



**Council**  
**Communication**  
Office of the City Manager

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<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	45
<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<u>07-</u>
<b>Communication No.</b>	<u>07-118</u>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.</b> City Engineer

**AGENDA HEADING:**

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

- A. Code Updates for Street Configuration Changes.
- B. Designated School Loading and Unloading Areas—Downtown School.
- C. Municipal Employee Permit Parking On-Street.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of first reading of the Ordinance regarding the following traffic regulation changes.

**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. The Traffic and Transportation Division has reviewed various sections of the traffic ordinances for recent street changes, particularly changes made to local streets as part of the I-235 reconstruction. Staff has identified several sections under Snow Routes, One-Way Streets, Truck Routes and Prohibited/Limited Parking that need to be revised to reflect the new street configurations. The following ordinance changes are necessary to place these revisions into effect.

Sec. 114-1601. Twelfth Street.

Twelfth Street, from Center Street to ~~Crocker Street~~ Keosauqua Way.

Sec. 114-1628.05 Twenty-seventh Street.

Twenty-seventh Street, from Clark Street to Forest Avenue.

Sec. 114-1633. Thirtieth Street.

Thirtieth Street, from University Avenue to ~~Lower Beaver Road~~ Euclid Avenue.

Sec. 114-1656. East Aurora Avenue.

East Aurora Avenue, from East Twenty-fifth Street to East Twenty-ninth Street.

Sec. 114-1667. Clark Street.

Clark Street, from Thirteenth Street to ~~Thirty-fourth~~ Twenty-seventh Street.  
Clark Street, from Thirtieth Street to Thirty-fourth Street.

Sec. 114-1674. Day Street.

Day Street, from Sixth Avenue to ~~Thirteenth~~ Seventh Street.  
Day Street, from Ninth Street to Thirteenth Street.

Sec. 114-1683. Evergreen Avenue.

Evergreen Avenue, from Indianola Avenue to East ~~Watrous Avenue~~ Marion Street.

Sec. 114-1697.01. Indianola Road.

Indianola Road, from Southeast First Street to ~~Thomas Beck Road~~ Southwest Ninth Street.

Sec. 114-1711. Madison Avenue.

Madison Avenue, from Lower Beaver Road to Merle Hay ~~Mall~~ Road.

~~Sec. 114-1711.01. Maple Street~~

~~Maple Street, from East Fourteenth Street to East Fifteenth Street.~~

~~Sec. 114-1744.02. Water Street.~~

~~Water Street, from Court Avenue to Vine Street.~~

~~Sec. 114-1744.03. Southwest Water Street.~~

~~Southwest Water Street, from Vine Street to Southeast First Street.~~

Sec. 114-1745. East Watrous Avenue.

East Watrous Avenue, from ~~Southeast Twenty-fourth~~ East Marion Street easterly to Evergreen Avenue.

~~Sec. 114-2524. Kasson Street.~~

~~Kasson Street, from East Court Avenue to East Walnut Street.~~

Sec. 114-2546. East Walnut Street.

East Walnut Street, from Water Street to East Sixth Street ~~Kasson Street.~~

Sec. 114-3168. Easton Boulevard--East University Avenue to East ~~Twenty-first~~ Twenty-second Street.

Easton Boulevard, ~~on both sides~~, from 100 feet west of Delaware Avenue to East Twenty-second ~~Twenty-first~~ Street, no parking any time.

Sec. 114-3169. Easton Boulevard--East Twenty-second Street to East Twenty-ninth Street.

~~Easton Boulevard, on both sides, from East Twenty-second Street to a point 240 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

- B. The Traffic and Transportation Division has worked with the Downtown School to provide designated areas around the school for parents to drop off and pick up their children. This is similar to other elementary schools throughout the City, but more complex because the same areas are designated for metered parking or commercial loading zones when not needed for school loading and unloading. Three areas have been designated for the school loading: south side of Grand Avenue from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>; west side of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Grand to Locust; and the south side of Locust Street from east of 5<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Street. When the City code was modified to establish these school loading areas, the section on the south side of Grand from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> was inadvertently omitted. In addition, there are minor changes needed for the south side of Locust from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the school's early out schedule on Wednesdays. The following ordinance changes will bring the code sections into compliance with the signs that have been in place identifying the school loading locations and times.

