



**Council  
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Office of the City Manager

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**Agenda Item No.** 41  
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**Communication No.** 07-002  
**Submitted by:** **Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.**  
City Engineer

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding traffic regulation changes as follows:

- A. Removal of parking restriction due to I-235 Construction—North Side of Crocker Street West of 31<sup>st</sup> Street.
- B. Provisions for bus loading at St. Anthony’s School, 15 Indianola Avenue.
- C. Parking Restriction—West Side of Knob Hill Drive from Timber Lane to the Dead End South.
- D. Parking Restriction—East Side of 31<sup>st</sup> Street from the cul-de-sac to South of Carpenter Avenue.
- E. Request for Stop Signs—E. Jefferson Avenue at E. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- F. Parking Restriction—Both sides of Grandview Avenue from the Dead End East of E. 42<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- G. Parking Restriction—North side of Gannett Avenue from SW 28<sup>th</sup> Street West to the Dead End.
- H. Parking Meters in the Ninth & Locust Parking Garage—Change in Hours of Operation.
- I. Loading Zone and Installation of Parking Meters—South Side of E. Grand Avenue West of E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of first reading of the ordinance regarding the traffic regulation changes listed above.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: Minor costs

Funding Source: 2006-2007 Operating Budget, Page 84, Engineering Department Traffic & Transportation – Sign Installation and Maintenance, ENG100413.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- A. Due to I-235 construction, Crocker Street west of 31<sup>st</sup> Street is now a dead end street that does not connect to 31<sup>st</sup> Street or the I-235 interchange, and therefore no longer requires that parking be restricted on both sides. The following revision to the Municipal Code will change the parking restrictions and allow parking on the north side of the street.

Sec. 114-3131. Crocker Street—Thirty-first Street to Forty-third Street.

~~Crocker Street, on the north side, from Thirty first Street to a point 200 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

- B. The following traffic control provisions are proposed to provide bus loading at St. Anthony's School. During the construction of Indianola Avenue, an inset was constructed on the west side of the street adjacent to the school. This inset is used for bus loading and unloading, but has not been designated in the City Code. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.

Sec. 114-3341. Indianola Avenue—Jackson Avenue to South City Limits.

~~Indianola Avenue, on the westerly side, from Jackson Avenue to Southeast Seventh Street to a point 100 feet southeasterly of Edison Avenue, no parking any time.~~

Indianola Avenue, on the westerly side, from a point 100 feet southeasterly of Edison Avenue to a point 220 feet southeasterly thereof, bus loading and unloading 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., school days.

Indianola Avenue, on the westerly side, from a point 320 feet southeasterly of Edison Avenue to Southeast Seventh Street, no parking any time.

- C. A short dead end section of Knob Hill Drive just south of Timber Lane still allows parking on both sides of the street. The resident at 4161 Timber Lane has expressed concern that when there are parked cars on both sides of the street, she has great difficulty getting through to her driveway, especially in the wintertime. Traffic and Transportation staff has reviewed this request and recommends prohibiting parking on the west side of this street to alleviate the problem. The following ordinance change is needed to implement this parking restriction.

Sec. 114-3386. Knob Hill Drive—Timber Lane to Winegardner Road.

Knob Hill Drive, on the west side, from Timber Lane to the dead end south, no parking any time.

- D. To realign existing parking areas with the Municipal Code, several changes are required to reflect actual on-street parking areas. The following changes to the Municipal Code will realign the ordinance with actual on-street conditions.

Thirty-first Street, on the east side, from and including the cul-de-sac to a point 50 feet south of Carpenter Avenue, no parking 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fridays. University Avenue to a point 70 feet north thereof, two hour parking, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- E. A citizen who lives near the intersection of E. Jefferson Avenue and E. 22nd Street has requested that stop signs be installed for traffic on E. Jefferson Avenue. Currently there are no stop signs

at this intersection. East Jefferson Avenue is a dead end street approximately 130 feet west of E. 22nd Street. Traffic and Transportation staff has reviewed this request, and recommends that the installation of stop signs is appropriate at this location, with East Jefferson Avenue traffic stopping for E. 22nd Street. The following change to the Municipal Code will place this stop control into effect by designating E. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street as the through street at this intersection.

