

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA

ITEM 56

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-075
FEBRUARY 17, 1997 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
TRAFFIC REGULATION CHANGES	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	HAROLD E. SMITH CITY ENGINEER

SYNOPSIS —

The following traffic regulation changes have been reviewed by staff and are recommended for approval:

1. Request from Neo-Data for additional handicapped parking meters in front of their business on the west side of 10th Street;
2. Request from AIDS Project of Central Iowa for handicapped parking meters;
3. Request from Fred Wegner, Des Moines Access Advisory Board, for ten-hour handicapped parking meters at various locations; and
4. Request to repeal handicapped parking meters due to studies showing low occupancy rates.

FISCAL IMPACT —

N/A.

RECOMMENDATION —

Refer to Legal Department for preparation of ordinance revisions.

BACKGROUND —

1. In accordance with a request by Neo-Data to provide additional handicapped parking meters in the vicinity of their business, the Traffic and Transportation Division has installed several new handicapped parking meters adjacent to the loading zone in front of the business, on the west side of 10th Street. To make these meters as user friendly for the handicapped as possible, the newly-installed meters were also changed from four-hour meters to ten-hour meters, eliminating the necessity of requiring a handicapped person to move their parked vehicle at the end of the four-hour time limit, or illegally feeding the parking meter.

The following ordinance change will convert two previously existing handicapped parking meters on the east side of the street, across from Neo-Data, to ten-hour meters so that we are consistent in this area.

SEC. 27-2796. TENTH STREET--CHERRY STREET TO MULBERRY STREET.

Tenth Street, on the west side, parking meters 10-108 and 10-110, ~~four~~ ten-hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., are designated a handicapped parking spaces and are subject to the same prohibition as is found in Section 27-616(a) of this Code.

2. In accordance with a request for handicap parking by the AIDS Project of Central Iowa, the following two parking meters are designated handicapped parking meters: 10-504 and 10-506.

The following ordinance change will put this designation into effect.

SEC. 27-2800. TENTH STREET--GRAND AVENUE TO HIGH STREET.

Tenth Street, on the west side, parking meters 10-504 and 10-506, are designated as ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and are designated a handicapped parking space and are subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

3. In accordance with a request from Mr. Fred Wegner, Chair of the City of Des Moines Access Advisory Board, the parking meters listed in the ordinances below, at various locations, are designated-handicapped and ten-hour meters. The ordinance changes listed below will place these conversions into effect.

SEC. 27-2805. COURT AVENUE--SECOND AVENUE TO THIRD STREET.

Court Avenue, on the south side, parking meter C-216, is designated a ten-hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

SEC. 27-2820. LOCUST STREET--EAST FIRST STREET TO SECOND AVENUE.

Locust Street, on the south side, parking meter BL-56 is designated a ten hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

Locust Street, on the north side, parking meter BL-69 is designated a ten hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

SEC. 27-2916. EAST GRAND AVENUE--EAST SIXTH STREET TO PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, parking meter EG-600 is designated a ten hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

SEC. 27-2950. WALNUT STREET--TENTH STREET TO ELEVENTH STREET.

Walnut Street, on the south side, parking meter W-1016 is designated a ten hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.

4. In accordance with various occupancy studies conducted by the Traffic and Transportation Division, the ordinance changes listed below will repeal the handicap restriction on various parking meters. These following requests to repeal these handicapped restrictions are based on the

results of our studies showing very low occupancy rates for these parking meters over extended periods of time.

SEC. 27-2811. GRAND AVENUE--FIFTH AVENUE TO SIXTH AVENUE.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, parking meter G-514, two hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.~~

SEC. 27-2815. GRAND AVENUE--NINTH STREET TO TENTH STREET.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, parking meter G-908, two hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.~~

SEC. 27-2942. PARK STREET--SECOND AVENUE TO FOURTH STREET.

~~Park Street, on the north side, parking meter P-301, ten hour meter, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 27-616(a) of this code.~~