

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 98-082
MARCH 2, 1998 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:

TRAFFIC REGULATION CHANGES

SUBMITTED BY:

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SYNOPSIS –

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

1. Request for corner clearance--west side of Forty-fourth Street south of University Avenue.
2. Request for corner clearance--west side of Williams Street north of University Avenue.
3. Request for removal of loading zone and placement of two parking meters in its place--north side of Pleasant Street between Ninth Street and Tenth Street.
4. Request for commercial loading zone by Principal Mutual Life Insurance Company--north side of Maple Street west of East Fourth Street.
5. Request for additional parking in the vicinity of Sec Taylor Stadium.
6. Request for commercial loading zone– 300 block of East Grand Avenue.

FISCAL IMPACT –

N/A

RECOMMENDATION –

Refer to Legal Department for preparation of ordinance revisions.

BACKGROUND –

1. At a citizen' s request, staff reviewed the intersection of University Avenue and Forty-fourth Street for the possibility of a “ corner clearance” no parking zone. Staff recommends the following ordinance change to provide a 50-foot no parking area on the west side of Forty-fourth Street south of University Avenue to help the flow of traffic at this location.

SEC. 27-1901. FORTY-FOURTH STREET– DEAD END SOUTH OF GRAND AVENUE TO OVID AVENUE.

Forty-fourth Street, on the west side, from University Avenue to a point 50 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

2. Because of construction at the Williams Street and University Avenue intersection and the subsequent re-striping of the southbound approach of Williams Street, the following parking prohibition is necessary to allow for the movement of traffic through this area.

SEC. 27-2745. WILLIAMS STREET– DEAN AVENUE TO EAST OVID AVENUE.

Williams Street, on the west side, from East University Avenue to a point ~~50~~ 350 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Williams Street, on the east side, from a point ~~75 feet south of East University Avenue~~ Maple Street to East Sheridan Avenue, no parking any time.

3. The business on the north side of Pleasant Street, between Ninth and Tenth Streets (Hawthorn Hill) has been closed for several months and the building is vacant. There is no valid need for the existing loading zone. The recommended ordinance change below will eliminate this loading zone and provide two additional parking metered spaces in an area with a high need for additional parking spaces.

SEC. 27-2541. PLEASANT STREET– EIGHTH STREET TO NINTH STREET.

~~Pleasant Street, on the south side, from a point 90 feet west of Eighth Street to a point 25 feet west thereof, commercial loading zone.~~

SEC. 27-2840. PLEASANT STREET– NINTH STREET TO TENTH STREET.

Pleasant Street, on the north side, from Ninth Street to a point ~~85 feet east of~~ Tenth Street, four hour meters, 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

~~Pleasant Street, on the north side, from Tenth Street to a point 40 feet east thereof, four hour meters, 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.~~

~~Pleasant Street, on the south side, from Ninth Street to a point 40 feet west of Tenth Street, four-hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.~~

4. The Traffic and Transportation Division has been contacted by Edward Graglia, Senior Property Manager with the Principal Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr. Graglia manages the River Hills Business Park Principal Properties. Recently, the United States Department of Commerce leased space in a building at 300 East Maple Street. Because of the type of in-and-out traffic that the Department of Commerce will create, Mr. Graglia expressed the need for a

commercial loading zone adjacent to this building. Traffic and Transportation staff has reviewed the request and the area in question and recommends approval of the request of Mr. Graglia. The following ordinance change will create the desired commercial loading zone.

SEC. 27-2434. MAPLE STREET– EAST FIRST STREET TO KNOB HILL DRIVE.

Maple Street, on the south side, from East Second Street to East ~~Third~~ Fourth Street, no parking any time.

Maple Street, on the north side, from a point 166 feet west of East Fourth Street to a point 35 feet west thereof, commercial loading zone.

5. The Traffic and Transportation Division has been working with Sam Bernabe, the General Manager of the Iowa Cubs, over the past two years to assist in providing additional parking in the vicinity of Sec Taylor Stadium during both evening and daytime baseball games.

The proposed ordinance changes are expected to enhance the image of the City by providing additional parking spaces for patrons of an activity that draws from a very large geographical area. The proposed changes will provide additional parking during normal evening baseball times. These ordinance changes are not deemed to be detrimental to traffic flow in this area and will actually add parking in areas that were originally restricted because of old traffic patterns related to business congestion and street usage that are no longer valid.

SEC. 27-1562. SOUTHWEST FIRST STREET– VINE STREET TO DAVIS STREET.

Southwest First Street, on the east side, from Market Street to a point 400 feet south thereof, no parking ~~any time~~ 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

SEC. 27-1577. SOUTHWEST SECOND STREET– VINE STREET TO LALLY STREET.

Southwest Second Street, on the east side, from Market Street to ~~Southwest Third~~ Elm Street, no parking ~~any time~~ 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

SEC. 27-1590. SOUTHWEST THIRD STREET– VINE STREET TO ARMY POST ROAD.

Southwest Third Street, on the west side, from Vine Street to Market Street, no parking any time.

Southwest Third Street, on the west side, from ~~Vine~~ Elm Street to Jackson Avenue, no parking any time.

Southwest Third Street, on the east side, from ~~Market~~ Elm Street to Jackson Avenue, no parking any time.

Southwest Third Street, on both sides, from Market Street to Elm Street, no parking 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

SEC. 27-2439. MARKET STREET– SOUTHWEST FIRST STREET TO SOUTHWEST SIXTH STREET.

Market Street, on the north side, from Southwest First Street to Southwest Third Street, no parking ~~any time~~ 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

SEC. 27-2569. RIVERSIDE DRIVE– COURT AVENUE TO SOUTHEAST FIRST STREET.

Riverside Drive, on both sides, from Court Avenue to ~~the south end of the Riverside Drive Bridge~~ a point 255 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

Riverside Drive, on the west side, from a point 255 feet south of Court Avenue to Southwest First Street, no parking any time.

Riverside Drive, on the east side, from a point 255 feet south of Court Avenue to a point 140 feet north of Southwest First Street, no parking ~~any time~~ 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

6. Mark Vukovich, President of Dewey Ford, has requested the installation of a loading zone adjacent to his lubrication business in the 300 block of East Grand Avenue. The Traffic and Transportation Division has reviewed this request and concurs. The requested ordinance changes have been discussed with Mr. Vukovich, who agrees that they will alleviate the congestion that the business is presently experiencing. The following ordinance changes will implement a new 100-foot loading zone in front of this new business and will also create two additional two hour parking metered spaces for customer parking for both Dewey Ford and the new lubrication business.

Because of the amount of congestion currently experienced, these changes have been implemented by Police Order until the appropriate ordinance changes are made.

SEC. 27-2236. EAST GRAND AVENUE– EAST FIRST STREET TO EAST FOURTH STREET.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 60 feet east of East Second Street to a point ~~240~~ 70 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 130 feet east of East Second Street to a point 100 feet east thereof, loading zone.

SEC. 27-2948. EAST GRAND AVENUE– DES MOINES RIVER BRIDGE TO EAST FOURTH STREET.

East Grand Avenue on the south side, from a point ~~270~~ 230 feet east of East Second Street to East Fourth Street, two hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.