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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b> 42 <b>Roll Call No.</b> <u>12-1012</u> <b>Communication No.</b> <u>Council Communication: 12- 337</u> <b>Submitted by:</b> <b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.</b> <b>City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

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

- A. Parking Restriction - South side of Des Moines Street both sides of driveway east of Robert D. Ray Drive.
- B. Installation of Loading Zone - West Side of Fifth Avenue, Locust Street to Grand Avenue.
- C. Passenger Loading and Unloading Zone - East side of Fifth Avenue, Center Street to Crocker 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: 2012-2013 Operating Budget, Page 80 Engineering Department Traffic & Transportation - Sign Installation and Maintenance, ENG100413.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

A. An area business owner has expressed a visibility concern at a driveway on the south side of Des Moines Street east of Robert D. Ray Drive. Due to the high percentage of daily occupancy and the frequency of high-profile vehicles that utilize the parking area on Des Moines Street where this driveway exits, Traffic and Transportation staff recommends to restrict parking on both sides of the driveway to improve visibility and aid maneuverability. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place the proposed parking restrictions into effect.

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 65 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.

Des Moines Street, on the south side, from a point 65 feet east of Robert D Ray Drive to a point 80 feet east thereof, no parking anytime.

Des Moines Street, on the south side, from a point 145 feet east of Robert D Ray Drive to a point 230 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.

B. On January 9, 2012, by Roll Call No. 12-0055, final Council approval was given to remove all of the school loading and unloading signing around Keck City Center and Capital Square, including the combined loading zone that was available to the general public. A representative of McKee Foods contacted Traffic and Transportation staff with a request that the loading zone be reinstalled on the west side of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Grand Avenue south to Locust Street to allow various vendors to continue to make deliveries in the area. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place the loading zone into effect.

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

Fifth Avenue, on the west side, from Locust Street to Grand Avenue, ~~no parking any time~~ loading zone, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Fifth Avenue, on the west side, from Locust Street to Grand Avenue, no parking anytime, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

C. The Iowa Events Center has requested that the existing No Parking Anytime restriction on the east side of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Center Street and Crocker Street be replaced with a Passenger Loading/Unloading Zone. The Iowa Events Center currently uses this area for bus loading during events at the Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place this loading zone into effect.

Sec. 114- Sec. 114-2633. Fifth Avenue--Watson Powell Jr Way to School Street.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from Center Street to a point 50 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from a point 50 feet north of Center Street to a point 380 feet north thereof, passenger loading and unloading only.

Fifth Avenue, on the east side, from 430 feet north of Center Street to Crocker Street, no parking any time.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: January 9, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0055](#)

Action: Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding traffic regulation changes as follows: (Council Communication No. 12-004). Moved by Mahaffey that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Motion Carried 7-0.

(A) 10-hour parking meters on the south side of Grand, west of 13<sup>th</sup> Street.

(B) Removal of special school loading and unloading restrictions on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Grand Avenue to Locust Street.

(C) Parking citations for illegal off-street parking.

(D) Extension of existing Loading Zone – south side of 400 block of Watson Powell Jr. Way.

(E) Parking restriction due to intersection improvements – north side of Hull Avenue, east of East 14<sup>th</sup> Street

(F) Adjustments to the loading and unloading times adjacent to Walnut Street School – west side of 9th Street and east side of 10th Street, north of Walnut to Locust Street.

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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