

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: August 29, 2011
	<p>Agenda Item No. 50</p> <p>Roll Call No. <u>11-1478</u></p> <p>Communication No. <u>Council Communication: 11-541</u></p> <p>Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer</p>

AGENDA HEADING:

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

- A. Bus Loading and Unloading—North Side of Park Avenue East of SW 28th Street.
- B. Prohibit Parking on Sundays—SW 9th Street between Wall Avenue and Porter Avenue.
- C. Parking Restriction Due to Intersection Reconstruction—Both Sides of Urbandale Avenue from East of Merle Hay Road to the West City Limits.
- D. Truck Route Designation--Ingersoll Avenue from Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway to 42nd Street.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the staff recommendations, including first reading of the ordinance regarding the traffic regulation changes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Minor costs for signing modifications.

Funding Source: 2011-2012 Operating Budget, Engineering Department Traffic & Transportation - Sign Installation and Maintenance, ENG100413, Page 98.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. Due to construction of bus loading and unloading insets on the north side of Park Avenue at Brody Middle School, parking shall be restricted to buses only. The following revisions to the Municipal Code are necessary to place these restrictions into effect.

Sec. 114-3549. Park Avenue--Fleur Drive to Southwest Sixty-third Street.

Park Avenue, on the north side, from a point 400 feet east of Southwest Twenty-eighth Street to a point 100 feet west of Southwest Twenty-eighth Street, no parking any time, bus loading and unloading, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. school days.

- B. A number of years ago, Sunday parking was allowed on SW 9th Street between Wall Avenue and

Porter Avenue. Parking is prohibited during other times of the week in this area. This was done to accommodate needed parking for Christ the King Catholic Church, which is located at 5711 SW 9th Street, and was also consistent with parking restrictions on other main thoroughfares near several church facilities.

Recently, the staff at Christ the King church requested that parking no longer be allowed in this area on Sundays. They expressed concern over several car accidents and the reduced visibility of cars trying to turn south onto SW 9th Street. Staff concurred with the church's request, and recommended that parking be eliminated on SW 9th in this area. At their August 9, 2011 meeting, the Traffic Safety Committee unanimously approved staff recommendation that the current parking restrictions be modified to prohibit parking on SW 9th Street on Sundays. The following revisions to the Municipal Code are necessary to place the restriction into effect.

Sec. 114-2699. Southwest Ninth Street--Park Avenue to County Line Road.

Southwest Ninth Street, on the east side, from Park Avenue to County Line Road ~~Porter Avenue~~, no parking any time.

~~Southwest Ninth Street, on the east side, from Porter Avenue to a point 50 feet north of Wall Avenue, no parking 1:00 p.m. Sunday through 1:00 a.m. the following Sunday.~~

~~Southwest Ninth Street, on the east side, from a point 50 feet north of Wall Avenue to a point 100 feet south of Wall Avenue, no parking any time.~~

~~Southwest Ninth Street, on the east side, from a point 100 feet south of Wall Avenue to Payton Avenue, no parking 1:00 p.m. Sunday through 1:00 a.m. the following Sunday.~~

~~Southwest Ninth Street, on the east side, from Payton Avenue to County Line Road, no parking any time.~~

C. As part of the reconstruction of the Merle Hay Road and Urbandale Avenue intersection, the turn lanes on the east leg of Urbandale Avenue have been extended farther to the east, requiring that parking be restricted on both sides of the street for a distance of 235 feet east of Merle Hay Road. Also, Urbandale Avenue from Merle Hay Road west to the west city limits is currently posted as "No Parking any Time," and the proposed code revision will codify this existing restriction.

Sec. 114-3698. Urbandale Avenue--Forty-fourth Street to Westover Boulevard.

Urbandale Avenue, on both sides, from a point ~~35~~ 235 feet east of Merle Hay Road to ~~a point 35 feet west of Merle Hay Road~~ west city limits, no parking any time.

D. In conjunction with the construction of the new Dahl's store at 35th & Ingersoll, the issue of delivery trucks has been a major concern for the adjacent neighborhood. Dahl's has installed signing on-site, and the City has installed signs on certain streets to try to keep trucks out of residential streets. However, a major part of regulating trucks to and from Dahl's, and other businesses along Ingersoll, is to provide an adequate system of designated truck routes. Currently, the only truck route in this area is Grand Avenue, so to be in compliance with the City truck route ordinance, delivery trucks need to use Grand Avenue to get as close as they can to their delivery point, and then use the shortest route to make their delivery or pick-up.

City staff have worked with representatives from Dahl's and Ingersoll businesses and neighborhoods, and recommend designating Ingersoll Avenue as a truck route from M.L. King, Jr. Parkway to 42nd Street. This truck route designation would accommodate the existing delivery truck needs, but should not attract additional through truck traffic. It would allow Dahl's to define a direct route for delivery trucks to use Ingersoll Avenue to 34th Street, and then north directly to their loading docks. It would also allow other businesses to have a direct truck delivery route to their businesses. Smaller delivery trucks (UPS, Fed Ex, etc.) are already allowed on non-truck routes, so they would not be affected, but larger trucks (greater than 12,000 pounds gross vehicle weight (GVW) and with three or more axles), which constitute many of the delivery trucks to Dahl's, would be able to use Ingersoll Avenue directly to their destination.

The following revision to the Municipal Code is necessary to implement this section of Ingersoll Avenue as a truck route.

Sec. 114-2519. Ingersoll Avenue.

Ingersoll Avenue, from 42nd Street ~~Martin Luther King Jr Parkway~~ to High Street.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Traffic Safety Committee

Date: August 9, 2011

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion by Scott Galenbeck to approve staff's recommendation that parking be prohibited on SW 9th Street between Wall Avenue and Porter Avenue on Sundays; seconded by George Robinson. Motion passed 7:0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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