Sec. 114-2056.05. East Twenty-second Street

East Twenty-second Street, at East Jefferson Avenue, stop.

- F. The Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department has requested restricted parking on both sides of Grandview Avenue to facilitate solid waste pickup. Traffic and Transportation concurs with the request of Solid Waste to restrict parking on Grandview Avenue from the dead end east of E. 42nd Street to a point 40 feet west thereof on Wednesdays between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (scheduled solid waste pickup day). The following ordinance change is necessary to implement this parking restriction.

Sec. 114-3276. Grandview Avenue--Cornell Street to east city limits.

Grandview Avenue, on both sides, from the dead end east of East Forty-second Street to a point 40 feet west thereof, no parking Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- G. Staff has reviewed the final plat of Airport Commerce Park South Plat 2 for needed traffic and parking controls. The following ordinance change is recommended to prohibit parking on the north side of Gannett Avenue in order to provide for safe and efficient traffic flow along this new street.

Sec. 114-3220.5. Gannett Avenue-- Fleur Drive to Southwest Forty-second Street.

Gannett Avenue, on the north side, from Southwest Twenty-eighth Street west to the dead end, no parking any time.

- H. Traffic and Transportation has reviewed the hours of operation of the parking meters installed on the ground floor of the Ninth and Locust Parking Garage. The following ordinance change will bring these parking meters into conformance with the effective starting hours of most other parking meters. This will help prevent any confusion and eliminate the need for possible enforcement for these parking meters two hours earlier than most of the on-street parking meters. The following ordinance change will change the starting time of operation for these parking meters from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. weekdays.

Sec. 114-664. Rates for Ninth and Locust Parking Garage.

All parking meters installed at this location shall be in operation from 8:00 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Friday, subject to the parking meter holidays listed in §114-644. Parking meter NG-1, NG-8, NG-52 and NG-107 ten hour meters, 8:00 a.m. ~~6:00 a.m.~~ to midnight are designated handicapped parking spaces and are subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 114-616(a) of this code.

- I. In conjunction with the opening of the new building at E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street and E. Grand Avenue, the Traffic and Transportation Division recommends a new loading zone on the south side of E. Grand Avenue, west of E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street and reinstalling the parking meters in this area. These parking meters will have the time limit changed from two hours to four hours to better suit residential and retail business parking needs in this area. The small no parking any time area accomodates the location of a fire hydrant. The following ordinance changes are necessary to implement these parking revisions.

Sec. 114-3268. East Grand Avenue--Robert D Ray Drive to East Fourth Street.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 137 feet west of East Fourth Street to a point 25 feet west thereof, no parking anytime.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from East Fourth Street to a point 62 feet west thereof, loading zone.

Sec. 114-4097. East Grand Avenue--Des Moines River Bridge to East Fourth Street.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 230 feet east of East Second Street to a point 162 feet west of East Fourth Street, ~~four two~~-hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 162 feet west of East Fourth Street to a point 62 feet west of East Fourth Street, four hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- J. At the request of the Brubaker Elementary School principal, a passenger loading/unloading zone is being established on the west side of E. 42nd Street north of Sheridan Avenue. The following ordinance changes are necessary to implement this change.

Sec. 114-2924. East Forty-second Street--East Washington Avenue to East Aurora Avenue.

East Forty-second Street, on the west side, from East Sheridan Avenue to a point 50 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

East Forty-second Street, on the west side, from a point 50 feet north of East Sheridan Avenue to a point 740 feet north thereof, passenger loading and unloading 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. school days.

East Forty-second Street, on the west side, from a point 790 feet north of East Sheridan Avenue to a point 225 feet north thereof, no stopping or standing.

East Forty-second Street, on the west side, from a point 1015 feet north of East Sheridan Avenue to a point 310 feet north thereof, passenger loading and unloading 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. school days.

East Forty-second Street, on the west side, from East Sheridan Avenue to a point 1,400 feet north thereof, no parking 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. school days.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Second and third readings of ordinance.