

TIME: 7:00 a.m.  
PLACE: The Dalles Public Works Department  
Conference Room  
1215 W 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
The Dalles OR 97058

AGENDA  
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
August 15, 2018

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 18, 2018
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
- V. OLD BUSINESS
  - A) Corner of W 7<sup>th</sup> & Floral – “No Parking Beyond This Sign” Request – Harrell
  - B) Request for Clear Vision Triangle @ 12<sup>th</sup> & Laughlin - Bybee
  - C) Status of Recommendations @ 12<sup>th</sup> & Thompson - Harrell
  - D) ADA Parking Place in front of 420 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street – Harrell
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
  - A) Request for Stop Signs @ the 6<sup>th</sup> & Pentland Intersection – Harrell
  - B) Delivery Truck Loading Zone/Parking Area – between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> off of Kelly Avenue - Harrell
  - C) School Zone Speed Signs near Wahtonka School - Keever
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
August 15, 2018

COMMISSION PRESENT: Frank Pyles, Fred Davis, Larry Fairclo, Mike Kilkenny, Brent Bybee, Donna Lawrence and Michael Holloran

ABSENT MEMBERS: none

STAFF PRESENT: Chris Harrell – Transportation Manager, Russ Brown – Council Representative, Jeff Keinlein – City Police, and Cindy Keever – Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: none

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A) A discussion was held regarding the “No Parking” request on the corner of W7th & Floral. Chris Harrell, the Transportation Manager gave an estimate of costs for signage and road improvements. A discussion was held regarding other ways to exit that neighborhood. Mike Kilkenny made a motion to improve the “alley way” off of Floral Court to make it more usable for area residents and to have the City Codes Enforcement Officer work with area residents for trimming low hanging tree branches to make visibility better. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. No signage on the corner will be installed at this time.

B) A request for a clear vision triangle was received for 12<sup>th</sup> & Laughlin. City staff looked at the intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> & Laughlin but not 12<sup>th</sup> & Laughlin. Public Works staff found a new white vinyl fence that is obscuring a clear vision triangle. City staff will work with resident to correct issue. Original request will be postponed to September meeting.

C) The Transportation Manager will check with the City’s Codes Enforcement Office (Nikki) to find out the status of recommendations at 12<sup>th</sup> & Thompson.

D) A request for an ADA parking place in front of 420 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street was discussed with the question of where other ADA locations were close by. Staff gave the commissioners other ADA locations. Donna Lawrence made a recommendation to create an ADA parking spot on Laughlin near 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Mike Kilkenny seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A) A citizen request for a stop sign at 6h & Pentland was brought to the table by Chris Harrell, City Transportation Manager and a discussion was held regarding the request. Mike Kilkenny made a motion to deny installing a new stop sign at 6<sup>th</sup> & Pentland. Donna seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

B) A discussion was held regarding the congestion on Kelly Avenue, between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Streets, near the small grocery store and ways to alleviate some of the congestion. Delivery

trucks have been unloading while parked on Kelly Avenue. Donna made a motion to make the alley on the north side of the building a "No Parking/Loading Zone area. Mike seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. City staff will put the markings down with paint and thermal plastic to ensure longevity of the markings.

C) An email was received by City staff asking the Traffic Safety Commission to please revisit the school zone speed signs near Wahtonka School. The commission discussed different ways to make the public aware of the change in the speed zone and ways to make it as clear as possible. Brent Bybee made a motion to remove the 25 mph signs entirely and to move the School Zone 20 mph sign to Irvine Street. Donna seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

D) Donna was approached by a citizen who was very concerned about the accident on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street after the Neon Nights car cruise was discussed. A discussion was held regarding various ways to make the event safer and a reminder was mentioned that this is a Main Street event and is not a City sponsored event. Some of the suggestions were as follows:  
1) Sign a waiver – no burn outs, 2) Need three instead of two cones blocking each side road, 3) Police on bikes (for faster response time), 4) Driver's chirping tires immediately expelled from cruise, 5) Ticketing to increase exponentially after cruise has ended, and 6) Many more volunteers are needed to help during the event.

