

City of Dallas

1500 Marilla Street Council Chambers, 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75201

Legislation Text

File #: 20-2317, Version: 1

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Safety

AGENDA DATE: December 9, 2020

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

EXECUTIVE: Jon Fortune

SUBJECT

An ordinance amending Chapter 28, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic," of the Dallas City Code by amending Section 28-42.1 (1) prohibiting cruising on portions of Shady Trail, Harry Hines Boulevard, Walnut Hill Lane, and Southwell Road; (2) providing a penalty not to exceed \$500.00; (3) providing a saving clause; (4) providing a severability clause; and (5) providing an effective date - Estimated Revenue: General Fund \$45,000.00 (This item was deferred on November 11, 2020)

BACKGROUND

In an effort to curtail prostitution-related activities and trafficking of persons, the Dallas Police Department seeks to prohibit cruising in targeted streets in the Harry Hines Boulevard corridor (portions of Shady Trail, Harry Hines Boulevard, Walnut Hill Lane, and Southwell Road). The Dallas Police Department Vice Unit has seen a major increase in vehicle and foot traffic in the Harry Hines Boulevard corridor in 2020. Between January and July 2020, there have been 88 arrests made during prostitution decoy operations in the Harry Hines Boulevard corridor.

The enforcement hours for this amended section would be from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m., seven days a week, which would be less burdensome to the local population and businesses in the area conducting legitimate business. The proposed amendment would include the streets listed below.

The following streets or portions of streets:

STREET EXTENT

Shady Trail Willowbrook Road to Fabens Road Harry Hines Boulevard Royal Lane to Lombardy Lane

Walnut Hill Lane Composite Drive to Harry Hines Boulevard Southwell Road Ables Lane to Harry Hines Boulevard

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PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

The Public Safety Committee was briefed by memo on November 9, 2020. On November 11, 2020, this item was deferred by Councilmember first name last name.

On November 11, 2020, this item was deferred by Councilmember Omar Narvaez.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Estimated Revenue: General Fund \$45,000.00