


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-407	Meeting:	September 14, 2020
	Agenda Item:	72	Roll Call:	20-1486
	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 match field conditions on the north side of Pleasant Street from 9th Street to 10th Street.
- B. Proposed code change to remove mid-block parking restrictions on the south side of Locust Street, from 2nd Avenue to the Des Moines River Bridge.
- C. Code Correction—9th Street between Shawnee Avenue and Aurora Avenue.
- D. Parking Restriction—Westwood Drive between 56th Street and the cul-de-sac to the east.
- E. One-Way Restriction—Carpenter Avenue between 11th Street and 13th Street.

SYNOPSIS:

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

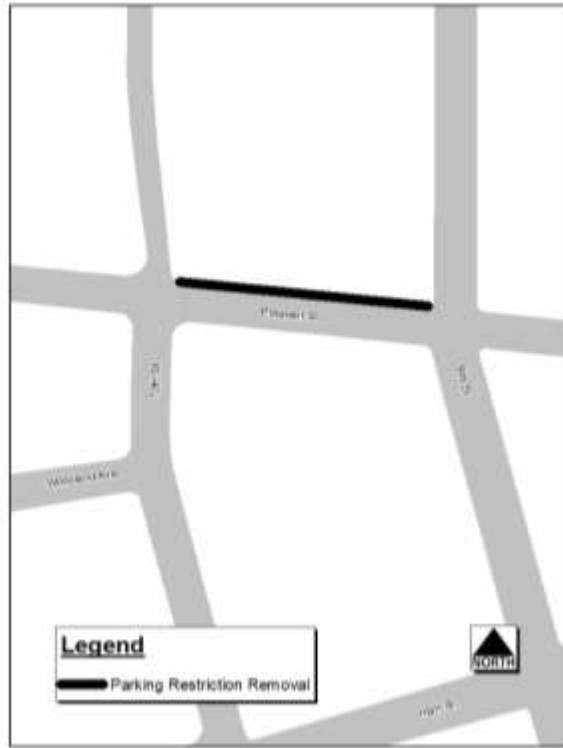
FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Minor costs for removal of signs.

Funding Source: 2020-21 Operating Budget, page 77 Engineering Department Traffic and Transportation—Sign, Painting, Signal and Lighting, EG062080

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. Due to the addition of bump outs, morning parking restrictions are no longer appropriate on the north side of Pleasant Street. The proposed code change will modify the Municipal Code to remove the 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. rush-hour restriction on the north side of Pleasant Street from 9th Street to 10th Street.



Sec. 114-3574. Pleasant Street--Ninth Street to Tenth Street.

~~Pleasant Street, on the north side, from Ninth Street to Tenth Street, no parking 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.~~

- B. With the Locust Street Bridge opening, DART would like to shift the D-Line stop closer to the intersection of 2nd Avenue.

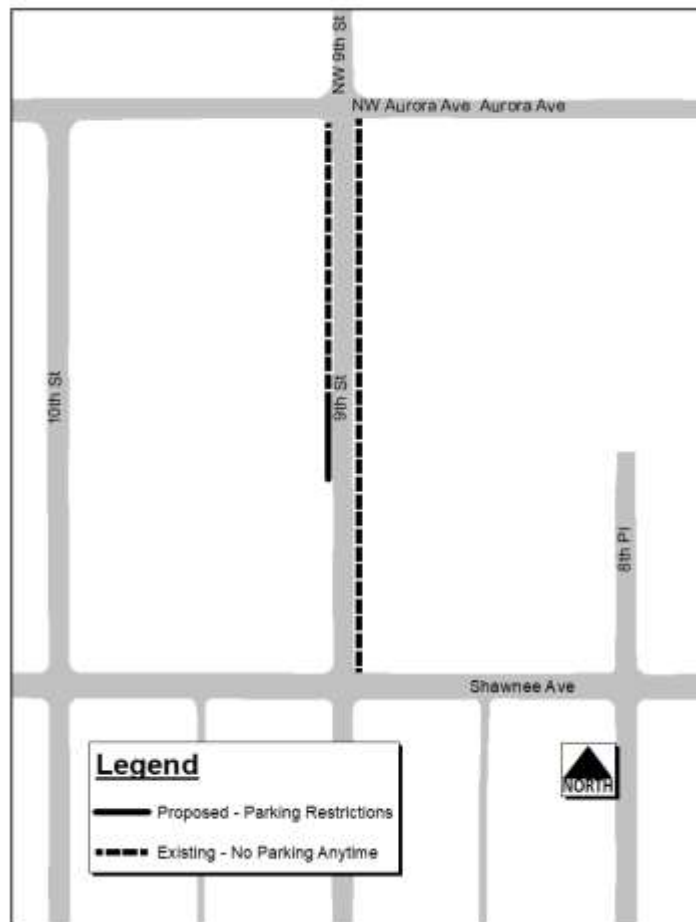


Sec. 114-3419. Locust Street--Robert D Ray Drive to Second Avenue.