E) A discussion was held regarding the Intersection Observation Report that Larry Fairclo had shared with commission members during the July meeting. Members talked about a cell phone "diversion" class and how the fines for using a cell phone while driving a car have went up substantially.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Donna Lawrence moved to adjourn. Fred Davis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Keever  
Administrative Secretary  
City of The Dalles Public Works

Final approval

  
Frank Pyles



# Intersection Observations

Student observations - Diamond F Driving School -Summer 2018

To: The Dalles Traffic Safety Meeting

Students were to sit for **thirty** minutes at a **controlled** intersection with only **stop signs**. Students were to watch drivers on approach to the crosswalk or stop line. If neither of those stop places were present, then they were supposed to stop at the first of the sidewalk/road. They would record how many stopped correctly, how many stopped in the crosswalk or intersection. How many did "touch & go's or did not slow or stop. At the right bottom corner, I put a star for high student quality, a ~~1~~ for ok quality and a ? for not sure if they were even there.

They also watched for those on cell phones and not wearing their seatbelts. We talked about right of way laws and I plan to incorporate the yielding laws into this observation lab.

At the end of this assignment was the student's summary of what they learned. What I wanted them to gain from this lab was to expect that most drivers do not come to complete stops and will often do a "touch and go" with little searching of the intersection.

Larry Fairclo  
Diamond F Driving School



Location 10<sup>th</sup> St, Dry HollowDate 7/25/18Beginning Time 3:10Ending Time 3:35

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 12

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total 11

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 12

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

total 0

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 0

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

total 0

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

I Learned that a lot of people don't come to a complete stop. They just rolled through the intersection. People don't stop the crosswalk line. on this street it ended up being 33% of people driving correctly, incorrectly, and completed their stop

Location By MCMC Clinic <sup>12<sup>th</sup></sup>  
Dry Hollow

Date 8-4-2018

Beginning Time 10:00

Ending Time 10:30

## Directions

**You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:**

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

<del>III</del>	<del>III</del>	<del>III</del>	
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total 15

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

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total 3

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

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total 1

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

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total 1

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

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total 3

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

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total 6

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

more people do wear seatbelts now and people talking on the phone are definitely less aware of their surroundings

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# Crosswalk Lab Assignment

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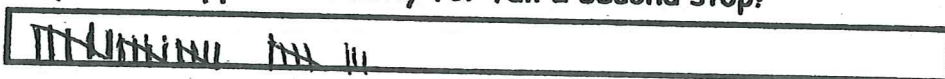
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Location 10<sup>th</sup> East & KellyDate 7-20-18Beginning Time 8:00 amEnding Time 8:30 am Due 8-1

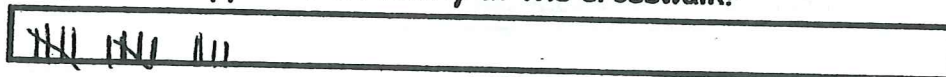
## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?


total 23

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?


total 14

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?


total 6

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?


total 0

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

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total 20

?

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?


total 7

?

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

most drivers will attempt to stop at the  
intersection.

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Location Mt. Hood + West 6<sup>th</sup> St.

Date

8-2-18Beginning Time 4:15Ending Time 4:45

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

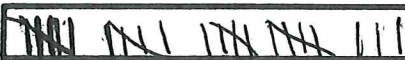
1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?


total 26

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?


total 41

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?


total 23

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?


total 16

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?


total 6

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **NOT** wearing a seatbelt?


total 2

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

Most people respect & obey the laws but most people try to obey but do not fully follow the laws required.

Location Dry Hollow & 12<sup>th</sup>

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Beginning Time 11:30Ending Time 12:00

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

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total 34

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

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total 41

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

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total 31

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

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total 2

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

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total 11

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

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total 2

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

A lot of people stopped correctly but more people stopped in the cross walk which is in-correct. Mostly everybody attempted to stop

Location Hood River Jackson Park Int.Date 8/6/18Beginning Time 3:00 PMEnding Time 3:30 PM

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

|||||total 11

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

||||total 7

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

||||total 4

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

|total 1

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

||total 2

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

|total 1

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

Everyone tried to stop but some just didn't



Location Dry Hollow Road @ 12<sup>th</sup>Date 8/6/18Beginning Time 11:30 amEnding Time 12:00 pm

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 22

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total ~~22~~ 26

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 12

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

total 4

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 3

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

total \_\_\_\_\_

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

Most people don't completely come to a stop at the crosswalk, or don't stop for a full two seconds and look all ways.

