

AGENDA
TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
NEW CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – FEBRUARY 21, 2013 – 4:00 P.M.

I. Meeting called to order – Roll Call

II. Approval of minutes from previous meeting (January 17, 2013)

III. Consent Item(s)

- 1) Consider a request **(13-03)** from Lieutenant Ron Serattee, LPD to install a “No Turns” sign on westbound SW Lee Boulevard at the ‘T’-intersection of SW 25th Place and SW Lee Boulevard;

IV. New Business

- 2) Consider a request **(13-04)** from Bonden Malone, Eagle Cartage, 9001 SW Neal Boulevard to install “STOP” signs on northbound and southbound NW Neal Boulevard at the intersection of SW Ard Avenue and SW Neal Boulevard, making it a 4-way STOP controlled intersection;

V. Audience Participation

VI. Adjournment

The City of Lawton encourages participation from all of its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, please notify the City Clerk at (580) 581-3305 at least 48 hours prior to the schedule meeting to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48 hour rule if signing interpreters for the deaf are not necessary.



TRAFFIC ISSUE REQUEST

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Requested by: Lieutenant Ron Serrattee	Request Number: 13-03
Address: Lawton Police Department	Date Request Received: January 25, 2013
City, State, Zip: Lawton, OK	Phone: (580) 581-3399
Request: To install a “No U-Turn / No Left Turn” sign on westbound SW Lee Boulevard at the ‘T’-intersection of SW 25 th Place and SW Lee Boulevard;	
Description of Intersection / Location: SW Lee Blvd is a major arterial street posted at 40 mph carrying an average daily traffic of about 22, 700 vehicles per day. SW 25 th Place is a local residential street. The intersection of SW Lee Blvd and SW 25 th Pl is a ‘T’-intersection with a left turn storage bay in the median opening on Lee Blvd going eastbound but no left turn storage bay for the westbound direction. There are some businesses located to the south of this intersection and to the east of this intersection. Some westbound vehicles stop and make a U-turn to access these businesses. It has been reported that sometimes, large semi-tractor trailers try to make a U-turn at this location with no turn bay. This is a potential safety hazard and could also impede the traffic flow on westbound SW Lee Blvd. However, at only at about 300 ft to the east of the intersection, there is a median opening for the westbound direction at SW 26 th St. Here, vehicles could safely make a U-turn and head east on Lee Blvd and/or access businesses on the south side of Lee Blvd.	
Accident Report Listing: None	
WARRANTS (MUTCD/City Code/City Policy): <u>MUTCD Section 2B.18 Movement Prohibition Signs(para 07)</u> If both left turns and U-Turns are prohibited, the combination No U-Turn/No Left Turn sign may be used instead of separate No Left Turn sign and No U-Turn sign.	
Previous Action: None	
Previous Traffic Commission Recommendation(s): None	
Previous City Council Decision(s): None	
Action Recommended by Staff: Approve the request to install a “No U-Turn / No Left Turn” combination sign on westbound SW Lee Boulevard at the ‘T’-intersection of SW 25 th Place and SW Lee Boulevard;	
Traffic Engineer: Sagar Medisetty	
Considered by Traffic Commission: February 21, 2013	
Considered by City Council: March 12, 2013	



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Requested by: Bonden Malone	Request Number: 13-04
Address: Eagle Cartage, 9001, SW Neal Boulevard	Date Request Received: December 19, 2012
City, State, Zip: Lawton, OK	Phone: 580-704-1941
Request: To install “STOP” signs on northbound and southbound NW Neal Boulevard at the intersection of SW Ard Avenue and SW Neal Boulevard, making it a 4-way STOP controlled intersection;	
Description of Intersection / Location: SW Neal Boulevard is a 4-lane roadway which extends from SW Goodyear Blvd in the east and dead-ends east of SW Ard Avenue. SW Ard Ave is a 2-lane roadway which extends from SW Lee Blvd in the south and dead-ends north of SW Neal Blvd. The intersection of SW Neal Blvd and SW Ard Ave is located in the industrial district and the traffic on these streets is predominantly large truck traffic. Currently, the intersection is 2-way stop controlled, with stop signs on eastbound and westbound SW Neal Blvd at the intersection. These stop signs were installed in the year 1998. Since then, there has been more development on SW Neal Blvd east of SW Ard Ave and as a result, the traffic patterns have changed. Traffic counts conducted at various times during the day indicate that in fact, SW Neal Blvd carries slightly more traffic than SW Ard Ave. The trucks make wide turns from Ard Ave onto Neal Blvd. Due to the presence of semi-tractor trailers at the intersection (which require longer stopping distances) and more turning movements of trucks at the intersection, it is recommended that the intersection be made a 4-way stop controlled intersection.	
Accident Report Listing: One (1) non-injury accident in 2012; and one (1) hit & run accident in 2011; and one (1) injury accident in 2004;	
WARRANTS (MUTCD/City Code/City Policy): <u>MUTCD Section 2B.04 Rightof-Way at Intersections (para 07)</u> Guidance: Once the decision has been made to control an intersection, the decision regarding the appropriate roadway to control should be based on engineering judgment. In most cases, the roadway carrying the lowest volume of traffic should be controlled.	
Previous Action: None	
Previous Traffic Commission Recommendation(s): (a) In 1995, denied the request to install 4-way STOP signs; (b) In 1998, approved the request to install 2-way STOP signs for east-west directions because of the high truck traffic in the area and the sight distance problem in the northeast corner of the intersection;	
Previous City Council Decision(s): In 1998, approved installation of 2-way stop signs on SW Neal Blvd at the intersection with SW Ard Avenue.	
Action Recommended by Staff: Approve the request to install ‘STOP’ signs on northbound and southbound SW Ard St at the intersection with SW Neal Blvd making it a 4-way stop controlled intersection. Traffic Engineer: Sagar Medisetty	
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