



City of Biggs

Agenda Item Staff Report for the Regular City Council Meeting: February 28, 2011 6:00PM

DATE: March 15, 2011
TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Pete Carr, City Administrator
SUBJECT: Truck Routes (Discussion/Action)

City Council will consider adopting an ordinance to alter truck routes in Biggs.

Background:

City Council considered truck routes at its February 28th meeting and directed staff to prepare the desired changes in the form of an ordinance for adoption. Specifically, the changes:

1. Updates the 1983 ordinance and city hall map.
2. Delete Second Street and Ninth Streets as truck routes.

This evening's action is the first reading of the draft ordinance. Second reading and adoption are scheduled for April 18th.

Attachments:

Proposed Ordinance: Truck Routes
Existing truck route map showing changes being made
New truck route map

Note: February agenda staff report included state vehicle code and Biggs Municipal Code references.

Recommendation:

Adopt Ordinance 391 amending the city truck route code and map.

Fiscal Impact:

Minor administrative costs to update and publish code and maps, and to notify major affected businesses. Additional minor costs may be incurred to update street signage.

ORDINANCE NO. 391

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS
ADDING CHAPTER 8.50 TO THE BIGGS MUNICIPAL CODE
(TRUCK ROUTES) AND DELETING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 8.35**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 8.50 of the Biggs Municipal Code is added as follows:

8.50.010 Enactment.

The ordinance codified in this chapter is enacted pursuant to the California Vehicle Code, Sections 21101 and 35701.

8.50.020 Definitions.

The following definitions are based on California Vehicle Code and are to be used in administering this chapter. All other definitions as contained in the California Vehicle Code are included by reference:

For the purpose of this chapter, “trucks” include all of the following:

1. Any vehicle exceeding a maximum gross weight limit of three tons.
2. Motortrucks of three or more axles which are more than six thousand pounds unladen weight.
3. Truck tractors.
4. Trailers and semitrailers designed or used for commercial purposes, excluding camp trailers, trailer coaches and utility trailers, where the primary use of the vehicle is noncommercial.
5. Any vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds forty feet in length when coupled together.
6. Any vehicle transporting hazardous materials for commercial purposes and which is regulated by the California Vehicle Code or other lawful authority, regardless of weight.
7. Any other motortruck not specified that is regulated by the Public Utilities Commission or the Interstate Commerce Commission.

8.50.030 Designated Truck Routes.

The following streets and portions of streets are designated and established as truck routes:

1. E Street from easterly City Limit to 8th Street
2. All of B Street
3. West Biggs Gridley Road from B Street to southerly City Limit
4. Bannock Street from 8th to West Biggs Gridley Rd
5. 4th Street from B Street to the northerly City Limit
6. 6th Street from B Street to southerly City Limit
7. 8th Street from Bannock Street to northerly City Limit

8.50.040 Signage.

Appropriate signs shall be erected indicating the streets affected. Such signs shall read "TRUCK ROUTE" in letters not less than four inches in height and shall be erected at all intersections of truck routes and at all intersections of designated routes with the boundary lines of the city.

8.50.050 Prohibition on Trucks Traveling off Truck Routes.

When truck routes are established pursuant to this chapter and designated by appropriate signs, the operator of any truck as defined herein shall drive said vehicle only on such routes and none other except for the following:

(1) Trucks coming from a truck route having ingress and egress by direct route to and from a restricted street when necessary for the purpose of providing a direct service requiring the utilization of such vehicles or making pickups and deliveries of goods, wares and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted street or for the purpose of delivering materials to be used in the actual and bona fide repair, alteration, remodeling or construction of any building or structure upon the restricted street for which a building permit has previously been obtained. If it is necessary for a truck to leave the truck route to make a delivery, the driver shall go by the shortest possible route to and from the delivery point to the truck route. In no event shall the truck remain off the truck route for more than one hour.

(2) Any vehicle owned by a public utility or a licensed contractor while necessarily in use in the construction, installation or repair of any public utility.

(3) Vehicles as may be reasonably necessary:

(a) For the purpose of transporting farm or ranch supplies, produce, or animals to and from ranches or farms situated along a street otherwise forbidden to be used by such vehicles, or

- (b) For the purpose of transporting a trailer used for recreation or noncommercial purposes and/or boat to and from locations along a street otherwise forbidden to be used by such vehicles, or
- (c) For the collection and transportation of garbage, rubbish, or refuse, or
- (d) For the purpose of public transportation.

8.50.060 Violations.

Violation of any section of this chapter shall constitute an infraction.

SECTION 2: Chapter 8.35 is amended as follows:

8.35.010 Stop signs.

Whenever any ordinance or resolution of this city designates and describes any street or portion thereof as through street, or any intersection at which vehicles are required to stop at one or more entrances thereto, or any railroad grade crossing at which vehicles are required to stop, the director of public works shall erect and maintain stop signs as follows: A stop sign shall be erected on each and every street intersecting such through street or portion thereof so designated and at those entrances of other intersections where a stop is required and at any railroad grade crossing so designated. Every such sign shall conform with and shall be placed as provided in the Vehicle Code. [Ord. 282 § 2, 1988]