Location 12<sup>th</sup> Street and dry Hallow

Date

7/28Beginning Time 3:00Ending Time 3:30

## Directions

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 41

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total 37

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 57

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

total 1

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 1

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **NOT** wearing a seatbelt?

total 1

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

One observation I found out was a lot of cars that stopped was only because they were waiting for other cars. Also a lot of cars stop for one second and then leave.

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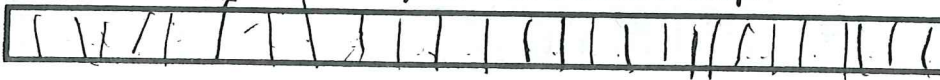
**Crosswalk** Lab Assignment

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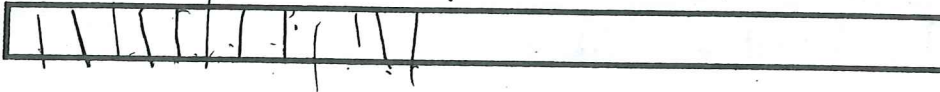
Location EAST 16th street by my house  
(one block from Kelly Ave) Date August 6thBeginning Time 3:15 Ending Time 3:45**Directions**

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 17

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total 8

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 17

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

total 4

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 1

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe
- NOT**
- wearing a seatbelt?

total 0

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

I'm surprised that trucks stopped completely,  
more than smaller cars and I'm  
surprised how many people didn't come  
to a complete stop.

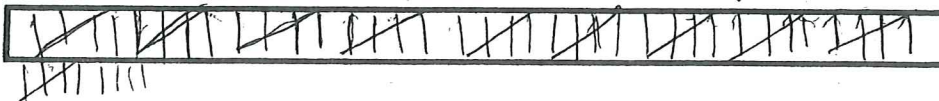


Location 4<sup>th</sup> and WashingtonDate 7-19-18Beginning Time 10:10amEnding Time 10:40am

## Directions

You are to find an ~~un~~-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

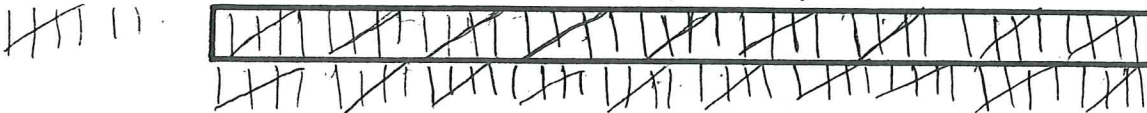
1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 49

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total 31

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 102

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

total 2

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 3

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **NOT** wearing a seatbelt?

total 6

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

I've learned that even though illegal a lot (most) people do not come to a complete stop, only about half the people come to a complete stop. I've also learned that not that many people drive distracted, but a few do.

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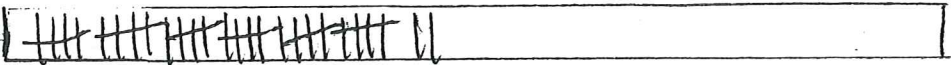
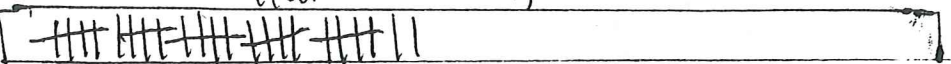
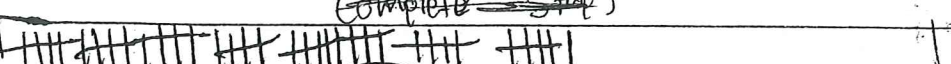
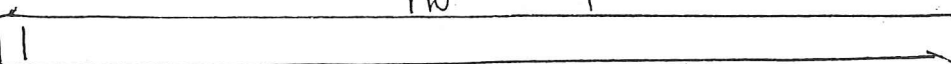
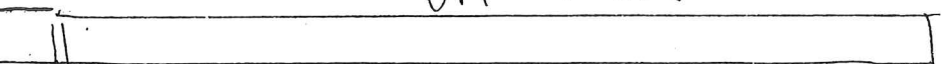
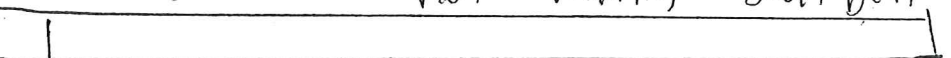
Location: Wyeast Middle school

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Beginning time: 11:28

Ending time: 12:03

~~scribbles~~

Full 2-Second Stop		32
Stopped incorrectly		27
Never stopped <del>Complete stops</del>		41
no stop		1
on Phone		2
not wearing Seat belt		1

I noticed that people don't usually stop fully or at all if there are no other cars.

