

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>20-284</b>	Meeting:	<b>June 22, 2020</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>73</b>	Roll Call:	<b>20-1068</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

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

- A. Parking Restriction—7th Street between Indiana Avenue and Forest Avenue.

## SYNOPSIS:

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

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Minor costs for sign installations.

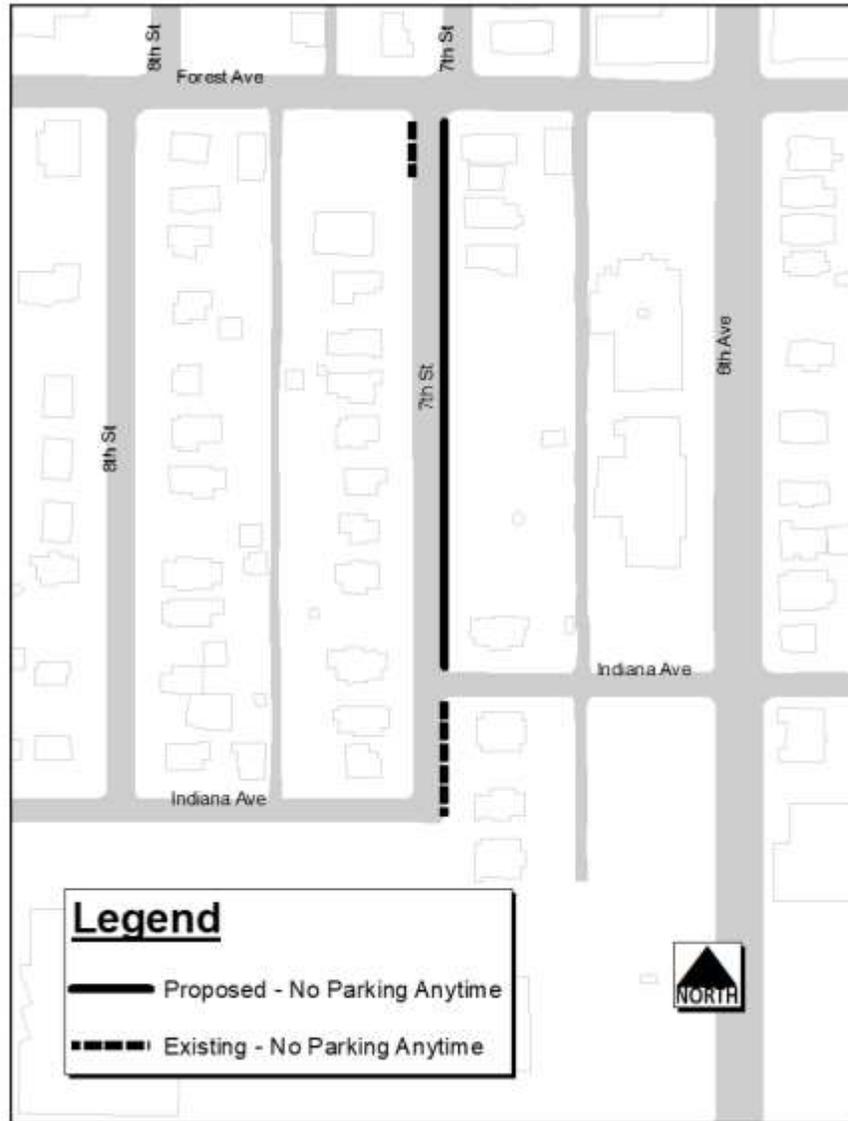
Funding Source: 2019-20 Operating Budget, page 83 Engineering Department Traffic and Transportation—Sign, Painting, Signal and Lighting, EG062080

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. Residents on 7th Street requested that parking be restricted on the east side of 7th Street between Indiana Avenue (east leg) and Forest Avenue. Currently parking is restricted on the west side of 7th Street from Forest Avenue to 40 feet south of Forest Avenue to accommodate turning movements. No Parking signs are also already in place on the east side of 7th Street between the west leg of Indiana Avenue and the east leg of Indiana Ave. The street width and traffic volume does not meet the criteria for a required parking restriction as outlined in the City of Des Moines Parking Restriction Policy. However, the petition procedure was followed and over 60% of the affected residents signed in approval of the requested change.

The River Bend Neighborhood Association, along with residents on 7th Street, neighbors and stakeholders, have been working with City Council Members, the City Manager's Office and the Des Moines Police Department over the last year to address public safety issues within the area. Several of the efforts have focused on changing negative behavior in this area and making safety improvements for residents. Parking restrictions were requested for many reasons, including reducing visitors in the area for negative reasons and improving resident site lines to the sidewalk and neighborhood playground (Salvation Army).

The parking modification was presented to the Transportation Safety Committee on June 9, 2020. The Committee voted in favor of the modified parking restriction. The proposed code changes will modify the Municipal Code to prohibit parking on the east side of 7th Street from Indiana Avenue to Forest Avenue and correct a reference to a connection with University Avenue, which no longer exists.



Sec. 114-2669. ~~Seventh Street--University Avenue~~ Indiana Avenue to Shawnee Avenue.

~~Seventh Street, on the west side, from University Avenue to Indiana Avenue, no parking any time.~~

Seventh Street, on the east side, from Indiana Avenue to Forest Avenue, no parking any time.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Board: Transportation Safety Committee

Date: June 9, 2020

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion was made by Tom DeSio to approve staff recommendation to change the parking restriction per the resident petition; seconded by Luis Montoya. Motion passed 5:0.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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