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Mayor and Council Members -

As a Jewel Box resident for nearly 60 years who drives the Cap Rd / 41st Ave corridor often several times a day, the NO RIGHT TURN from west bound Cap Rd to north bound 41st ranks right up there with the Bay Ave boondoggle. The bike boxes are never utilized - they are a waste of green paint. Traffic often backs up past the entrance and exits from Whole Foods, trapping people in the parking lot.

When the light turns green, if a pedestrian is crossing 41st Ave and the first car in line in the right hand lane wants to make a right turn, no one in the queue of vehicles moves. A free right turn in red, as was the case forever, would free up traffic movement and eliminate the pedestrian / vehicle conflict that has been created (right turn only at the same time pedestrians are allowed to cross).

Since the NO RIGHT TURN has been in effect, and passing through that intersection hundreds of times, I have witnessed ONLY ONE pedestrian crossing Cap Rd between the Chevron Station and Wells Fargo Bank. The conflict between cars making a right turn on red and pedestrians making that crossing is nearly non-existent while the right turn on green only has created daily vehicle/pedestrian conflicts.

Cars routinely cut through the Whole Foods parking lot to avoid the backup or make a right turn on red regardless of the prohibition. Like the Bay Ave boondoggle, the NO RIGHT TURN on red creates more unsafe driver actions and vehicle/pedestrian conflicts than it seeks to prohibit.

Finally, I have sat in the queue going westbound on Cap Rd only to have the light cycle to red after two or three cars are able to pass through the intersection. I have witnessed this occurrence multiple times, at all times during the day, and at all different levels of traffic. I have written Jessica Kahn multiple times regarding the timing only to be told every time the lights are functioning properly. It's obvious Ms Kahn does not drive the intersection frequently enough to experience the problem..

Please support removing the NO RIGHT TURN sign and bring some sanity back to this intersection. This was done by the same group that brought us the Bay Ave boondoggle if that's any indication how well thought out it was. And please instruct Ms Kahn to observe and check the light timing.

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Sent from my iPad