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**Crosswalk** Lab Assignment

# 564

Location Dry Hollow RD and E 12<sup>th</sup> st. intersection. Date 7-20-18Beginning Time 3:14 PMEnding Time 3:45**Directions**

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

|||||  total 99

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

 total 31

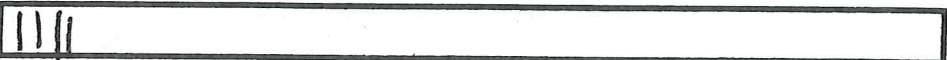
3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

 total 115

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

 total 5

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

 total 4

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe
- NOT**
- wearing a seatbelt?

 total 0

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

I learned that the drivers seem to be really lax about if they come to a complete stop. Some seem not to care, others may not even notice. Weird thing, all 2 motorcycles stopped when and where they were supposed to.



Due Aug 1st

30 min

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## Crosswalk Lab Assignment

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565

Location 4<sup>th</sup> and Washington

Date 7/16/18

Beginning Time 7:30

Ending Time \_\_\_\_\_

### Directions

You are to find an ~~un~~-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

11

total 13

2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

12

total 12

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

33

total 33

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

1

total 1

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

1

total 1

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe **not** wearing a seatbelt?

0

total 0

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

I learned that most people don't come to a complete stop or stop correctly. not as many people on their phones as I thought there would be.

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**Crosswalk** Lab Assignment

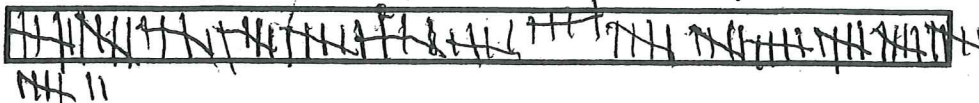
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Location 12<sup>th</sup> & Dry HollowDate 7-16-18Beginning Time 10:15Ending Time 10:45**Directions**

You are to find an Un-controlled Intersection (stop signs only) and for 30 minutes, record the following:

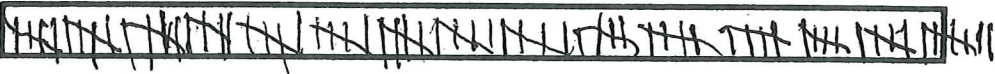
1. How many cars stopped correctly for full 2 second stop?

total 77

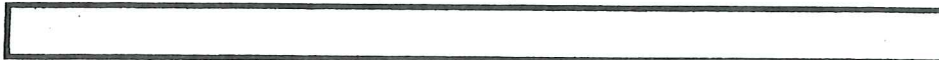
2. How many cars stopped in-correctly at the crosswalk?

total 36

3. How many cars never came to a complete stop?

total 78

4. How many cars made no attempt to stop at the intersection?

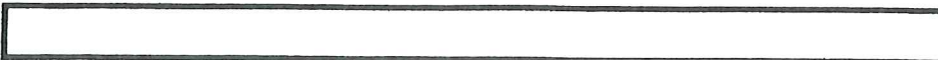


total \_\_\_\_\_

5. How many drivers were talking on their cell phone?

total 2

6. How many drivers/passenger did you observe
- NOT**
- wearing a seatbelt?



total \_\_\_\_\_

7. Write a summary from what you observed and learned.

Most drivers only come to a complete stop at a 4 way  
when there are other cars around them in the intersection  
Put a police car on the corner and see what happens

## Cynthia Keever

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**From:** Brenda Jenkins <ashraela@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 10, 2018 9:25 PM  
**To:** Cynthia Keever  
**Subject:** Fwd: Traffic Meeting

Hi Cindy,

Here are my thoughts on the changed speed zone by Wahtonka High School.

Regarding the Wahtonka School and the 'perceived speed trap'.

