

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 1, 1986

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INSTALLATION OF  
"NO RIGHT TURN  
ON RED" SIGNS AT  
VARIOUS LOCATIONS  
AUTHORIZED

CC-16  
CC-48(a)

Council was informed that in May 1985, the Public Works Director directed the installation of a "No Right Turn on Red" sign prohibiting the eastbound-northbound turn movement on Lodi Avenue at Ham Lane during a red signal indication. This was done after a number of complaints had been received regarding conflicts (near accidents) between vehicles making a right turn on red and those turning left onto Ham Lane with the left arrow signal.

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complaints over the removal and, on September 17, 1986, the Council directed the staff to study this and similar situations within the City.

Council was apprised that there are relatively few similar situations in the City: signaled intersections with a protected left turn phase onto one lane.

There are no established "warrants" for "No Right Turn on Red" prohibitions.

Information and diagrams regarding the subject were presented for Council's perusal. A lengthy discussion followed with questions being directed to Staff.

Council Member Pinkerton moved that the subject sign not be replaced, because the original placement of the sign was a staff decision.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Reid but failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Pinkerton

Noes: Council Members - Hinchman, Olson, Snider,  
and Reid (Mayor)

On motion of Council Member Hinchman, Olson second, Council directed that "No Right Turn on Red" signing be established at five locations at Kettleman Lane and Hutchins Street, Kettleman Lane and Church Street, Lodi Avenue and Ham Lane and Turner Road and Church Street/Rivergate Drive.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Hinchman, Olson, and Reid  
(Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - Pinkerton and Snider



# CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: City Council  
FROM: City Manager  
MEETING DATE: October 1, 1986  
SUBJECT: Staff Report Regarding Signing of Ham and Lodi Intersection

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the "No Right Turn on Red" prohibition on the eastbound-northbound portion of the intersection of Ham Lane and Lodi Avenue be reinstated.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** In May 1985, the Public Works Director directed the installation of a "No Right Turn on Red" sign prohibiting the eastbound-northbound turn movement on Lodi Avenue at Ham Lane during a red signal indication. This was done after a number of complaints had been received regarding conflicts (near accidents) between vehicles making a right turn on red and those turning left onto Ham Lane with the left arrow signal.

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**DISCUSSION:** There are relatively few similar situations in the City: signaled intersections with a protected left turn phase onto one lane. They have different lane geometrics and traffic volumes as shown on Exhibit A. The conflicting turn volumes at the two Kettleman Lane intersections are lower than the Lodi and Ham volumes. In addition, at Kettleman Lane the exit lane widths are greater and the distance from the main street turn lane to the point of conflict at the exit lane is greater.

There have been no accidents of this type at the Kettleman Lane intersections in the last six years. There has been one such accident at Lodi and Ham in 1982.

There are no established "warrants" for "No Right Turn on Red" prohibitions. Given the above data: conflicting turn volumes, lane widths and geometry and accident record, the Ham Lane/Lodi Avenue intersection is the "worst case" of intersections with similar conditions in Lodi.

*J. L. Ronsko*  
FOR:  
Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

Attachment  
JLR/RCP/ma

APPROVED:

