



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JANUARY 23, 2018

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARD: 2

SUBJECT: REVISION OF 5-TON WEIGHT LIMIT RESTRICTIONS ON FAIR ISLE DRIVE AND LOCHMOOR DRIVE – ORDINANCE

ISSUE:

Revise the adopted 5-ton weight limit restrictions on Fair Isle Drive and Lochmoor Drive to correctly and accurately define the boundaries of the restricted zones.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council introduce and adopt an ordinance to:

1. Revise the boundaries of the adopted 5-ton weight limit restriction on Fair Isle Drive from “Entire Street” to between “Sycamore Canyon Boulevard and Lochmoor Drive (North); and
2. Revise the boundaries of the adopted 5-ton weight limit restriction on Lochmoor Drive from “Entire Street” to between “Sycamore Canyon Boulevard and Central Avenue.”

BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

On October 4, 2017, the Transportation Board (Board) reviewed this matter; six of seven members were present. The Board unanimously recommended revision of the 5-ton weight limit restrictions on Fair Isle Drive and Lochmoor Drive to correctly and accurately define the boundaries.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Works Department may establish weight limit or axle restrictions to prohibit use of select streets by larger commercial vehicles. These types of restrictions reduce commercial truck traffic on certain local, residential, and/or collector roadways by directing truck traffic onto arterial roadways. Weight limit restrictions assist in preserving the pavement and promoting safe use of streets which may have distinctive roadway conditions, are residential in nature, or experience cut-through truck traffic. Such restrictions do not prevent use for the purpose of delivering or picking up of materials/merchandise or the performance of services in connection with a property within the specific block

DISCUSSION:

The Public Works Department is proposing revision of the adopted 5-ton weight limit restrictions on Fair Isle Drive and Lochmoor Drive to correctly and accurately define the boundaries of the restricted zones which are currently designated in the Section 10.56.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) as “Entire Street”. The weight limit restrictions were approved by City Council on November 15, 2005 to prohibit use of these street segments located within the Sycamore Highlands Area by large commercial trucks bypassing nearby arterial streets including Sycamore Canyon Boulevard and Central Avenue near the 60/215 Freeway in route to and from the Sycamore Canyon Business Park. The original City Council Memorandum does not include specified boundary information, however, the map attachments reflect the originally proposed boundaries for Fair Isle Drive as between “Sycamore Canyon Boulevard and Lochmoor Drive (North)” and for Lochmoor Drive as between “Sycamore Canyon Boulevard to Central Avenue.”

The proposed revision for Fair Isle Drive is necessary to specify that no restriction was intended for the segment of Fair Isle Drive east of Sycamore Canyon Boulevard which provides direct access to the 60/215 Freeway and is outside of the Sycamore Highlands residential areas. The Lochmoor Drive revision merely assists in better defining the parameters of the restricted zone by designating intersecting streets. Existing posted weight limit restrictions for both street segments are in place only west of Sycamore Canyon Boulevard for westbound traffic in accordance with the proposed revisions.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no cost associated with this action.

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Attachments:

1. Ordinance
2. Site Map
3. City Council Memorandum and attachments – November 15, 2005
4. Transportation Board Meeting Minutes – October 4, 2017