


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-207	Meeting:	May 4, 2020
	Agenda Item:	52	Roll Call:	20-785
	Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

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

- A. Proposed code change to add no standing or stopping on Walnut Street between 8th Street and 9th Street.
- B. Code modification related to parking restriction on west side of 33rd Street south of Forest Avenue.
- C. Code modifications related to the vacation of E 15th Street and Fremont Street.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the staff recommendation and the ordinance regarding the traffic regulation changes.

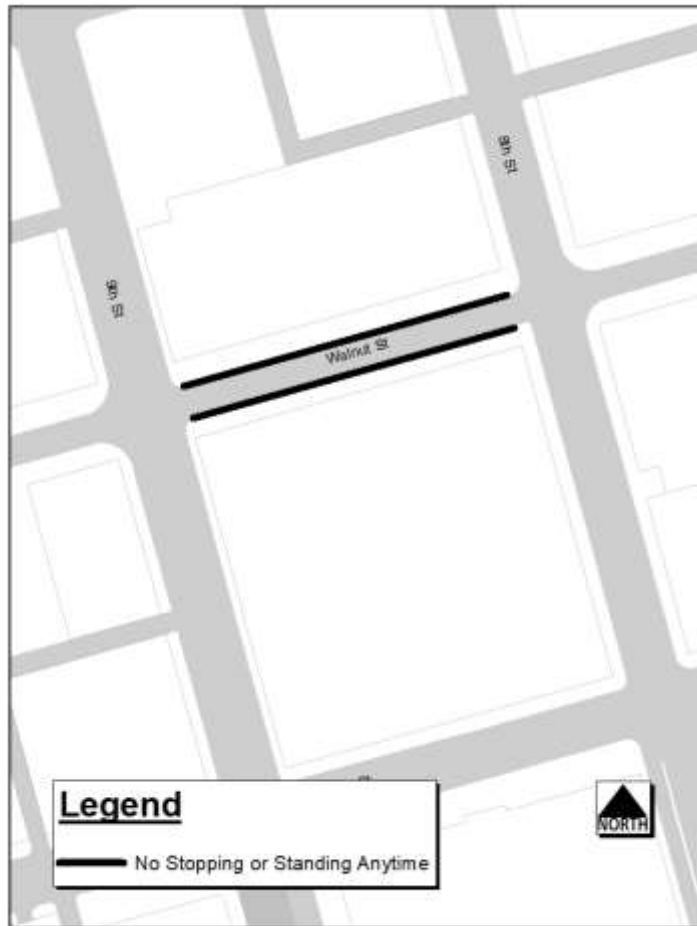
FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Minor costs for sign installations.

Funding Source: 2019-20 Operating Budget, page 83 Engineering Department Traffic and Transportation—Sign, Painting, Signal and Lighting, EG062080.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

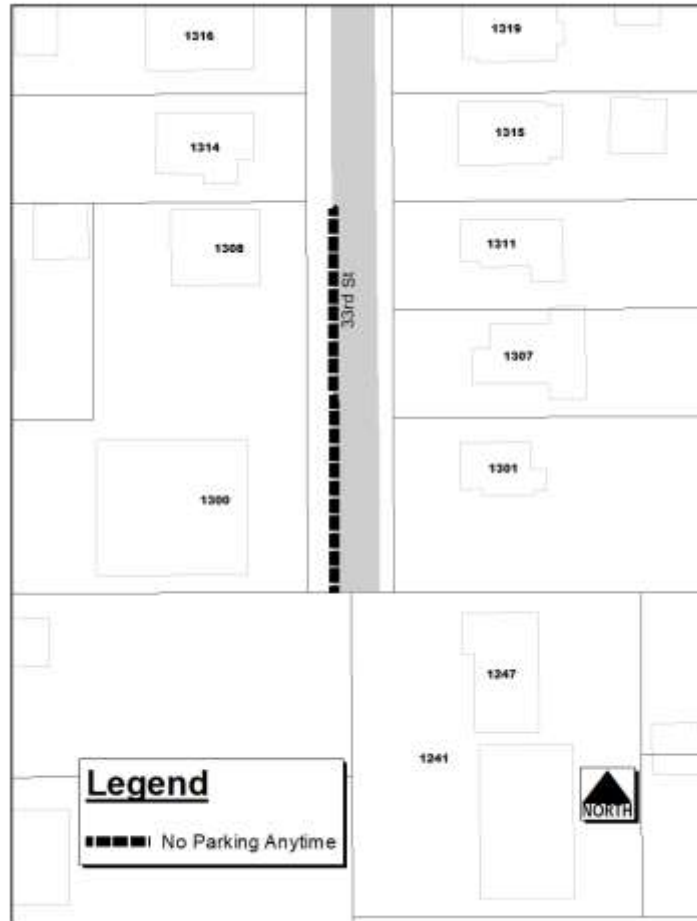
- A. The Des Moines Police Department's traffic unit reported traffic congestion and safety issues in the 800 block of Walnut Street regarding traffic backups during times of passenger pick up/drop off. The proposed code change will modify the Municipal Code to add no stopping or standing anytime on both sides of Walnut Street between 8th Street and 9th Street.



