



November 18, 2025

TO: Public Safety & Transportation Committee
THROUGH: Carl Goldsmith, Director of Public Works
FROM: Dan Watson, Civil Engineer II
SUBJECT: **No Right Turns on Red Traffic Signals Amendment– Westmore-Meyers and Madison**

Request

Staff recommends that the Village amend Schedule XIII (j) of the Traffic Code to remove the language “All four corners” and add the language “eastbound traffic on Madison Street”. Staff recommends replacing the language “8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday” with “when pedestrians are present” to the prohibition of right turns on red traffic signals for northbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue, westbound traffic on Madison Street, and southbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue.

Background

Public Works received a See Click Fix request on November 9th, 2025 to modify the prohibition of right turns on red traffic signals from “8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday” to “when pedestrians are present”.

This traffic ordinance restricting right turns on red dates back to approximately 50 years ago. It is assumed the right turn on red restriction was implemented because of the school. The right turn on red restriction was for “8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.” daily until 2004 when a resident made a request to limit the restriction to only school days. In September of 2004, staff found that there was sufficient sight distance to execute a “Turn on Red” safely but recommended the right turn on red restriction be in place from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday due to crash data from August 2002 to July 2004.

Analysis

Staff revisited the intersection in November 2025 due to a resident request. During a November 12, 2025 field visit, staff determined that there is still adequate sight distance to execute a “Turn on Red” safely at the north, east, and south legs of the intersection. Eastbound traffic on Madison Street needs to pull in front of Arthur Avenue to obtain adequate safe sight distance. See Exhibit A for a bird’s eye view of the intersection layout.

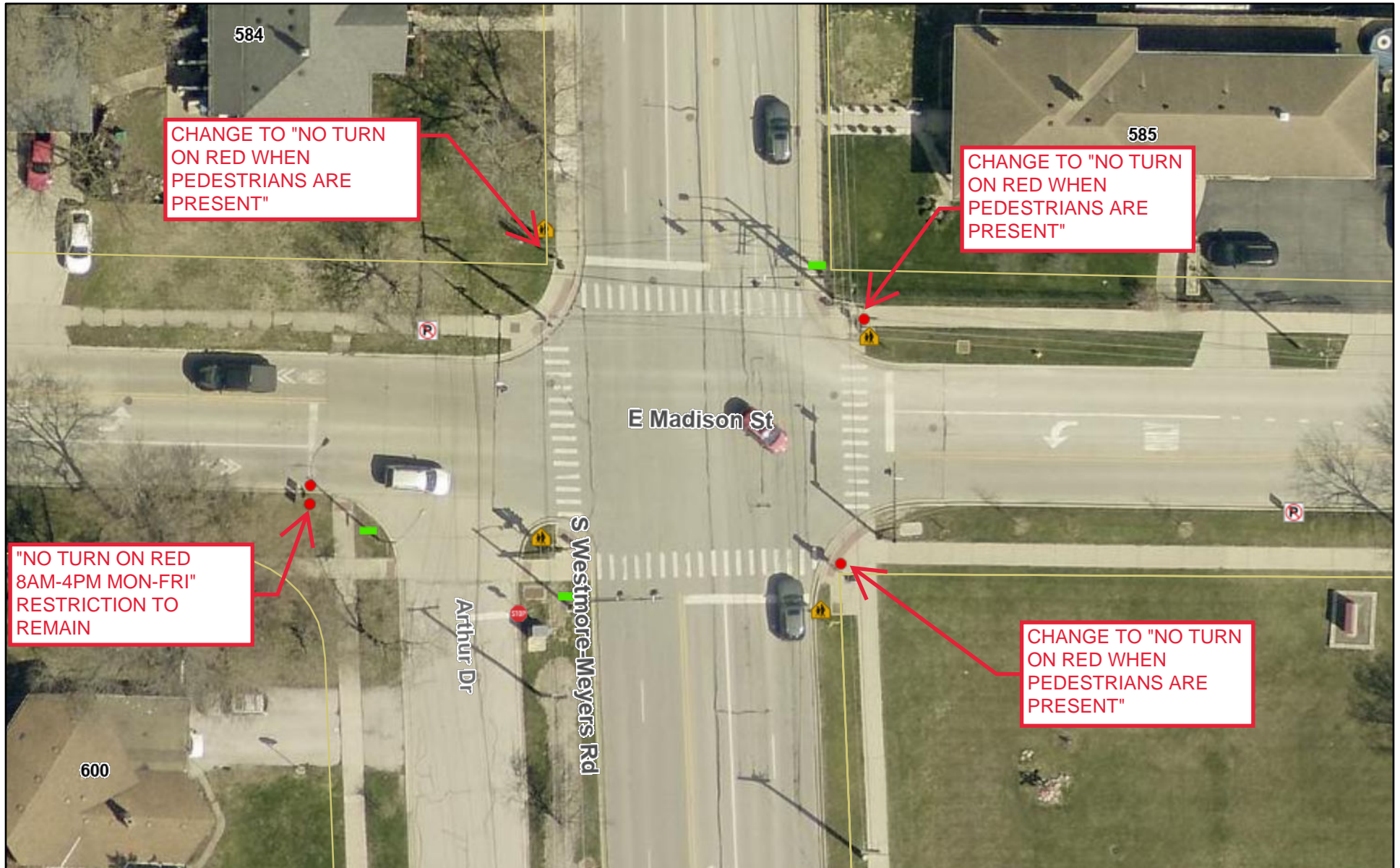
The Lombard Police Department provided traffic crash data from November 11th, 2020 to November 11th, 2025. There were 8 crashes total during the 5 year period with only 1 crash occurring between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday on the north, east, or south legs of the intersection. This is a significant reduction from the 25 crashes that occurred in the three years between August 2002 and July 2004, which included 18 crashes between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. See Exhibit B for crash data from the previous and current analyses.

