



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

District Impacted

- ☐ 1 = Haberstroh
- ☐ 2 = Woolard
- ☐ 3 = Boyd
- ☒ 4 = Cisneros
- ☐ 5 = Bergmann
- ☐ All

DESCRIPTION	CONSIDER ON SECOND READING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-07; AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ONE WAY TRAFFIC SOUTHBOUND ON CITY PARK ROAD FROM STATE HIGHWAY 46 (SH-46) APPROXIMATELY 550 FEET SOUTHWARD TO THE CITY PARK DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$200.
STAFF'S RECOMMENDED ACTION (be specific)	Staff recommends that Council pass an Ordinance establishing one way traffic southbound on City Park Road from State Highway 46 (SH-46) approximately 550 feet southward to the City Park driveway entrance.
CONTACT PERSON	Michael Mann, Public Works Director
SUMMARY	<p>A few months ago, we completed construction of a new intersection connecting City Park Road to Charger Blvd. One of the primary purposes of this work was to provide a safer entrance onto SH-46 (at the Charger Blvd. signal) for traffic departing from City Park Road.</p> <p>As traffic volumes increase and due to the horizontal curvature of SH-46 at City Park Road, the intersection is becoming more dangerous to negotiate. Right turns into and out of City Park Road from SH-46 are still relatively safe, as are left turns from SH-46 westbound vehicles onto City Park Road at this time. However, left turns onto SH-46 are the least safe and often delayed. To that end, we passed an Ordinance and installed traffic control devices prohibiting left turns from City Park Road for the safety of vehicles/pedestrians on both roadways.</p> <p>Despite adding additional signage, pavement markings, etc. since that time, many drivers continue to make illegal left turns from City Park Road onto westbound SH-46. Furthermore, we have received complaints about drivers making U-turns at the Sharon Drive intersection to the east, presumably those that made legal turns from City Park Road to the right.</p> <p>We have been in discussions with TxDOT regarding what additional measures could be installed in SH-46 to prevent the illegal left turns, and there are options. However, there are problems with adding devices in SH-46 including relatively high implementation costs which would need to change again when TxDOT begins work on the Esser to Amman Road Hwy 46 improvements.</p>

	<p>Staff has met on this issue in consideration of all of the above. We recommend that Council pass an Ordinance designating City Park Road as a one-way (southbound) street between SH-46 and the City Park driveway. The intent of this would be to physically disallow the left turns that have continued to occur onto SH-46. This should also minimize the dangerous U-turns at Sharon Drive. We received notice from TxDOT that they prefer this solution over adding devices on Hwy 46 as well.</p> <p>A map of the proposed traffic control device installation is included for the Council's review. The northbound lane on City Park Road would be physically blocked with flexible post delineators and various appropriate one-way signage would be installed. This type of installation has been effective on other streets within the City. The total signage cost would be about \$2,000-\$3,000.</p> <p>This arrangement allows for northbound traffic to use the City Park parking lot to turn around if necessary. We could close the northbound lanes closer to SH-46, but, this would require the installation of additional pavement for a turn-around. Furthermore, shortening the "closed" area increases the chances that traffic would still exit the wrong way as a shortcut. The cost for additional pavement/drainage would likely be \$20,000-\$25,000.</p>
COST	\$2,000-\$3,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS	Street Department Operating Fund
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	

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

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