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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. Corner Clearance—North Side of Creston Avenue West of SW 12th Street.
- B. Stop Sign on Gray Street at SE 3rd Street.
- C. Allow Parking—East Side of 19th Street from Woodland Avenue South to the Alley.

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 a resident regarding turning difficulties due to parked vehicles on Creston Avenue at the intersection of SW 12th Street. In order to provide adequate visibility for vehicles at this intersection, staff recommends that a 65-foot “corner clearance” no parking zone be established on the north side of Creston Avenue west of SW 12th Street. The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary to place this restriction into effect.

Sec. 114-3125. Creston Avenue—Southwest Ninth Street to Southwest Sixty-third Street.

Creston Avenue, on the north side, from Southwest Twelfth Street to a point 65 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

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- B. Staff received a request from area residents that a stop sign be installed on SE 3rd Street at Gray Street. Concern was expressed that southbound traffic was not slowing/stopping at this uncontrolled "T" intersection, creating difficulties for Gray Street traffic and also for pedestrians in the area. This intersection is also in very close proximity to the intersection of Gray Street and Indianola Avenue.

Staff concurs in this request and recommends that this stop sign be installed. The following ordinance revision is necessary to authorize placement of this stop sign.

Sec. 114-2220. Gray Street.

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Gray Street, at Southeast Third Street, stop.

- C. The Traffic and Transportation Division has received a request from a resident at 19th Street and Woodland Avenue to allow parking on the east side of 19th Street from Woodland Avenue south one-half block to the alley. For many years, 19th Street has been designated as a one-way street southbound between Woodland Avenue and High Street, to prohibit commuter traffic from using 19th Street as a shortcut from the downtown through the Sherman Hill Neighborhood to connect to the interchange of 19th Street with I-235.

Currently, parking is prohibited on both sides of 19th Street between High Street and Woodland Avenue. Allowing parking on the east side of 19th Street, from Woodland Avenue south to the alley, would provide some additional needed parking for the adjacent apartment building, and would also be in keeping with the Sherman Hill Neighborhood desire to make the one-way street southbound traffic flow more visible and effective. Staff concurs with this request, and has met with a representative of the Sherman Hill committee for the neighborhood traffic-calming project, who also concurs with the request.

The following ordinance change is necessary to allow the parking as requested.

Sec. 114-2788. Nineteenth Street—Grand Avenue to Woodland Avenue.

Nineteenth Street, on both sides, from Grand Avenue to the alley north of High Street
~~Woodland Avenue~~, no parking any time.

Nineteenth Street, on the west side, from the alley north of High Street to Woodland
Avenue, no parking any time.

Nineteenth Street, on the east side, from Woodland Avenue to a point 25 feet south
thereof, no parking any time.