.

I responded out to the intersection to make initial observations. In this area, Wellspring Drive travels southbound downhill where it intersects with Eastgate Drive which travels west/east. There is currently no signage located at the intersection. It should be noted that Eastgate Drive is the right of way street and is considered the primary through-way. Wellspring Drive is the secondary roadway here and should yield to traffic on Eastgate Drive. While this may be evident to most operators, some drivers may not be able to differentiate which street is considered primary and having the right of way. However, it should be noted that an IMC database search showed only three (3) accidents were reported to the Warwick Police at this intersection since January 1, 2014. There is also no restricted view that exists that would require road users to come to a COMPLETE stop in order to adequately observe conflicting traffic on the through-street. Traffic volume in this residential area is also minimal. Based on the above mentioned facts and circumstances, I would recommend a yield sign be placed on Wellspring Dr. facing southbound traffic at the intersection of Eastgate Drive.

The National Manual for Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) states the following:

#### **Section 2B.08 YIELD Sign (R1-2)**

The YIELD sign assigns right-of-way to traffic on certain approaches to an intersection. Vehicles controlled by a YIELD sign need to slow down to a speed that is reasonable for the existing conditions or stop when necessary to avoid interfering with conflicting traffic.

#### **Section 2B.09 YIELD Sign Applications**

Option:

01 YIELD signs may be installed:

A. On the approaches to a through street or highway where conditions are such that a full stop is not always required.



Warwick Police Department  
Incident Report

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Incident #: 23-6889-OF  
Call #: 23-69002

Date/Time Reported: 11/29/2023 0847  
Report Date/Time: 11/29/2023 0900  
Status: No Crime Involved

Reporting Officer: Officer Nicholas DiNardo  
Approving Officer: Sergeant Aaron Kay

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# EVENTS (S)

LOCATION TYPE: Highway/Road/Alley/Street      Zone: RD 274 (POST 14)  
6 EASTGATE DR @ 173 WELLSRING DR  
WARWICK RI

1 Traffic Survey

#	PERSON(S)	PERSON TYPE	SEX	RACE	AGE	SSN	PHONE
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1	SINAPI, ANTHONY E 3275 POST RD WARWICK RI 02886 DOB: 01/29/1989	REPORTING PARTY	M	W	34	*****	401-474-2069
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EMPLOYER: \*\*\*\*\*

CONTACT INFORMATION:  
Home Phone (Primary) 401-474-2069  
CallBack Number (Primary) 401-318-4124  
CallBack Number 401-474-2069

2	PALUMBO, CHARLES R 193 WELLSRING DR WARWICK RI 02886 DOB: 02/04/1946	WITNESS	M	W	77	*****	401-390-8344
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