



**Council Communication No. 97-320**

**SYNOPSIS –**

The following traffic regulation change has been reviewed by staff and is recommended for approval:

A. Request for Two-Sided Parking Restriction--East Virginia Avenue between SE 20th and SE 22nd Streets.

**FISCAL IMPACT –**

N/A.

**RECOMMENDATION –**

**Refer to Legal Department for preparation of ordinance revisions.**

**BACKGROUND –**

Following an accident that occurred on May 15, 1997 involving a young child crossing East Virginia Avenue, staff was request to review the need to remove the parking on East Virginia Avenue between SE 20th and SE 22nd Streets in order to provide additional visibility for young children crossing the street.

Staff has reviewed this location. Parking is currently prohibited on the north side of the street with parking allowed along the south side. A considerable amount of on-street parking takes place in this area. An apartment complex exists along each side of the street with a play area on the north side attracting a number of children to cross to East Virginia Avenue.

A police officer assigned to this area also contacted staff recommending that parking be eliminated in this area due to the number of children crossing the street. He indicated that speeding did not appear to be a problem.

Staff has contacted the management personnel at the affected apartment complex, and they are in favor of this parking restriction.

This item was approved by the Traffic Safety Committee at their June 10, 1997, meeting. The following ordinance revision is needed to cause this change:

**SEC. 27-2680. EAST VIRGINIA AVENUE--SOUTH UNION STREET TO SOUTHEAST TWENTY-SECOND STREET.**

East Virginia Avenue, on the south side, from a point 130 feet east of Southeast Twentieth Street to a point 240 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

East Virginia Avenue, on the south side, from Southeast Twenty-second Street to a point 175 feet west thereof, no parking anytime.

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