



MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEM IV.F.1.

SUBJECT

Consider an Ordinance amending the school zone times and designating a portion of Mistletoe Drive as a one-way street from Paula Lane to Reeves Lane on school days

ORIGINATED BY

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SUMMARY

As a result of variations in the ISD class start and dismissal times at Arthur Intermediate, Delaney Elementary, and Kennedale Junior High campuses, staff had recommended amending the ordinance (attached) establishing such school zones. The ordinance amendment would permit the staff to change the signal flashing times or the times listed on school zone signs if and when the ISD modifies their schedules. The Council postponed action during the last meeting because of questions as to the confusion caused in the residential neighborhood because of different times posted on the signs for the different schools and concerns about the efficiency of the "one-way" traffic flow on Mistletoe during school zone times.

Following review of the school zone issues and after consulting with the ISD, the following recommendations are made in an effort to minimize confusion as to the hours for which the school zones will be posted and to enhance the efficient traffic flow on Mistletoe during the times that street is designated as one-way:

- **All school zones for Arthur, Delaney, KJHS, and Fellowship Academy will be consistent, with the effective hours being 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. unless ISD schedules justify a variation.** This will provide less confusion for both parents and residents as to when the zones are effective and will provide sufficient time before and after classes start and dismiss at each campus. These same hours will apply to the school zone on Bowman Springs Road for Fellowship Academy. We may need TxDOT approval for the zone on Kennedale Parkway.
- **An ordinance to prohibit all parking on Mistletoe between Reeves and Paula will be included on a future agenda.** This parking prohibition would apply all hours of the day to assist with traffic flow on Mistletoe allowing the cars or school buses exiting the Arthur campus to go west on Mistletoe during school zone hours.

The ISD is supportive these modifications. If adopted by Council, the District will assist the City in getting the word out to parents and residents of the area regarding these changes. Approval of the postponed ordinance (also attached) is recommended and will permit the staff to post and enforce the consistent school zone times as outlined above. It will also allow the future flexibility to modify the times posted as circumstances require.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve

ATTACHMENTS

1.	O499_Existing School Zone Ordinance	O499_Existing School Zone Ordinance.pdf
2.	O718_School Zones and One Way Designation of Mistletoe	O718_School Zones and One Way Designation of Mistletoe.pdf