



## Public Works Agenda Item

Meeting Date:	September 10, 2024
Agenda Item:	Turning movement at Franklin Street and West Main Street
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### BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

This item was initially discussed at the August 13, 2024, Public Works meeting. During discussion the Committee asked for staff to look at the possibility of eliminating the right turn lane and adding a left turn arrow phase for northbound traffic. The question was also asked about Franklin Street being a truck route.

The following are approved streets for "heavy traffic": Janesville Street, *South Franklin Street*, North Tratt Street, Business Highway 12 and state/federal highway routes. Strand has indicated that in the 1980's Whitewater Street was the designated route for STH 59. At some point it got switched to Franklin Street, presumably to move traffic away from Cravath Lakefront Park. STH 59 is now routed onto STH 12 and then runs on Elkhorn Road, Milwaukee Street, and Newcomb Street.

Before Strand invested time into looking at a left turn arrow phase, they reviewed the turning movements from the left lane. As can be seen in the attached picture, semis would still be tracking onto the grass and sidewalk. In order for semis not to track onto the grass or sidewalk, they would need to encroach 9 feet into the west bound left turn lane on Main Street.

### PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

N/A

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

Unknown

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation at this time.

### ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Franklin Street Turning Movements