~~**8.35.020 Truck routes — Signposting.**~~

~~Whenever any ordinance or resolution of this city designates any streets or combination of streets in the city of Biggs as a truck route, the director of public works shall maintain signs giving notice thereof in appropriate places in accordance with the Vehicle Code (see Vehicle Code Sections 21101 and 21103). No such regulation shall be effective unless such signs are in first place, indicating the direction of lawful travel. [Ord. 284 § 1, 1989; Ord. 282 § 3, 1988]~~

~~**8.35.030 Truck routes — Weight of vehicles.**~~

~~For the purpose of this chapter, trucks are hereby designated as any vehicle exceeding a three ton capacity rating. [Ord. 282 § 4, 1988]~~

~~**8.35.040 Truck routes — Deliveries.**~~

~~All trucks subject to this chapter, while traveling on city streets, must stay on the truck routes designated. If it is necessary for a truck to leave the truck route to make a delivery, the driver shall go by the shortest possible route to and from the delivery point to the truck route. In no event shall the truck remain off the truck route for more than one hour. [Ord. 282 § 5, 1988]~~

8.35.060 Violations.

Violation of any section of this chapter shall constitute an infraction.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Ordinance was duly and regularly introduced and read at a regular meeting held on the 21st day of March, 2011, and was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Biggs at a regular meeting thereof duly held on the 18th of April, 2011, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBER: _____

NOES: COUNCILMEMBER: _____

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER: _____

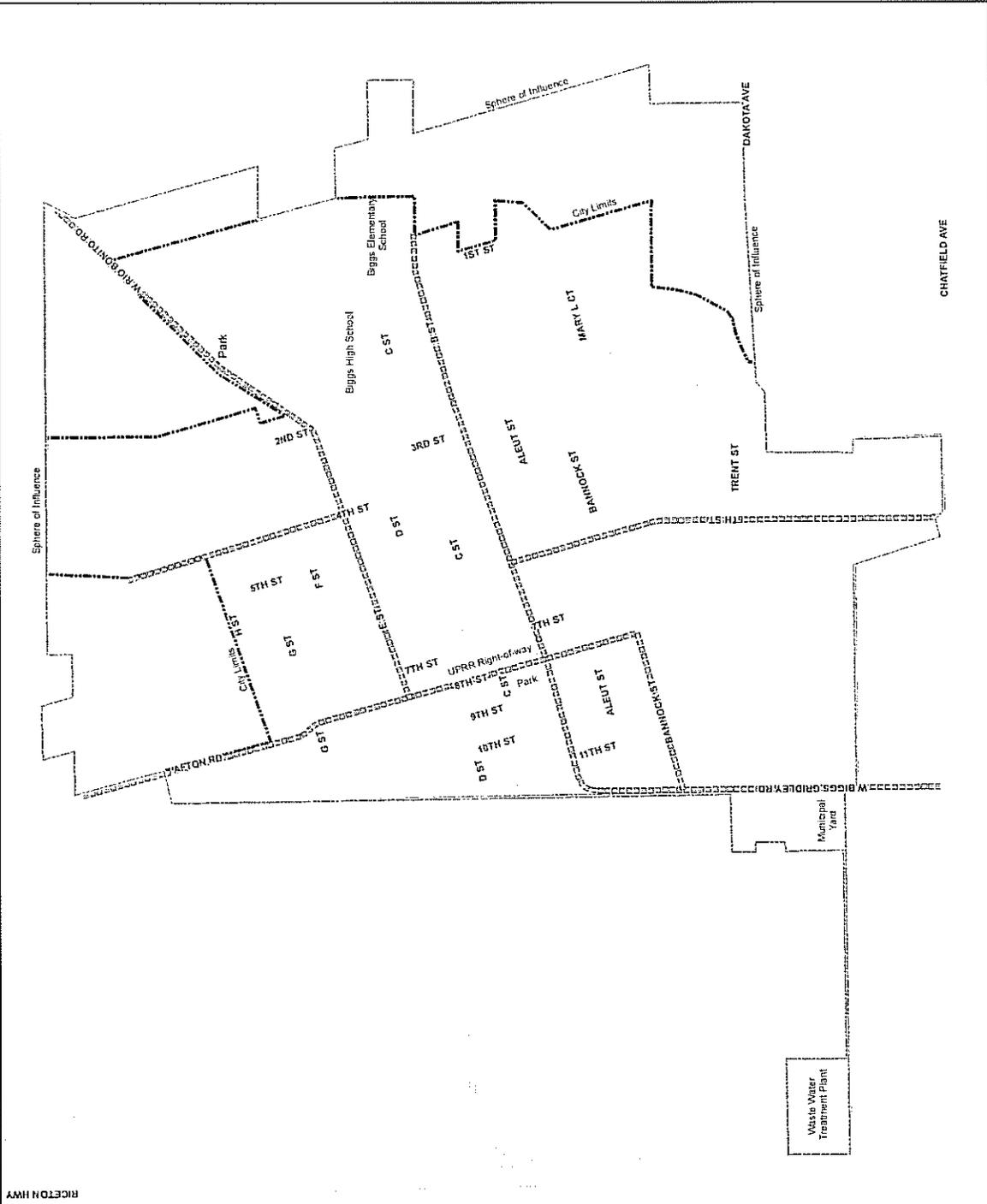
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBER: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Roben Dewsnup
CITY CLERK

Roger L. Frith
MAYOR



Truck Route Map

- City Limits
- - - Sphere of Influence
- ==== Truck Route

0 250 500 1,000 Feet




Waste Water Treatment Plant