~~Locust Street, on the south side, from a point 214 feet east of Second Avenue to a point 39 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

Locust Street, on the south side, from Second Avenue to a point ~~50~~ 85 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

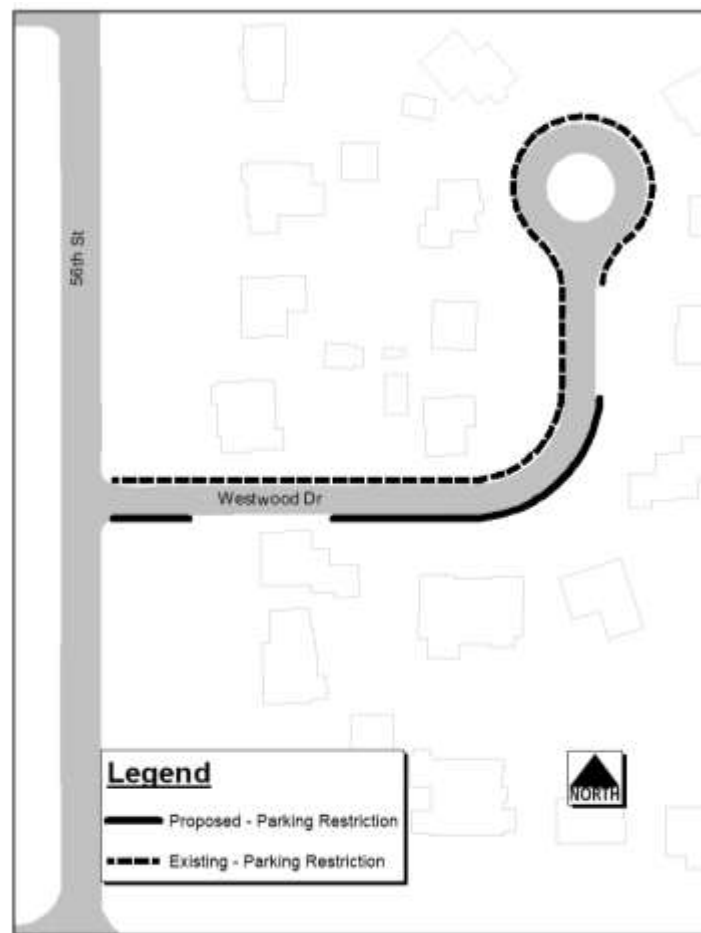
- C. A parking restriction on the west side of 9th Street between Shawnee Avenue and Aurora Avenue was recently approved by Council to address sight distance concerns. An error was made in the length of the restriction. The restriction should be 365-feet long rather than the 335-feet that was approved. The following revision to the Municipal Code corrects this error and will place this change into effect.



Sec. 114-2695. Ninth Street--Keosauqua Way to Aurora Avenue.

Ninth Street, on the west side, from a point ~~335~~ 365 feet south of Aurora Avenue to Aurora Avenue, no parking any time.

- D. A resident expressed concern about parked vehicles on Westwood Drive east of 56th Street creating sight distance and maneuverability concerns especially within the curve. Parking is currently prohibited on the north/west side of Westwood Drive from 56th Street to the cul-de-sac to the east. Parking is also prohibited within the cul-de-sac. This item was originally presented to Council at the July 13, 2020 meeting. At that time, Council referred the item back to staff for further review. Staff has reviewed the conditions and data and staff's recommendation remains the same. A field review of Westwood Drive east of 56th Street was completed by Traffic and Transportation staff. Based on the posted speed limit of 25 mph, street width and maneuverability through the curve, staff recommends removing parking on the east/south side of Westwood Drive within the curve. It is also recommended that a 50-foot corner clearance parking restriction be added on the south side of Westwood Drive at the intersection of 56th Street to better accommodate traffic turning at the intersection. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-3781. Westwood Drive--Fifty-sixth Street to dead end east cul-de-sac east of Fifty-sixth Street to Fifty-sixth Street.

