 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: May 23, 2016
	Agenda Item No. 40 Roll Call No. [_____] Communication No. <u>16-289</u> Submitted by: Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code Regarding Traffic Regulation Changes as follows:

- A. Two-Side Parking Restriction—E. 27th Street from Hubbell Avenue to Hull Avenue.
- B. Two-Side Parking Restriction—Indianola Avenue from SW 1st Street to Thomas Beck Road.

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: FY2017 Recommended Operating Budget, page 78 Engineering Department Traffic and Transportation—Sign Installation and Maintenance, EG062080.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. A request was received from the Fairmont Park Neighborhood Association regarding complaints related to on-street parking on E. 27th Street from Hull to Hubbell. Parking is currently allowed on the west side of this 20-foot wide street. They stated that these four (4) blocks of on-street parking are problematic for residents and for children walking to and from Goodrell. The neighborhood created flyers and talked to residents that live on E. 27th Street prior to their April 2016 meeting. No concerns were received. At their April 2016 meeting, the vote was unanimous at the Fairmont Park Neighborhood Association meeting to request the City consider removing parking on this section of E. 27th Street.

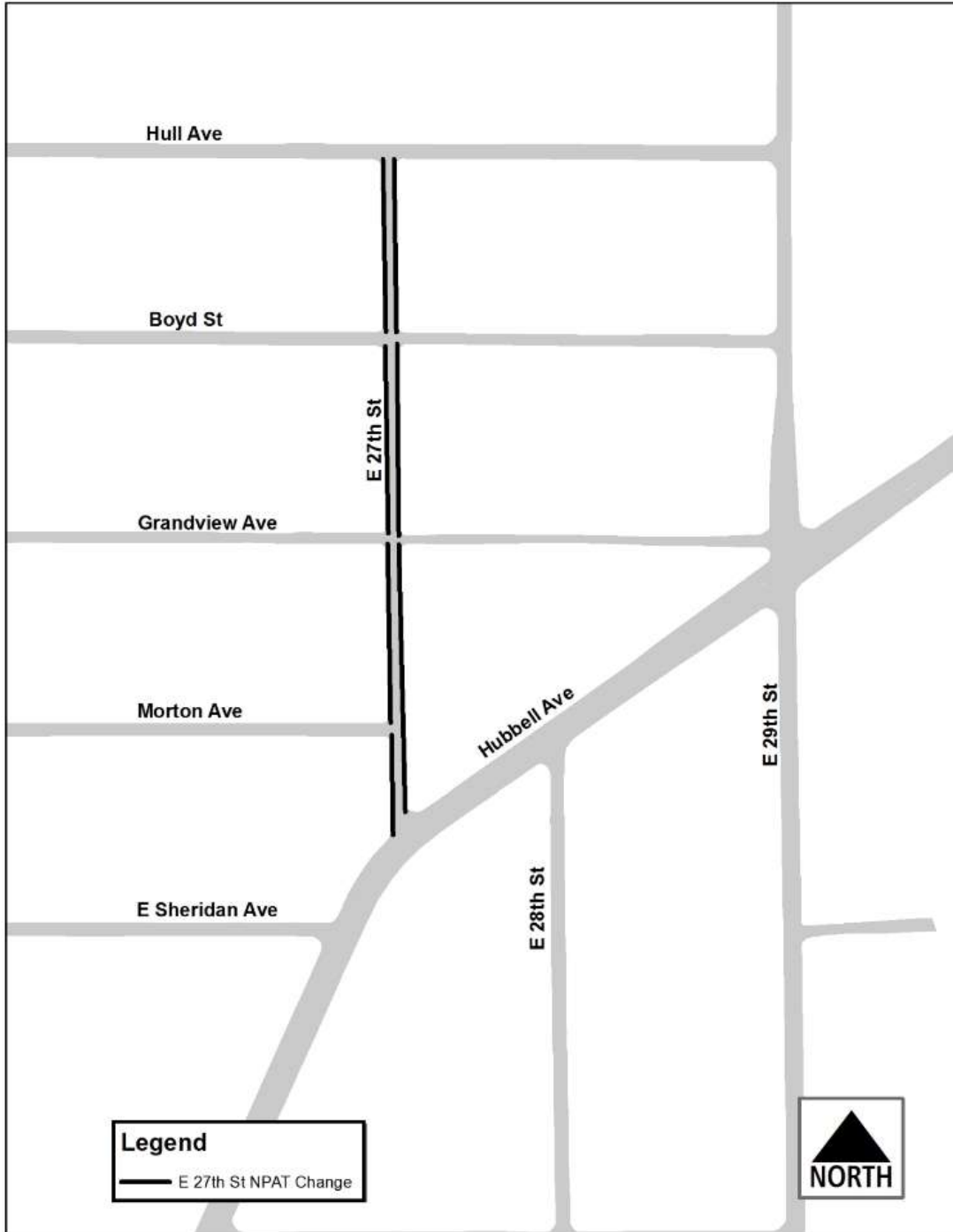
Staff reviewed this request. The City of Des Moines Parking Restriction Policy, March 15, 1990, prohibits on-street parking on both sides of streets that are 20-feet wide or less. The primary reason for this restriction is for emergency vehicle access. The minimum width for a fire access road is 20 feet. The following Municipal Code changes will restrict parking on both sides of E. 27th Street from Hubbell Avenue to Hull Avenue.

