

ORDINANCE NO. 854

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE, WASHINGTON ADDING CHAPTER 10.14 TO TITLE 10 OF THE OROVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE, DEFINING U-TURNS, PROHIBITING THEM IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS OF THE CITY, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, it has been brought to the attention of the Oroville City Council that U-turns on Main Street in the Central Business District have been steadily increasing; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the opinion of the City Council that U-turns on busy streets pose a threat to safety.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Oroville, Washington, do ordain as follows:

**Section 1** : There is hereby added to Title 10 of the Oroville Municipal Code a new Chapter 10.14 to read as follows:

**Chapter 10.14  
U-TURNS**

Sections:

**10.14.010. U-turn - Definition**

**10.14.020. "U" turns-Prohibited in certain locations.**

**10.14.030. Violation a civil infraction—Penalty.**

**10.14.010 U-turn - Definition**

"U-turn" means turning a vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction on the same roadway. *WAC 308-330-190*

**10.14.020. "U" turns-Prohibited in certain locations.**

(1) The driver of any vehicle shall not turn such vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction unless such movement can be made in safety and without interfering with other traffic. *RCW 46.61.295(1)*

(2) No vehicle shall be turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction upon any curve, or upon the approach to or near the crest of a grade, where such vehicle cannot be seen by the driver of any other vehicle approaching from either direction within five hundred feet. *RCW 46.61.295(1)*

(3) Any posted school zones.

(4) State Highway 97 as it currently exists within the City, or may exist within the City in the future.

(5) Where otherwise posted.


**10.14.030 Violation a civil infraction—Penalty.**

Failure to perform any act required, or the performance of any act prohibited by this chapter, is designated as a civil infraction and any person, firm or corporation found to have committed such a civil infraction shall be assessed a monetary penalty; which penalty may not exceed one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00) for each offense. Each day during which a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense and separate penalties may be assessed for each separate offense.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage by the City Council, approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE** this 4th day of October, 2016.

**APPROVED:**

  
Jon R. Neal, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
JoAnn Denney, City Clerk/Treasurer