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	Agenda Item No. 42 Roll Call No. <u>13-5600</u> Communication No. <u>Council</u> <u>Communication: 13-</u> <u>013</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. Removal of Parking—East Side of East 7th Street between East Locust Street and East Walnut Street.
- B. School Related One-way Street Operation - Oxford Street between Hull Avenue and Tiffin Avenue, School Days.

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. Traffic and Transportation staff received a request from the State of Iowa Department of Public Safety to restrict parking on the east side of East 7th Street between East Locust Street and East Walnut Street. This request is the result of a security review of the area that highlights the importance of restricting parking because it is adjacent to the Department of Public Safety Oran Pape Building located at 215 E 7th Street.

The following revisions to the Municipal Code would be required to implement these parking restrictions.

Sec. 114-4088. East Seventh Street—East Walnut Street to East Locust Street

~~East Seventh Street, on the east side, from East Walnut Street to a point 110 feet north thereof, ten-hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~East Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 140 feet north of East Walnut Street to East Locust Street, ten hour meters, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~East Seventh Street, on the east side, parking meter E7-305, ten hour meter, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., is designated a handicapped parking space and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.~~

Sec. 114-2670. East Seventh Street--East Vine Street to East Aurora Avenue.

East Seventh Street, on the east side, from East Walnut Street to East Locust Street, no parking any time.

- B. In February 2012, at the request of the Findley Elementary School (3000 Cambridge Street) principal, staff temporarily implemented a northbound one-way street operation between 3-4 p.m., school days, on Oxford Street between Hull Avenue and Tiffin Avenue. This was done to minimize traffic congestion and conflicts along the west side of the school. This change was approved at the January 17, 2012 Traffic Safety Committee meeting, to be implemented on a trial basis by “police order”, with review and evaluation following a trial implementation period.

Recent discussion with the school principal indicates that this change in traffic pattern on Oxford Avenue has been successful in reducing the congestion and conflicts, and staff recommends that this traffic change be made permanent.

The following ordinance revision is necessary to permanently implement this traffic change.

Sec. 114-1912.1 Oxford Street.

Oxford Street, from Tiffin Avenue south for a distance of 100 feet, northbound, between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.; school days.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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