



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Capital Projects

**CM/ DCM/ ACM:** Mario Canizares

**DATE:** May 7, 2018

### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report hold discussion and make a recommendation to City Council for approval of prohibiting parking on the south/west side of Hanover Drive (adjacent to the school) from Windsor Drive to Croydon Street during the school hours.

### **BACKGROUND**

Recently, City staff received a request from the Denton Independent School District (DISD) and the principal of Woodrow Wilson Elementary school to restrict parking during school hours along Hanover Drive between Windsor Drive and Croydon Street. The primary issue was the narrow street width resulting from the use of on-street parking (school side) as waiting area during school pick-up times.

The segment of Hanover Drive between Windsor Drive and Croydon Street is approximately 32 feet in width and experiences on-street parking on the school side especially during student drop-off in the morning and pick-up times in the afternoon. The section of Hanover Drive between Croydon Street and end of the school campus is currently designated as a loading zone that does not allow on-street parking during the school hours. As Woodrow Wilson Elementary School is an older school, it was designed as a neighborhood school where majority of the students were expected to walk to school. As such, the school does not have a designated pick-up/drop-off area and Hanover Drive south of Windsor Drive is used for these purposes. A large portion of students are now picked-up by parents at the southern end of the school campus along Hanover Drive. Vehicles typically stack along the curb in a line awaiting their turn to pick up the students. During this time, if a vehicle is parked along the west/south side (school side) of Hanover Drive between Windsor Drive and Croydon Street, vehicles picking-up students have to wait in the travel lane thus blocking the normal traffic flow and creating unsafe conditions.

The current street width does not provide sufficient capacity to permit on-street parking and allow the use of this segment of Hanover Drive for pick-up and drop-off activities. As such DISD and the elementary school has requested the City to restrict parking along this segment of Hanover Drive during school hours.

Staff has notified the property owners and residents on this segment of Hanover Drive about the proposed discussion item regarding on-street parking to ensure that residents and property owners have an opportunity to voice any concerns they may have. Letters were mailed on May 1<sup>st</sup> and door hangers were placed on May 4<sup>th</sup> at residential addresses on Hanover Drive.

A review of existing conditions and the available street width for two-way traffic along Hanover Drive and the traffic flow during school hours, staff recommends restricting parking on the west/south side of the street during school hours.

### **OPTIONS**

1. Approve restricting on-street parking on the west/south side of Hanover Drive between Windsor Drive to Croydon Street.
2. Decline recommendation of parking restriction.
3. Provide staff with additional direction.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Option 1 - Staff recommends approval of prohibiting parking on the south/west side of Hanover Drive (adjacent to the school) from Windsor Drive to Croydon Street during the school hours.

### **ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT**

Approximately one (1) month for completion upon Council approval.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

Approximately \$500 in labor and material will be funded from the Traffic Operations general budget.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP**

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

**Related Key Focus Area:**     **Public Infrastructure**  
**Related Goal:**                 **2.1 Continuously improve the quality of City roadways**

### **EXHIBITS**

1. AIS
2. Location Map
3. Letter Notices to property owners and residents dated May 1, 2018
4. Door Hanger Notices dated May 4, 2018

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