



Legislation Text

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Discussion of issues relating to traffic study conducted at Center Street and Railroad Avenue

Summary:

On March 7, 2017, staff briefed council on the illegal vehicular left turn movements occurring at the intersection of Center Street and Railroad Avenue. Some of these illegal turn movements resulted in damage to the Gateway improvements constructed by the City. Council directed staff to barricade (close) the northbound Center Street left turn lane onto Railroad. Prior to installing barricades staff made a sight visit and observed a large number of vehicles, including school buses, making legal left turns onto Railroad Avenue. Staff felt that prohibiting vehicles from legally making a left turn would require them to find alternate routes through adjacent neighborhoods and additional queueing of northbound traffic at the SH 225. On April 4, 2017 council authorized staff to enter into a contract with Midtown Engineers to observe the intersection, conduct traffic counts, and provide recommendations to mitigate the left turn movements without affecting legal traffic flow at the intersection.

The consultant has completed the study and will present their findings at the August 15, 2017 Council Workshop.

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

For discussion only