

	<div data-bbox="1235 218 1474 457"> <p><b>District Impacted</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 = Haberstroh</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 = Woolard</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 = Boyd</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 = Cisneros</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 = Bergmann</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All</p> </div> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY</b></p>
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Discussion on Cellular Phone usage and Texting While Driving
<b>STAFF'S RECOMMENDED ACTION (be specific)</b>	
<b>CONTACT PERSON</b>	KIRSTEN COHOON
<b>SUMMARY</b>	<p>Several months ago the Mayor requested that I look into ordinances pertaining to texting while driving. While there is currently no statewide law banning the use of cell phones while driving, there are approximately 40 cities in Texas who have adopted one of three types of ordinances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ban on all uses of wireless communications devices while driving</li> <li>▪ Ban on texting while driving</li> <li>▪ Ban on texting and other manual uses of wireless communication devices while driving</li> </ul> <p>Some nearby cities who now have ordinances in effect include Austin, San Antonio, Helotes, New Braunfels, Schertz and Universal City.</p> <p>In reviewing many of these ordinances, I have drafted an ordinance which is most similar to the City of Austin. This proposed ordinance would become effective January 1, 2016, however, citation warnings will be issued for 30 days in order to educate the public.</p>
<b>COST</b>	None
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>	N/A
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	Draft Ordinance

This summary is not meant to be all inclusive. Supporting documentation is attached.