Sec. 114-2845. East Twenty-seventh Street--Dean Avenue to East Aurora Avenue.

East Twenty-seventh Street, on ~~the west side~~ both sides, from Avenue Frederick M. Hubbell to Hull Avenue, a point 50 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

~~East Twenty seventh Street, on the east side, from Avenue Frederick M. Hubbell to Hull Avenue, no parking any time.~~

~~East Twenty seventh Street, on the west side, from Hull Avenue to a point 75 feet south thereof, no parking any time.~~



- B. Staff has been working with the bar owners and managers of the establishments along Indianola Road from SW 7th Street to SW 1st Street to address parking-related issues for both on-street and off-street parking. As part of the review of existing on-street parking prohibitions, staff found that Indianola Road from SW 7th Street to Thomas Beck Road is currently signed No Parking on both sides of the street; however, parking on Indianola Road from SW 1st Street to SW 7th Street is not currently prohibited.

The Fire Department has voiced concerns that Indianola Road is too narrow to accommodate parking and maintain a fire lane that would allow emergency vehicle access through the area. Staff is working to allow parking on a portion of the SW 7th Street bridge as a pilot project by separate Council consideration, but recommend that the ability to park on Indianola Road from SW 1st Street to SW 7th Street be removed. The following Municipal Code changes would prohibit parking on both sides of Indianola Road from SW 1st Street to Thomas Beck Road.

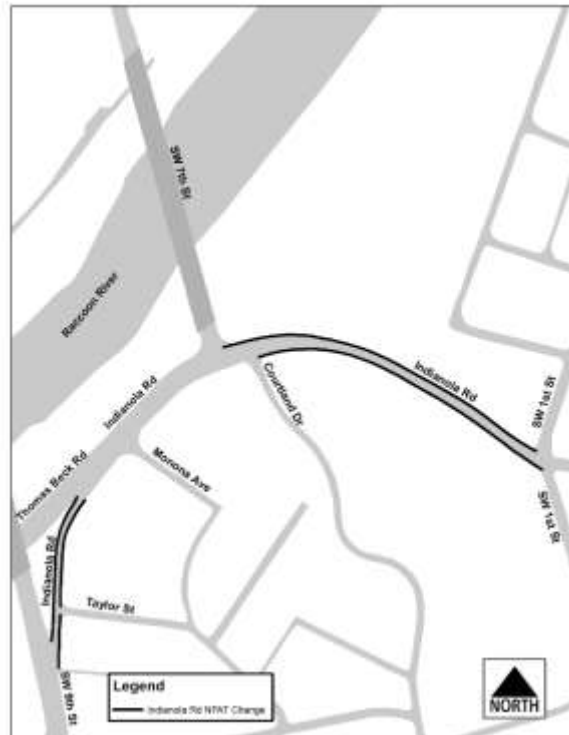
Sec. 114-3341.02. Indianola Road--South Union Street to Thomas Beck Road.

Indianola Road on the north side, from a point 180 feet east of Southwest First Street to ~~South Union Street~~210 feet east thereof, is designated a handicapped parking space on Saturday and Sunday and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in section 114-616(a) of this Code.

Indianola Road on both sides, from ~~a point 100 feet east of Southwest First Street to~~ Thomas Beck Road ~~a point 100 feet west of Southwest First Street~~, no parking any time.

Indianola Road on both sides, from Thomas Beck Road to Southwest Ninth Street, no parking any time.

~~Indianola Road, on both sides, from Courtland Drive to Thomas Beck Road, no parking any time.~~



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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