



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

99-396

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

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

SEPTEMBER 13, 1999

SUBJECT:

TRAFFIC
REGULATION
CHANGES

1. Parking Restriction Modifications-Beaver Avenue South of Urbandale Avenue.
2. Corner Clearance Parking Restriction-East Side of East 10th Street North of East Seneca Avenue.
3. Relocation of Parking Meters and Loading Zone Installation-North Side of East Grand Avenue East of East 6th Street.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

FISCAL IMPACT -

N/A

SUBMITTED BY:

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

RECOMMENDATION -

Receive, file, and refer to Legal Department for proper legislation.

BACKGROUND -

1. In conjunction with the restriping of Beaver Avenue in the vicinity of Urbandale Avenue earlier this summer, parking was restricted on the west side of Beaver Avenue from Urbandale Avenue south for a distance of 95 feet to allow traffic to transition from the three-lane section north of Urbandale to the two-lane section to the south. The restriping project has been completed, and staff has determined that parking can be allowed in the south 25 feet of this restricted area without affecting the flow of traffic. This additional parking will be beneficial to the adjacent businesses in the Beaverville area.

The following revisions in the Municipal Code are necessary to effect this change:

SEC. 27-1976. BEAVER AVENUE-FRANKLIN AVENUE TO URBANDALE AVENUE.

Beaver Avenue, ~~on both sides,~~ on the east side, from Urbandale Avenue to a point 95 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

Beaver Avenue, on the west side, from Urbandale Avenue to a point 70 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

2. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from a resident regarding visibility and turning difficulties due to parked vehicles on East 10th Street at the intersection of East Seneca Avenue. In order to provide adequate visibility for turning vehicles at this intersection, staff recommends that a 50-foot "corner clearance" no parking zone be established on the east side of East 10th Street north of East Seneca Avenue. The following revision in the Municipal Code is necessary to effect this change:

SEC. 27-1685. EAST TENTH STREET-DES MOINES STREET TO EAST AURORA AVENUE.

East Tenth Street, on the east side, from East Seneca Avenue to a point 50 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

3. Dennis Sharp, a principal of FEH Architects, 608 East Grand Avenue, has asked the Traffic and Transportation Division to determine if it is possible to install a loading zone in front of his business on East Grand Avenue. Because of constant in and out traffic from delivery services and vendors, FEH feels that the installation of a loading zone would be an asset for their business. The Traffic and Transportation Division has determined that by relocating several parking metered spaces further east on East Grand Avenue, a 20-foot area adjacent to FEH's entrance drive can be created to serve as a Loading Zone without any loss of on-street parking spaces. The following proposed ordinance modifications would implement these changes:

SEC. 27-2239. EAST GRAND AVENUE-EAST SIXTH STREET TO PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from a point 60 feet east

of East Sixth Street to a point 30 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from a point 90 feet east of East Sixth Street to a point 20 feet east thereof, loading zone.

SEC. 27-2951. EAST GRAND AVENUE-EAST SIXTH STREET TO PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from East Sixth Street to a point 60 feet east thereof, ~~215 feet west of Pennsylvania Avenue~~, four hour meters, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from a point 110 feet east of East Sixth Street to a point 250 feet east thereof, four hour meters, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.