

Item 6.

City of Austin Distracted Driving Ordinance Update

Citations to date.

Below APD has broken down the number of citations regarding the enforcement numbers for the new hand's free ordinance that have been filed in Municipal Court . Please keep in mind that the February and March numbers have changed slightly since our last release to APD and media due to tickets submitted at a later date.

The court does not have any information on written warnings. Also, actual citations started being cited on February 1st.

2015

February	556
March	491
April	551
May	389
Total	1,987

Thank you,

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Current status of sign placement of distracted driving.

The hands free device signage differs on City of Austin and TxDOT roadways due to different sign regulations. The City signs are the blue signs with white text, and the TxDOT signs are white signs with black text.

To date, there are 20 City of Austin roadway locations identified for City sign placement. 17 of those locations are installed and there are 3 planned for future installation. On TxDOT roadways there are 77 locations identified for signage; 4 have been installed, 48 locations have been approved by TxDOT and sign installation is underway, 23 locations are pending TxDOT approval, and 2 locations are planned for future installation request to TxDOT.

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