City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

DCM: Cassey Ogden

DATE: August 19, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton prohibiting right turn movement at the signalized intersection of W University Drive (US 380) and Malone Street when northbound and southbound traffic faces a red signal, between 7 am to 8:30 am and 2:30 pm to 4 pm on school days; providing a repealer clause; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; providing for penalty not to exceed \$200 for violations of this ordinance; providing that violations of this ordinance shall be governed by chapter 18 of the code of ordinances of the City of Denton; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

Ensuring the safety of all road users is a key focus for the Transportation Services Division, particularly at the intersection of US 380 and Malone Street. This area is especially important due to the proximity of Newton Razor Elementary and Calhoun Middle School, which increases pedestrian traffic from students. A recent review of traffic patterns and past incidents shows that northbound vehicles making right turns on red create risks for pedestrians. To enhance safety, we recommend prohibiting right turns for northbound traffic at red signals during school hours between 7 am to 8:30 am and 2:30 pm to 4 pm on school days. This change would help drivers pay closer attention to pedestrians and reduce the chances of collisions at the intersection. By implementing this measure, we can create a safer environment for children crossing the street, particularly during busy school hours.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the proposed no turn on red-traffic-light restriction between 7 am to 8:30 am and 2:30 pm to 4 pm on school days, in accordance with the Code of Ordinances within Chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", which authorizes City Council to approve those intersections at which drivers of vehicles shall not make a right turn and shall place proper signs at such intersections. With this approval, the ordinance shall

- Ratify the sign installation at the locations as indicated within the ordinance.
- For the first 30-days following ordinance approval, the Police Department shall provide warnings for violations prior to issuing citations.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

Production and installation of the new speed signs are anticipated to take approximately less than 14 days to complete.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 - Draft Ordinance

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