Sec. 114-3739. Walnut Street--Eighth Street to Ninth Street.

Walnut Street, on both sides, from Eighth Street to Ninth Street, no stopping or standing, anytime.

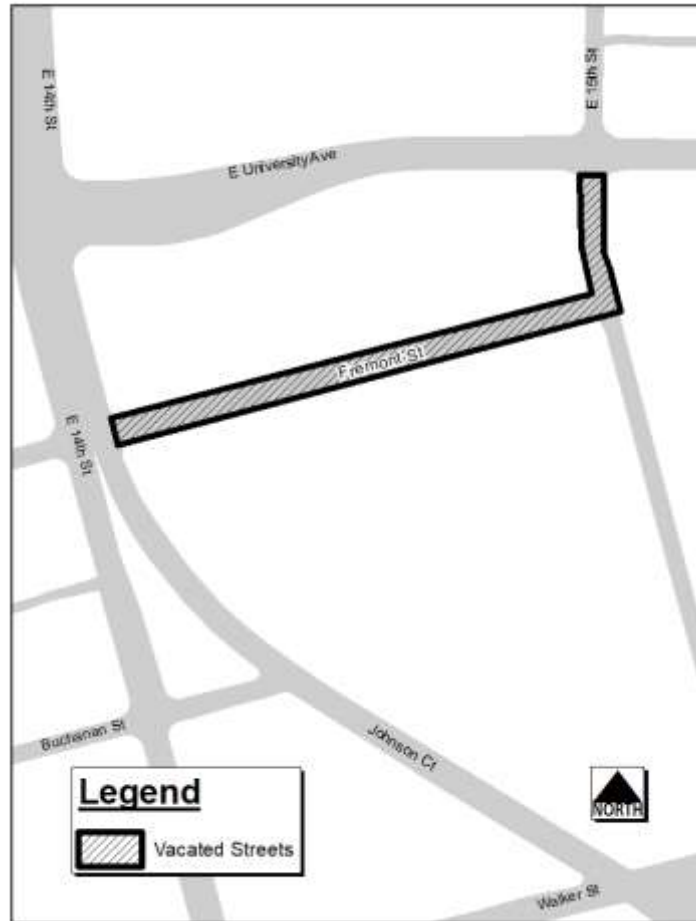
- B. An existing sidewalk through Drake University property to the east of 33rd Street currently does not have a receiving sidewalk ramp on the west side of the street. As part of the 2020 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Sidewalk Ramp Program, the sidewalk ramps will be rebuilt to meet ADA standards. In order to build the sidewalk ramp on the west side of 33rd Street, parking needs to be restricted on the west side of the street. The proposed code modifications will restrict parking on the west side of 33rd Street, south of Forest Avenue from the dead end to a point 185 feet north. Parking on the east side of 33rd Street is currently restricted.



Sec. 114-2880. Thirty-third Street--Woodland Avenue to Aurora Avenue.

Thirty-third Street, on the west side, from the dead end south of Forest Avenue to a point 185 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

- C. On February 24, 2020, City Council approved the vacation of Fremont Street right-of-way between E. 14th and E. 15th Streets, and E. 15th Street right-of-way between Fremont Street and E. University Avenue and conveyance to Des Moines Independent Community School District. The proposed code modifications will remove the parking restrictions on the vacated section of E 15th Street and Fremont Street. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-2761. East Fifteenth Street--East Vine Street to East Ovid Avenue.

~~East Fifteenth Street, on the east side, from Walker Street to East University Avenue, no parking any time.~~

~~East Fifteenth Street, on the west side, from East University Avenue to a point 50 feet south thereof, no parking any time.~~

Sec. 114-3218. Fremont Street--East Seventh Street to East Fifteenth Street.

~~Fremont Street, on the north side, from East Fourteenth Street to a point 50 feet east thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~Fremont Street, on the south side, from East Fourteenth Street to East Fifteenth Street, no parking any time.~~

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 24, 2020

Roll Call Number: [20-0366](#), [20-0367](#), and [20-0368](#)

Action: On vacation of Fremont Street right-of-way between E. 14th and E. 15th Street, and E. 15th Street right-of-way between Fremont Street and E. University Avenue and conveyance to Des Moines Independent Community School District. Moved by Boesen to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

- (A) First consideration of the ordinance above. Moved by Boesen that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Motion Carried 7-0.
- (B) Final consideration of the ordinance above (waiver requested by Bill Good, COO, Des Moines Public Schools), requires six votes. Moved by Boesen that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, [#15,869](#). Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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