Do you drive past any School Zones on a daily basis? Are you required to slow down for the School Zone at night time? Are you required to slow down on the weekends or holidays? The answer is No !

I've worked 27 years going through 4 School Zones 5 days a week. I have no problem with School Zones. I do have a problem with unnecessary inconvenience to local surrounding citizens.

I've heard there might be school in session at Wahtonka 12 months of the year. If this is correct, yes it requires a reduced speed - During School hours.

To forgo a 'perceived speed trap' and an inconvenience to surrounding local citizens, the current solution needs to change.

Perhaps a better solution would be signage declaring this area as a "12 month School Zone" with the appropriate daily times for a school.

Please seriously consider the above thoughts.

On a minor note:

Along with this is the area covered by a School Zone. As I stated, I go through 4 a day. I'm very familiar with where they start and where they end. The usual area is approximately one house length on either side of the school or even the school property line. The west end School Zone for Wahtonka starts an overly extreme distance from that school. This is from the past when there was a Middle School up on the hill. It hasn't been used for Many years. The area needs to be adjusted to the same guidelines as all other School Zones.

Thank You for your time.

Judy Renoe  
1188 Murray Dr. W.  
The Dalles, OR. 97058  
[jjalways17@gmail.com](mailto:jjalways17@gmail.com)  
Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



## Dale McCabe

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**From:** Dave Anderson  
**Sent:** Monday, August 06, 2018 2:27 PM  
**To:** Dale McCabe; Chris Harrell  
**Subject:** FW: Alley

Dale and Chris-

Below is a description of a situation that was presented to me a few months ago. I can't remember if I forwarded the information to you or not... if not, please consider this message string as doing so. Let's look at the situation and see if we can identify some reasonable solutions. If needed, we could then take to Traffic Safety for consideration. Thanks.

Dave

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**From:** Dave Anderson  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 22, 2018 9:42 AM  
**To:** 'Kyle and Ashley'  
**Subject:** RE: Alley

Thanks for the additional information. We'll look at the issue at the staff level and also probably have our Traffic Safety Commission discuss the challenges. We'll try to get something in place to help resolve the issue soon.

**From:** Kyle and Ashley [<mailto:kyleashvc@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 22, 2018 8:53 AM  
**To:** Dave Anderson  
**Subject:** Re: Alley

Hi Dave,

Both situations cause issues and I would venture to say that the fact the large trucks are allowed to park there may give people the idea it's OK. But that said, Kelly Ave. is a tough street for trucks to park on and I understand the desire to use the alley.

It has to be confusing for people, since the first 20 feet from the road to the alley is paved in between the gas station and store; I'm sure people think it's some sort of parking area.

I hate to sound like a curmudgeon, as I am not; I just think there has to be some sort of simple resolution. It's understood too that signage or striping won't completely stop the problem, but it's worth looking into if it avoids violent situations like have happened in the past (not myself).

I appreciate you taking the time,

Kyle Van Cleave

On Tue, May 22, 2018 at 8:41 AM Dave Anderson <[danderson@ci.the-dalles.or.us](mailto:danderson@ci.the-dalles.or.us)> wrote:

Kyle-

Thank you for your inquiry. And to best respond, I'm going to ask a follow up question. Has the truck parking in the alley for loading/unloading been much of a problem? If that type of parking was allowed to continue but customer parking was restricted, would that be adequate? I ask so that we are on the same page as to the problem we would be trying to address.

Thank you for any additional information.

Dave

**From:** Kyle and Ashley [mailto:[kyleashvc@gmail.com](mailto:kyleashvc@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 18, 2018 3:58 PM  
**To:** Dave Anderson  
**Subject:** Alley

Hi Dave,

My name is Kyle Van Cleave. I own a home on 12th street, right off of Kelly Ave. I wanted to get some info on what it might take to place some signage or paint stripes in the alleyway between 12th and 11th street (right by La Michoacana Store). We have a major problem with the alley being blocked with people parking and shopping at the store.

The problem grows exponentially during the harvest season as the store is extremely busy. It is a year round issue with the large delivery semis and trucks that use it as a loading area. It's been a major inconvenience for the home owners who have off-street parking accessed by the alley, even escalating to near violence last year and police being called.

Any info you can provide for me and the other homeowners would be great.

All the best,

Kyle Van Cleave

[813 E 12th St](#)