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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. Petition for One-Sided Parking Restriction—Crestmoor Drive between Bel-Aire Road and 50th Street.
- B. Request to Remove Two-Sided Parking Restriction—Wolcott Avenue between SW 30th and SW 31st Streets.

FISCAL IMPACT—

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

BACKGROUND—

A. On October 10, 2005, by Roll Call No. 05-2480, the City Council referred a petition for a one-sided parking restriction on Crestmoor Drive from 50th Street to Bel-Aire Road to the Traffic Safety Committee for review. The petition was signed by residents at 33 of the 50 affected properties (66 percent). There was some preference shown for parking on the west side of the street.

Currently, parking is allowed on both sides of Crestmoor Drive, from 50th Street to Bel-Aire Road. This street is 24 feet wide with several curves along its length. Vehicles parked on the inside of these curves could restrict visibility of oncoming traffic.

The petitioner and neighborhood association were notified of the upcoming Traffic Safety Committee meeting. There was no one present from these groups at the meeting.

Based on the consensus of the residents and to minimize parking along the inside of the curves, staff recommends that parking be prohibited on the west (and south) side of Crestmoor Drive, from 50th Street to Bel-Aire Road.

At their November 8, 2005 meeting, the Traffic Safety Committee approved staff's recommendation. The following change to the Municipal Code will place this parking prohibition into effect.

Sec. 114-3122.5 Crestmoor Drive—Bel-Aire Road to Fifty-first Street.

Crestmoor Drive, on the west (and south) sides, from Bel-Aire Road to Fifty-first Street, no parking any time.

B. Recently, staff received two letters from directly-affected residents along Wolcott between SW 30th and SW 31st Streets requesting the removal of the parking restriction on the north side of Wolcott.

The current two-sided parking restriction was enacted in October 2004 after a neighborhood petition was received requesting that parking be prohibited on the north side of Wolcott. The petition included signatures from two of the five directly-affected residents as well as others who drove on Wolcott, but resided on neighboring streets. Upon receiving the petition in 2004, staff reviewed the request and recommended that parking on the north side remain, but the existing 50-foot "corner clearance" parking restriction on the north side of Wolcott Avenue east of SW 31st Street be extended to a 100-foot parking restriction. After reviewing the request and hearing comments from residents present at the meeting, the Traffic Safety Committee passed a motion at their October 19, 2004 meeting to restrict parking on both sides of Wolcott.

Notification letters were sent to all of the directly-affected residents. Two residents were present at the Traffic Safety Committee and discussed this item. There is not a consensus of the directly affected residents regarding this parking issue.

Based on the recent request and the residential nature of the street, staff does not see an overriding reason to restrict parking on the north side of Wolcott Avenue between SW 30th and SW 31st Streets. Staff recommends that the parking restriction on the north side of Wolcott between SW 30th and SW 31st Street be removed and that a 100-foot "corner clearance" parking restriction be enacted on the north side of Wolcott east of SW 31st Street.

At their November 8, 2005 meeting, the Traffic Safety Committee approved staff's recommendation. The following change to the Municipal Code will remove the parking restriction.

Sec. 114-3788. Wolcott Avenue—Southwest Ninth Street to Southwest Thirty-seventh Street.

Wolcott Avenue, on the north and south side, from Southwest Thirtieth Street to Southwest Thirty-first Street, no parking any time.

Wolcott Avenue, on the north side, from Southwest Thirty-first Street to a point 100 feet east thereof, no parking any time.