

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

02-347

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

AGENDA:

JULY 8, 2002

SYNOPSIS -

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

SUBJECT:

TRAFFIC
REGULATION
CHANGES

1. Corner Clearance-East Side of SW 13th Street north of Park Avenue.

2. Reversal of Loading Zone and Handicapped Loading Zone-3rd Street North of Vine Street.

3. Corner Clearance-South Side of Lynner Drive East and West of Oakshire Road.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

4. Parking Restriction-West Side of East 27th Court South of Easton Boulevard.

FISCAL IMPACT -

SUBMITTED BY:

JEB E. BREWER, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

Minor costs for signing to be paid from the Traffic and Transportation Operating Budget.

RECOMMENDATION -

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

BACKGROUND -

1. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from a citizen regarding turning difficulties due to parked vehicles on SW 13th Street north of Park Avenue. In order to increase visibility for vehicles at this intersection, staff recommends that a 60-foot corner clearance no parking zone be established on the east side of SW 13th Street north of Park Avenue. The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary to place this change into effect.

**SEC. 114-2744. SOUTHWEST THIRTEENTH STREET-
PLEASANTVIEW DRIVE TO HAVENS AVENUE.**

Southwest Thirteenth Street, on the east side, from Park Avenue to a point 60 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

2. At the request of Mr. Jack Hillyard, with Iowa Creative Employment Options, 108 - 3rd Street, Suite 350, the City of Des Moines has been asked to "swap" places with an existing loading zone and an existing handicapped loading zone. The handicapped loading zone's location is among several street trees that make it impossible for a van mounted ramp to be lowered, thus restricting the usefulness of the handicapped loading area. The adjacent loading zone is free of any type of obstructions. The Traffic and Transportation Division has reviewed this area and agrees that the simple solution would be to swap the locations of the loading zone and the handicapped loading area. The following ordinance changes will implement this change.

SEC. 114-2603. THIRD STREET-VINE STREET TO COURT AVENUE.

Third Street, on the west side, from Vine Street to a point 225 feet south of Court Avenue 125 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Third Street, on the west side, from a point 125 feet north of Vine Street to a point 25 feet north thereof, is designated a handicapped loading zone and is subject to the same prohibitions as are found in subsection 114-616(a) and in section 114-608 of this chapter.

Third Street, on the west side, from a point 150 feet north of Vine Street to a point 25 feet north thereof, commercial loading zone.

Third Street, on the west side, from a point 175 feet north of Vine Street to a point 225 feet south of Court Avenue, no parking any time.

3. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from a resident to restrict parking on the south side of Lynner Drive at the intersection of Oakshire Road. In order to provide adequate visibility for vehicles at this intersection, staff recommends that a 50-foot no parking zone be established on the south side of Lynner Drive east and west of Oakshire Road. The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary to place this change into effect.

**SEC. 114-3443. LYNNER DRIVE-MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
PARKWAY TO AURORA AVENUE.**

Lynner Drive, on the south side, from a point 50 feet east of Oakshire Road to a point 50 feet west of Oakshire Road, no parking any time.

4. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from the resident at 1621 East 27th Court regarding difficulties backing out of his driveway due to parked vehicles on the west side of East 27th Court. This resident has had several vertebrae fused, which makes it very difficult to turn his head enough to see directly behind while backing out of the driveway. Staff does not normally recommend parking restrictions behind individual driveways, because that application could be almost unlimited. However, in order to accommodate this request based on a medical condition, staff recommends that a 30-foot no parking zone be established on the west side of East 27th Court south of Easton Boulevard. The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary to place this change into effect.

SEC. 114-2841. EAST TWENTY-SEVENTH COURT-MAPLE STREET TO EAST JEFFERSON AVENUE.

East Twenty-seventh Court, on the west side, from a point 230 feet south of Easton Boulevard to a point 30 feet south thereof, no parking any time.
