

CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:

02-616

AGENDA:

DECEMBER 2, 2002

SUBJECT:

TRAFFIC  
REGULATION  
CHANGES

TYPE:

RESOLUTION  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

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ITEM 27

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

**SYNOPSIS —**

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

1. Corner Clearance--West Side of Lyndale North of Hillcrest Drive.
2. Rush Hour Parking Restriction--East Side of 5th Avenue North of Grand Avenue.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Minor costs for signing and parking meters 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 school bus driver to restrict parking on the west side of Lyndale Drive at its intersection with Skyline Drive. In order to provide adequate visibility and maneuverability for vehicles at this curve, staff recommends that a no parking zone be established on the west side of Lyndale Drive north of Hillcrest Drive. The following revision in the Municipal Code is necessary to effect this change.

**SEC. 114-3447. LYNDAL DRIVE--LINDLAVISTA WAY TO SKYLINE DRIVE.**

Lyndale Drive, on the west side, from a point 250 feet north of Hillcrest Drive to a point 110 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

2. At the request of Sam Gelb, Vice-President, The Graham Group, the City of Des Moines was asked to consider changing the morning rush hour restriction on the parking meters immediately in front of the Insurance Exchange Building. This area is on the east side of 5th Avenue north of Grand Avenue. The change in

restriction is related to the recent conversion of 5th Avenue to two-way traffic. Vehicles dropping off passengers in this area during the morning rush hour are double-parking in the northbound traffic lane, which obstructs the single traffic lane for vehicles turning northbound from Grand Avenue. Traffic and Transportation has reviewed this area and concurs with the concerns voiced by Mr. Gelb. The following ordinance changes will institute a morning rush hour restriction in this area. This will remove the vehicles parked at the six parking meters and in the loading zone, allowing an area for vehicles to drop off passengers without obstructing the traffic lane.

**SEC. 114-2632. FIFTH AVENUE--GRAND AVENUE TO WATSON POWELL JR. WAY.**

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from a point 50 feet north of Grand Avenue to a point 35 feet north thereof, commercial loading zone, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from ~~a point 335 feet north of~~ Grand Avenue to Watson Powell Jr. Way, no parking 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

**SEC. 114-3873. FIFTH AVENUE--GRAND AVENUE TO WATSON POWELL JR. WAY.**

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, parking meter 5-513, two hour meter, ~~8:00~~ 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from Grand Avenue to a point 50 feet north thereof, two-hour meters, ~~8:00~~ 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from a point 85 feet north of Grand Avenue to a point 100 feet north thereof, two-hour meters, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

