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# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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# SUBJECT—

Traffic Regulation Changes

### SYNOPSIS—

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

- A. Loading Zone—East Side of 13<sup>th</sup> Street South of Forest Avenue.
- B. Parking Restriction Extension—East Side of SW 6th Street South of Elm Street.
- C. Loading Zone—East Side of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South of Watson Powell Jr. Way

## FISCAL IMPACT—

Minor costs for signing to be paid from the Traffic and Transportation operating budget.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**—

Approval

#### **BACKGROUND**—

A. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from Creative Visions, 1343 13<sup>th</sup> Street, regarding difficulties loading and unloading bus passengers due to parked vehicles on 13<sup>th</sup> Street adjacent to their building. In order to better provide wheelchair accessibility, staff recommends that a 100-foot loading zone and 60-foot no parking zone be established on the east side of 13<sup>th</sup> Street south of Forest Avenue. The following revisions in the Municipal Code are necessary to place this change into effect.

Sec. 114-2740. Thirteenth Street—Park Street to Shawnee Avenue.

Thirteenth Street, on the east side, from Forest Avenue to a point 160 60 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

Thirteenth Street, on the east side, from a point 60 feet south of Forest Avenue to a point 100 feet south thereof, loading zone.

B. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request from Paul Benschoter, Iowa Import, requesting no parking in front of his business at 323 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Street, since parked vehicles have blocked his loading dock area. The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary so that parking enforcement can take place in this downtown business area.

Sec. 114-2658. Southwest Sixth Street—Vine Street to Army Post Road.

Southwest Sixth Street, on the east side, from Market Street to a point 100 335 feet south of Elm Street, no parking any time.

C. The Traffic and Transportation Division received a request for a loading zone from residents of Liguitti Tower. They requested that the loading zone be placed in front of their building where metered parking spots are currently located. The residents have been experiencing difficulties when they drive into the parking garage and then are required to assist individuals upstairs to their rooms while leaving their vehicles unattended. The Traffic and Transportation Division concurred with their request. The following change to the Municipal Code will place this loading zone into effect.

Sec. 114-2632. Fifth Avenue—Grand Avenue to Watson Powell, Jr. Way

<u>Fifth Avenue</u>, on the east side, from a point 212 feet south of Watson Powell, Jr. Way to a point 21 feet south thereof, loading zone.

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