*Thos. A. Peterson*  
THOMAS A. PETERSON, City Manager

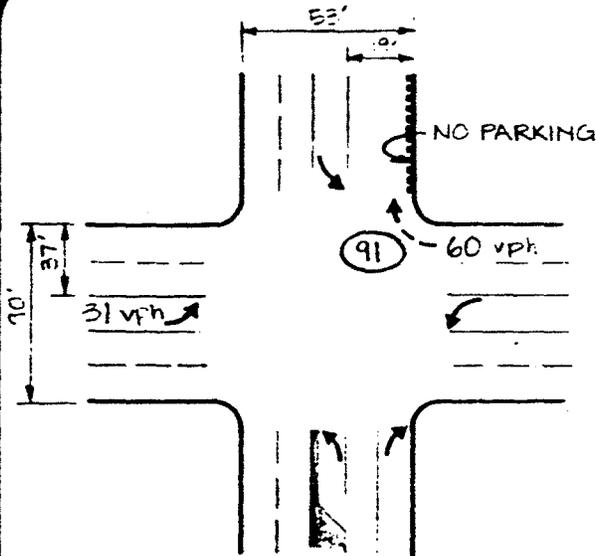
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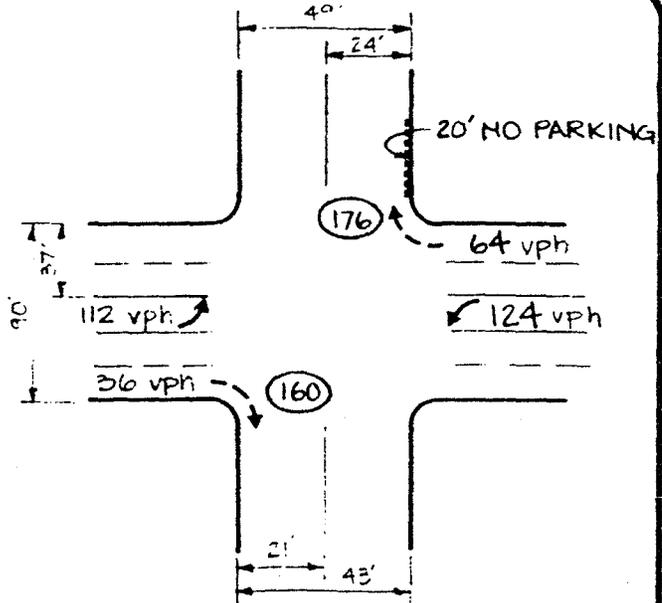
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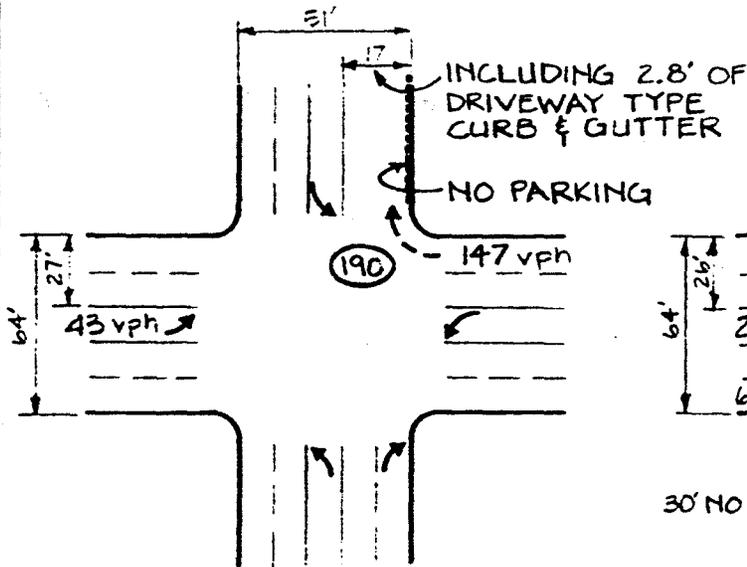
## EXHIBIT "A"



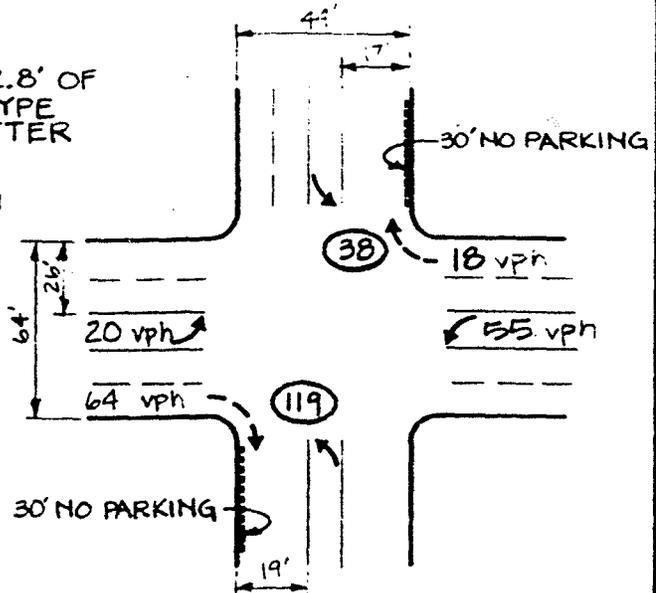
KETTLEMAN LN. & HUTCHINS ST.



KETTLEMAN LN. & CHURCH ST.



LODI AVE. & HAM LN.



TURNER RD. & CHURCH ST. / RIVERGATE DR.  
(AFTER SIGNAL INSTALLATION)

Dr.	No.	Date	Revision	Appr.
R.K.				
Ch.				
Date				

vph: VEHICLES PER HOUR  
# : TOTAL CONFLICTING VOLUME



as in a game of football. I am  
not a gambler but certainly want  
to be put in this no-win position  
where it matters at all. The safety  
of the much increased number  
of motorists and pedestrians on  
one of the busiest intersections  
in town? Were someone here  
to be severely injured or even  
killed to get your attention?  
I think in one letter someone  
mentioned that sign that may  
reasons for replacing it, please  
let me know.

Most sincerely,  
Evelyn Hamilton  
326 So. Horn St.  
Folsom, Calif. 95630

Sept. 10, 1986  
Folsom City Council:  
Dear Members of the Council:

(On Aug. 14, 1986 I sent a letter to  
the council asking in consideration  
of the removal of the sign (no  
right turn unless light) on the  
north-east corner of the intersection  
of Folsom Ave. and Wlam St. I was  
disappointed but took the letter  
with me to the council and no formal  
action was taken.  
The sign is in the home  
for thirty-year sign and new  
had an accident with backing  
out of, or during into the  
clearway, however, in the last  
four months (since the sign  
has been removed) the chance  
of this happening are as good