

School department has requested the following changes to ordinances 10.12.090 and 10.12.110 regarding turns in the area of the William P. Gorman, Fort Banks School due to changes to the school hours:

Section 10.12.090 of the town ordinances currently reads:

10.12.090 - Right turns prohibited at certain intersections.

No driver of a vehicle shall make a right turn at the intersections listed below in the directions specified:

- A. No vehicle going southerly on Woodside Avenue shall make a right turn into Somerset Avenue.
- B. No vehicle going westerly on French Park Drive shall make a right turn into Woodside Avenue.
- C. No vehicle exiting the Arthur Cummings School driveway, commonly referred to as "School Street," in a northeasterly direction shall make a right turn onto Hermon Street between the hours of seven a.m. and nine a.m. and one p.m. and three p.m. Monday through Friday while school is in session.
- D. No vehicle going westerly on Almont Street shall make a right turn onto Revere Street from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. during school hours.

(Prior code § 275-28)

The requested change section 10.12.090 would amend section D to read as follows"

- D. No vehicle going westerly on Almont Street shall make a right turn onto Revere Street from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on school days.

Section 10.12.110 of the town ordinances currently reads:

10.12.110 - Left turns prohibited at certain intersections.

No driver of a vehicle shall make a left turn at the intersections listed below in the direction specified:

- A. No vehicle going southeasterly on Waldemar Avenue shall make a left turn onto Pauline Street from seven a.m. to nine a.m. and from one p.m. to three p.m. during school hours.
- B. No vehicle going southeasterly on Kennedy Rd. shall make a left turn onto Revere Street from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. during school hours.
- C. No vehicle going southwesterly on Revere Street shall make a left turn onto Almont Street from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. during school hours.
- D. No vehicle going westerly from Locust St. shall make a left turn on to Revere Street from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. during school hours.

(Prior code § 275-29.1)

I would like to request that section 10.12.110 be amended as follows:

Strike the current section A due to the fact that this restriction was in place due to the former Middle School on Pauline Street, and replace the remaining sections as follows:

- A. No vehicle going southeasterly on Kennedy Rd. shall make a left turn onto Revere Street from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on school days.

- B. No vehicle going southwesterly on Revere Street shall make a left turn onto Almont Street from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on school days.
- C. No vehicle going westerly from Locust St. shall make a left turn on to Revere Street from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on school days.

Additionally, I would like to ask the Council to amend a related ordinance. Ordinance 10.04.110 currently reads as follows:

10.04.110 - Violation—Penalty.

Except as otherwise provided by statute or by any commission, department or other body authorized by law to impose penalties for violations of rules, regulations and orders governing the use and operation of vehicles, any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of the rules and regulations of this chapter shall be punished by a fine of not more than five dollars (\$5.00) for the first offense and not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each subsequent offense of a like nature committed during any period of one year unless otherwise provided in this title.

(Prior code § 275-11)

As currently written, this limits the fine for offenses under this chapter to \$5.00 for the first offense, and \$20 for the second and subsequent offenses. Simply put, a \$5.00 fine is not worth the time or effort it takes to issue and process a citation. I would like to ask the council to increase this amount and bring it in line with similar sections of our ordinances. I realize that any decision on fines lies solely with the Council, however, I would like to recommend a structure of \$25 for the first offense, \$50 for the second offense, and \$100 for the third and subsequent offense.

The words "convicted of" to be removed due to the non-criminal disposition of these fines.

If the council chooses to act favorably on this request, the revised ordinance would read:

10.04.110 - Violation—Penalty.

Except as otherwise provided by statute or by any commission, department or other body authorized by law to impose penalties for violations of rules, regulations and orders governing the use and operation of vehicles, any person violating any of the provisions of the rules and regulations of this chapter shall be punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the first offense, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the second offense, and one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the third and subsequent offense of a like nature committed during any period of one year unless otherwise provided in this title.