New Security Measures Will Help Control Access To Main Campus’s Service Drive

Driving and Parking on Service Drive under Buildings To Be Restricted to Maintenance, Emergency, and Essential Business Purposes Starting March 5

UTSA is enhancing access control for the service drive gates in the core of Main Campus. Security gates will become operational at the McKinney Humanities (MH), Business Building (BB), and Applied Engineering and Technology (AET) buildings’ service drive entrances on March 5. UTSA Business Affairs staff installed new gates, cameras, and radio-frequency identification (RFID) readers at these entrances.

The service drive entrance at the Arts Building (ART) will be closed on March 5 until the SEB Building is near completion, likely in 2020.

UTSA Police Department will determine which campus vehicles will be authorized to use the service drive for official UTSA business. They will review and approve or deny vehicles that arrive at the service drive gates. They will also enforce violations, including the standard 30-minute parking restrictions.

This effort is aimed at improving the overall safety of the campus community as well as ensuring that emergency vehicles can pass through the drive.

The buildings primarily impacted by this change include: MH, MS, BB, JPL, FLN, ART, EB, BSB, BSE, and AET. The loading docks under the Arts Building will be accessible by entering through the secured gates at the MH, AET, or BB buildings.

A call button is available at the gates, where drivers can request permission from the police to enter. The police dispatcher will view all arrivals via a monitor in the police station, ask the drivers several questions, verify the drivers’ need to enter the service drive, and log their presence. The questions may include driver name, company name, driver’s license number, vehicle make/model/color, license plate number, location of delivery/access and the reason for entry.

UTSA will post signs in the upcoming month to inform drivers that authorized vehicles only will be permitted passage to the service drive. Testing of the gates and full security system will be conducted by mid-February and are expected to be operating beginning March 5. The remote control devices used in the past will no longer activate the gate arms.

When appropriate, deliveries should be made through the Purchasing Department’s Central Receiving Warehouse. Please visit http://bit.ly/UTSAgates for more information about this security measure or contact UTSA Security Services at 210.458.6855 or Security.Services@utsa.edu.
UTSA Service Drive to be Restricted to Essential Vehicles Only, Beginning March 5

30-Minute Parking for Most Deliveries Will Be Enforced