Gate

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Traffic counters are numbers. An interpretation of the data would be dual lines and able to distinguish between cars, trucks and buses. Public Works Director Miller said he is not sure and Town Manager Grady would be dual lines on cars, trucks and buses are believed to be a factor of concern for this study. Speed can also be monitored, although that is not believed to be a factor of concern for this study. The data will show numbers, time and type of traffic for the day, week and month. The study will not be complete until late May and June meetings. With the data would be ready complete until late May and June meetings. With the data would be ready for the council for one of its meetings. With the council meeting in July, it would likely be at least August before it revisits the gate issue, according to Miller.

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