

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date	November 24, 2008
	Agenda Item No. 36 Roll Call No. <u>08-</u> Communication No. <u>08-700</u> 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. Additional Handicapped Parking Spaces on the North Side of Ingersoll Avenue West of 29th Street.
- B. Request from Drake Area Businesses for Removal of Parking Restrictions near 23rd Street and University Avenue.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Traffic and Transportation Division staff recommendations, including first reading of the Ordinance regarding the traffic regulation changes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Minor costs.

Funding Source: 2008-2009 Operating Budget, Page 131, Engineering Department Traffic & Transportation—Sign Installation and Maintenance, ENG100413.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. As part of the Ingersoll Streetscape project, an additional handicapped parking space was added in an existing handicapped parking area on the north side of Ingersoll Avenue west of 29th Street.

The following ordinance revision is necessary to implement the revised handicapped parking.

Sec. 114-3344. Ingersoll Avenue—Twenty-eighth Street to Thirty-fifth Street.

Ingersoll Avenue, on the north side, from a point 190 feet west of Twenty-ninth Street to a point ~~30~~ 50 feet west thereof, is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.

- B. At the November 10, 2008 Council meeting, Council directed the City Manger to work with Drake area businesses to provide some temporary parking relief on University Avenue between 23rd and 25th Street, and to bring back suggestions at the Nov 24 Council Meeting. On Friday, November 14, Mike Ring and Gary Fox met with two representatives from Drake area businesses

along this section of University Avenue, the Drake Neighborhood Association, and DART to discuss this proposed change to allow parking on University Avenue during the morning and afternoon peak periods. It was agreed that the City would extend one corner parking restriction to better accommodate the bus stop at 23rd Street, and DART will review whether to move or make any other changes at the mid-block bus stops in this section of University Avenue.

The below revisions to the Municipal Code are necessary to implement these parking changes. If approved by Council, City sign and signal crews will change the signs for these parking changes and modify traffic signal timings during the peak periods on Monday, December 1 (weather permitting). Staff would then work with the same above representatives to evaluate the operation with parking allowed during the peak periods for 60-90 days. The evaluation will include reviewing parking occupancy and other potential parking options, DART bus stop options, and provide a report to the Traffic Safety Committee at their March, 2009 meeting, with a recommendation to the City Council at the second meeting in March.

Sec. 114-3689. University Avenue--Twenty-third Street to Twenty-fifth Street.

University Avenue, on the north side ~~both sides~~, from Twenty-third Street to a point 75 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

University Avenue, on the south side, from Twenty-third Street to a point 95 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

~~University Avenue, on the south side, from a point 75 feet west of Twenty-third Street to Twenty-fifth Street, no parking 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.~~

University Avenue, on the south side, from a point 95 ~~75~~ feet west of Twenty-third Street to Twenty-fifth Street, two-hour parking 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 75 feet west of Twenty-third Street to Twenty-fourth Street, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 10, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1984

Action: Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding traffic regulation changes as follows; (continued from July 28, 2008). Moved by Kiernan that this ordinance do now pass, refer to the City Manager to work with Drake Area businesses to provide some temporary parking relief during the holidays and to bring back suggestions at the November 24th Council Meeting, #14,811. Motion Carried 5-2.

- (A) Code revisions regarding Resident Permit Parking and Special Parking Permits for Special Events and Emergency Restrictions.

- (B) Request from Drake Area Businesses for removal of parking restrictions near 23rd Street and University Avenue

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date: August 12, 2008

Roll Call Number: N/A

Action: Approved staff recommendations to remove the Loading Zone on the west side of 23rd Street and the No Parking area on the north side of University (already in progress), but did not recommend removing the peak hour parking restrictions.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Second and third readings of Ordinance.

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