

# Memorandum

To:

Transportation and Safety Committee

From:

Patrick Rollins, Deputy Chief of Police

Date:

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Subject:

Amend Schedule XIX- Vehicle Weight Restrictions

<u>Background:</u> The Lombard Police Department has been receiving complaints of semi-trucks driving down residential streets and using them as a cut through for non-local delivery vehicles. To curtail heavy trucks from damaging roadways in the residential areas and using them as cut through, Staff is recommending installing signage at additional locations around town with the "5 Ton Weight Limit" previously established under an ordinance.

## Existing Verbaige in the Traffic Code:

#### Section 10-15-3 Limited Load Streets

No vehicles having a weight in excess of five (5) tons shall be allowed to operate on any residential street, or street listed in Schedule XXI-Limited 5 Ton Load. Posting of the street limiting the loads to 5 tons shall be required prior to prosecution.

- 1. Exceptions: Five (5) ton limit shall not apply to:
  - a. Emergency vehicles
  - b. School buses and public buses
- c. Public utilities-the operation of trucks owned or operated by the Village Public Works Department,

or any contractor or material-men while engaged in the repair, maintenance or construction of streets, Village improvements or street utilities within the Village of Lombard and on behalf of the Village of Lombard

d. Local destination or origination-the operation of trucks upon residential streets where necessary

to the conduct of business at a destination or origination point within those residential streets

The exceptions shall allow the above listed vehicles to use residential streets or streets listed in the schedule, but only for the shortest limited distance on the streets to accomplish the



purpose. The exception shall not apply when any vehicle has an alternative means of access which could be used and does not involve a residential street or street on the schedule.

## Existing Schedule in the Traffic Code that applies to the 5 Ton Weight Limit:

### SCHEDULE XIX – VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

(a) In accordance with Section 10-15-3, Five (5) Ton Vehicle Limit is hereby established as described upon the following streets or parts of streets:

Edgewood Avenue from 470 feet north of Route 38 to Wilson Avenue Fairfield Avenue from 460 feet north of Route 38 to Wilson Avenue Foxworth Boulevard Janata Boulevard Parkside between Main Street and Grace Street

Recommendation: Staff would like the Transportation and Safety Committee to recommend to the Village Board additional signage at the following locations:

S/B Grace approaching the RR tracks North of North Ave.

N/B Grace at North Ave.

E/B Marcus at Grace

S/B Joyce from North Ave.

S/B Krammer at LeMoyne.