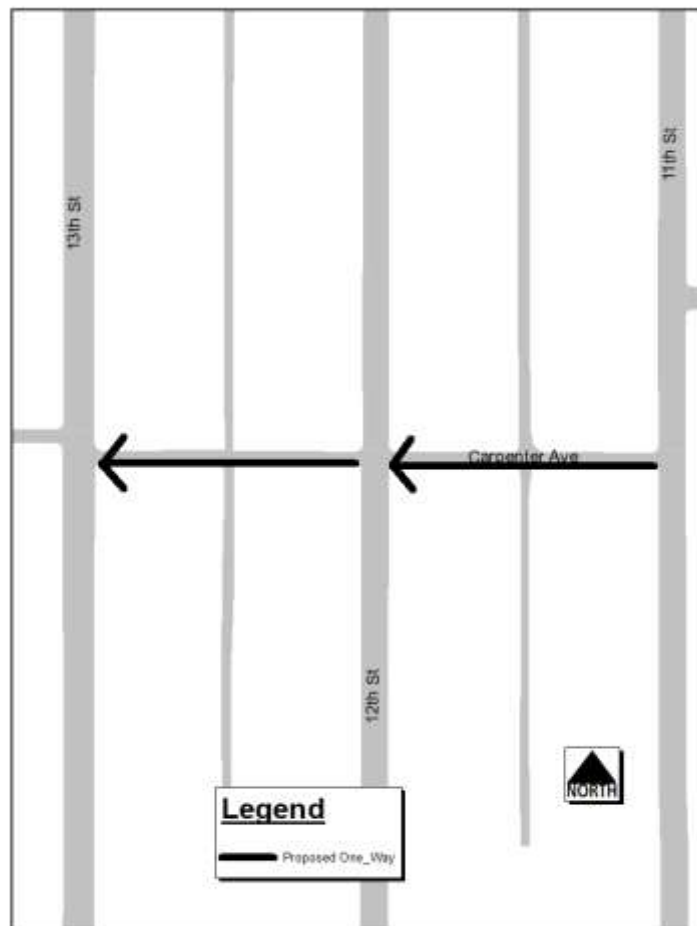
~~Westwood Drive, on the north side, from Fifty-sixth Street to a point 380 feet east thereof and any part of the cul-de-sac, no parking any time.~~

Westwood Drive, on the north side, from and including the cul-de-sac east of Fifty-sixth Street to Fifty-sixth Street, no parking any time.

Westwood Drive, on the south side, from a point 365 feet east of Fifty-sixth Street to a point 215 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

Westwood Drive, on the south side, from a point 50 feet east of Fifty-sixth Street to Fifty-sixth Street, no parking any time.

- E. The King Irving Neighborhood Association, through the Ward Council Member, asked staff to develop alternatives on Carpenter Avenue near 11th Street to address a concern for the flow of traffic east/west along Carpenter Avenue. The proposed alternative would convert Carpenter Avenue between 11th Street and 13th Street to a one-way westbound operation. The King Irving Neighborhood Association has approved the proposed alternative. This alternative was also presented to and approved by the Transportation Safety Committee at the August 11, 2020 meeting. The following revision to the Municipal Code will place this change into effect.



Sec. 114-1807. Carpenter Avenue.

Carpenter Avenue, from Eleventh Street to Thirteenth Street, westbound.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 17, 2020

Roll Call Number: [20-1358](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding traffic regulation changes as follows: Moved by Gatto that this ordinance do now pass, #[15,914](#). Motion Carried 7-0.

- (A) Traffic Control Change – Intersection of SW 1st Street and Edison Avenue.
- (B) Parking Restriction – 9th Street between Shawnee Avenue and Aurora Avenue.
- (C) Parking Restriction – Porter Avenue between SW 12th Street and SW 14th Street.
- (D) Proposed code change to match field conditions on 9th Street from Grand Avenue north to Chestnut Street.
- (E) Parking restrictions on SW 3rd Street between Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway and Market Street.

Date: July 13, 2020

Roll Call Number: [20-1147](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding traffic regulation changes as follows: ([Council Communication No. 20-301](#)) Moved by Gatto that items A, B, C, E, F and G of this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Refer item D back to Engineering to identify more parking for residents. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Boesen.

- (A) Traffic Control Change – Intersection of SW 1st Street and Edison Avenue.
- (B) Parking Restriction – 9th Street between Shawnee Avenue and Aurora Avenue.
- (C) Parking Restriction – Porter Avenue between SW 12th Street and SW 14th Street.
- (D) Parking Restriction – Westwood Drive between 56th Street and the cul-de-sac to the east.
- (E) Parking Restriction – Cummins Road between SE 14th Street and the cul-de-sac to the west.
- (F) Proposed code change to match field conditions on 9th Street from Grand Avenue north to Chestnut Street.
- (G) Parking restrictions on SW 3rd Street between Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway and Market Street.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Transportation Safety Committee

Date: August 11, 2020

Resolution Number: N/A

Resolution Number: Motion was made by Tom DeSio to approve the staff recommended concept plan that designates Carpenter Avenue from 11th Street to 13th Street as a one-way westbound street and adds bump outs to reduce the width of Carpenter at 11th, 12th, and 13th Streets. Seconded by Robin Witt. Motion passed 6:0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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