This amendment to a No Turn on Red “when pedestrians are present” for northbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue, westbound traffic on Madison Street, and southbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue is consistent with the Village’s traffic code.

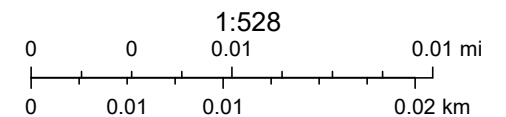
Recommendation

Staff recommends amending the Village Traffic Code to replace the language “8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday” with “when pedestrians are present” to the prohibition of right turns on red signals for northbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue, westbound traffic on Madison Street, and southbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Avenue. Staff recommends the Village Traffic Code remain the same for eastbound traffic on Madison Street. Exhibit C shows staff’s proposed changes to Schedule XIII of the Village’s Traffic Code.

Village of Lombard Public Works



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**Exhibit B - Westmore-Meyers Road at Madison Street Crash Data
Accidents (August 2002 - July 2004)**

Type of Accident	Number of Accidents	Number of Accidents between 8:00am and 4:00pm, Monday - Friday
Right angle	4	4
Left turn	2	0
Rear end	12	11
Misc.*	5	3
Reports not in file	2	?
Total	25	18

* Including lane change, vehicle malfunction, U-turn, and DUI

Accidents (November 2020 - November 2025)

Type of Accident	Number of Accidents	Number of Accidents between 8:00am and 4:00pm, Monday - Friday
Right angle	1	0
Left turn	2	1
Rear end	1	0
Misc.*	4	1**
Total	8	2

* Including backing up to stop bar, distracted biker running into a car, and backing out of driveways

**Eastbound on Madison

Exhibit C – Proposed Code Amendment

SCHEDULE XIII – RIGHT TURNS ON RED TRAFFIC SIGNALS

In accordance with Ordinance #1766, right turns on red traffic signals are prohibited at the following locations:

- a) At one corner: Westmore Ave. and St. Charles Rd. (traffic signal at southwest corner prohibiting east-bound traffic on St. Charles Rd. from turning right)
- b) northbound and southbound traffic on Highland Ave. shall not turn right on red onto Roosevelt Rd.
- c) northbound and southbound traffic on Main St. shall not turn right on red onto Roosevelt Rd.
- d) Westbound traffic on Madison shall not turn right on red onto Main Street.
- e) eastbound traffic on St. Charles Road shall not turn right on red onto Main Street between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- f) westbound Route 64 (North Avenue) shall not turn on red onto Main Street between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday.
- g) All four corners: Main Street and 22nd Street, when pedestrians are present.
- h) All four corners: Main Street and 16th Street, when pedestrians are present.

- i) westbound traffic on Parkside Avenue shall not turn right on red onto Main Street.
- j) Eastbound traffic on Madison Street shall not turn right onto Westmore-Meyers Road between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
- k) Westbound traffic on Madison Street shall not turn right onto Westmore-Meyers Road when pedestrians are present.
- l) Northbound and southbound traffic on Westmore-Meyers Road shall not turn right onto Madison Street when pedestrians are present.

- m) westbound traffic on Hickory Street shall not turn right on red onto Main Street, when pedestrians are present.

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