

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE October 23, 2009

TO Members of the Transportation and Environment Committee:
Linda L. Koop (Chair), Sheffie Kadane (Vice Chair), Jerry Allen, Tennell Atkins, Carolyn R. Davis, Angela Hunt, Delia Jasso, Pauline Medrano, Ron Natinsky

SUBJECT Crime Prevention Signs Briefing
October 26, 2009

Attached is the Crime Prevention Signs briefing that will be presented to you on Monday, October 26, 2009.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jill Jordan'.

Jill A. Jordan, P.E.
Assistant City Manager

Attachment

c: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
Mary K. Suhm, City Manager
Thomas P. Perkins, Jr., City Attorney
Deborah Watkins, City Secretary
Craig Kinton, City Auditor
Judge C. Victor Lander, Administrative Judge
Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager
A.C. Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager
Forest E. Turner, Assistant City Manager
David Cook, Chief Financial Officer
Jeanne Chipperfield, Director, Financial Services
Edward Scott, Director, Controller's Office
Helena Stevens-Thompson, Assistant to the City Manager – Council Office
Rick Galceran, P.E., Director, Public Works and Transportation
Theresa O'Donnell, Director, Sustainable Development and Construction

Crime Prevention Signs

**Presented to
Transportation
and Environment Committee
October 26, 2009**



Presenter: Elizabeth Ramirez, P.E.
Assistant Director
Public Works & Transportation



Background

- ❑ **Chapter 28-27.1 of the City Code designates our policy on installation of crime prevention signs**
- ❑ **Currently two types of signs allowed:**
 1. Crime Watch
 2. V.I.P. - Volunteer in Patrol
- ❑ **No operating budget for crime-prevention signs**
 - Applicants pay cost of sign and installation labor
- ❑ **Message Content**
 - Shall not contain information about specific neighborhood, neighborhood group, or other person or organization
 - Locations must be approved by Police & Traffic Engineer
 - Must be installed by city sign crews

Staff Recommendation

- ❑ Revise Chapter 28 to include option to install a standard crime prevention signs indicating neighborhoods have a camera surveillance system
- ❑ Unit costs to be paid by applicant
 - \$50 per sign if placed on existing post
 - \$85 per sign if placed on new post
- ❑ Revise city code to allow residents to mount signs on privately-owned fences



Proposed sign standard