



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Mike Garza, P.E., Director of Public Works

Date: May 14, 2024

Reference: Consider approval of an Ordinance amending Article 8-3, Parking, Section 8-3-1(A) of the Code of Ordinances, by adding a subsection to make it unlawful to stop, stand or park a vehicle at any time on the south side of Ruby Road in its entirety; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

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Introduction:

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider approval of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by amending article 8-3, Parking section 8-3-1(A) of the code of ordinances by adding a subsection to make it unlawful to stop, stand, or park a vehicle at any time on the south side of Ruby Road.

Background:

Ruby Road is a 36-foot-wide, 30mph roadway situated between Royal Lane and S. Coppell Road. To the north lies a mobile home community, while to the south sits The Container Store distribution center. Several years ago, a no-parking ordinance was implemented on the north side of Ruby Road, adjacent to the entrances of the mobile home community due to visibility concerns.

Analysis:

In recent years, an increasing number of vehicles from the mobile home community have been parking on both the north and south sides of Ruby Road, exacerbating visibility issues. This situation impacts not only the residents of the mobile home community, but also poses challenges for the employees and delivery trucks accessing The Container Store distribution center from the south side of Ruby Road. The parked cars hinder the maneuverability of delivery trucks, particularly impeding their ability to navigate turns in and out of the parking lot.

To address these visibility and safety concerns, we propose shifting the centerline of the roadway approximately 5 feet to the south. Additionally, parking will be prohibited on the entire south side of Ruby Road. This adjustment will create a 10-foot-wide parking lane on the north side of Ruby Road while maintaining two 13-foot travel lanes. The existing no parking on the north side of Ruby adjacent to the entrances will remain.

Benefit to the Community:

The proposed ordinance amendment seeks to mitigate visibility issues and enhance safety for both the mobile home community and employees at The Container Store distribution center. By reallocating parking space and maintaining adequate travel lanes, we aim to ensure smooth traffic flow and safe navigation for all stakeholders involved.

Legal Review:

The Ordinance has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

Fiscal Impact:

The signs will be installed by Public Works with budgeted funds.

Recommendation:

The Public Works Department recommends approval of this item.