Sec. 114-2631. Fifth Avenue--Locust Street to Grand Avenue.

Fifth Avenue, on the west side, from Locust Street to Grand Avenue, school passenger loading and unloading, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and ~~9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.~~ 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, 20 minutes only; no parking at all other times; loading zone, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Wednesday.

Sec. 114-3248. Grand Avenue--Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue.

Grand Avenue, on the south side, from Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue, school passenger loading and unloading, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, 20 minutes only.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 95 feet west of Fifth Avenue to a 50 feet west thereof, commercial loading zone.~~

Sec. 114-3422. Locust Street--Fourth Street to Fifth Avenue.

Locust Street, on the south side, from Fourth Street to a point 180 feet west thereof, school passenger loading and unloading, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and ~~9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.~~ to 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, 20 minutes only.

Sec. 114-3914. Grand Avenue--Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, from Fifth Avenue to a point 95 feet west thereof, two hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.~~

Grand Avenue, on the south side, from ~~a point 145 feet west of~~ Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue, two-hour meters, ~~8:00~~ 9:00 a.m. to ~~6:00~~ 3:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and through Friday and ~~8:00~~ 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

Sec. 114-3924. Locust Street--Fourth Street to Fifth Avenue.

Locust Street, on the south side, from Fourth Street to a point 180 feet west thereof, two-hour meters, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

Sec. 114-602. Parking prohibited during certain hours on certain days.

(17) No parking 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wednesday.

- C. Construction of the Center Street Pedestrian Bridge will required the removal of approximately one-half of the parking spaces in the parking lot north of the Armory Building. Staff has reviewed the on-street parking in the vicinity of the Armory Building, and has determined that replacement parking could be provided along sections of East Des Moines Street and East Grand Avenue. Parking would be restricted to City employee vehicles displaying an employee parking permit between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Because of the parking demand in these same areas for evening meetings at City Hall and for evening and weekend activities at the Brenton Ice Skating Rink, general public parking would be allowed after 4:00 p.m. and on weekends, on an available space basis. In addition, there is a significant amount of public parking available for Armory Building and City Hall customers along Robert D Ray Drive and on the Grand Avenue and Locust Street bridges. This on-street employee parking is expected to be a short-term measure, until the permanent parking structure is constructed on the City Hall parking lot site.

The following ordinance changes are necessary to designate the areas for on-street City employee parking.

Sec. 114-613.02. Parking in spaces designated for City of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking.

(a) When official signs are erected, no person shall park a vehicle in a parking space designated as a space for City of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking unless the vehicle properly displays a municipal employee parking permit.

(b) A person who violates any provision of this section shall pay a fine of \$15.00.

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

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from Robert D Ray Drive to a point 350 feet east thereof, reserved for City of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

East Grand Avenue, on the north side, from a point 350 feet east of Robert D Ray Drive to a point 135 feet west of East Fourth Street, no parking any time.

East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from Robert D Ray Drive to a point 345 feet east thereof, reserved for City of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sec. 114-3147. Des Moines Street—Robert D Ray Drive to East Ninth Street.

Des Moines Street, on the south side, from Robert D Ray Drive to a point 350 feet east thereof, reserved for City of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

~~East Grand Avenue, on the south side, from Robert D Ray Drive to East Second Street, ten hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

Sec. 114-4095. Des Moines Street--Robert D Ray Drive to East Ninth Street.

Des Moines Street, on the south side, from a point 350 feet east of Robert D Ray Drive to a point 50 feet west of East Fourth Street, four-hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Second and third readings of Ordinance.