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Lane Configuration Changes Set for Busy Intersection

Harrisonburg, VA – After a review provided by city staff and a few concerns from citizens, the Transportation Safety & Advisory Commission voted unanimously at their December 2014 meeting to proceed to install delineators for the right turn lanes on Evelyn Byrd Avenue at its intersection with University Boulevard.

A high volume of vehicles have been observed proceeding straight in the newly designated right turn only lanes on Evelyn Byrd Avenue, at its intersection with University Boulevard, which has created a dangerous situation. Signage and lane markings at the intersection are extensive and have been added to since the initial lane change to improve motorist notification.

The new delineators are planned for installation next week and will physically direct right turn traffic and block them from traveling straight in the right lane. This measure will be very similar to what is in place at the right turn lanes on Reservoir Street at Neff Avenue and on Martin Luther King, Jr. Way at Reservoir Street.

The delineators will be situated so as not to block the crosswalks. This same lane change and delineator configuration will be installed when University Boulevard is repaved in the summer of 2015.

In the City of Harrisonburg, the Public Works Department’s Traffic Engineering Division is responsible for the installation, maintenance and repair of street signs throughout the City and for the maintenance, timing, and operation of 83 signalized intersections. More information about traffic signals and signs is online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov.

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