

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-449	Meeting:	October 19, 2020
	Agenda Item:	43	Roll Call:	20-1686
	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. Code modification to designate a 25-mph maximum speed limit on University Avenue from 25th Street to 31st Street and remove parking on the north side of the street.
- B. Code correction – 18th Street between Day Street and University Avenue.
- C. Code correction – Correcting references to former “McDonald Street.”
- D. Parking restriction – Gleaves Court between E Ovid Avenue and the cul-de-sac.
- E. Proposed code change to match field conditions on the north side of the Walnut Street Bridge and the south side of the Court Avenue Bridge.
- F. Proposed code change to add a loading zone to the west side of SW 5th Street between Martin Luther King Jr Parkway and Tuttle Street.

SYNOPSIS:

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Costs for sign installations and periodic maintenance of signs and markings.

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. University Avenue from 25th Street to 31st Street was reconstructed as part of the Near West Sewer Separation Project – Phase 3 in accordance with a streetscape plan prepared by Drake University. Parking on the north side of the street was removed, sidewalks were widened, and bike lanes were added to the street. During design, it was determined that lowering the speed limit was necessary due to the reduction in lanes, addition of unbuffered bike lanes and the high volume of pedestrian traffic. This code modification is to designate a 25-mph maximum speed limit and remove the parking on the north side of University Avenue from 25th Street to 31st Street.



Sec. 114-1358. - University Avenue.

University Avenue, from Fourth Street to Twenty-fifth Street ~~the entrance to Waveland Park Golf Course~~, 30 miles per hour.

University Avenue, from Twenty-fifth Street to Thirty-first Street, 25 miles per hour.

University Avenue, from Thirty-first Street to the entrance to Waveland Park Golf Course, 30 miles per hour.

Sec. 114-3690. - University Avenue—Twenty-fifth Street to Twenty-eighth Street.

University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-fifth Street to Twenty-eighth Street ~~a point 50 feet west thereof~~, no parking any time.

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 50 feet west of Twenty-fifth Street to a point 100 feet east of Twenty-sixth Street, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-sixth Street to a point 100 feet east thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-sixth Street to a point 100 feet east of Twenty-seventh Street, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-seventh Street to a point 100 feet east thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-seventh Street to Twenty-eighth Street, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

Sec. 114-3691. - University Avenue—Twenty-eighth Street to Thirty-first Street.

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-eighth Street to Thirty-first Street a point 50 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 50 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 100 feet west thereof, passenger loading and unloading, ten minutes only.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 150 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street, to a point 50 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 200 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 200 feet west thereof, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 400 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 210 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 610 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 80 feet west thereof, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 690 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 175 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 865 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 120 feet west thereof, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 985 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 100 feet west thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 1085 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 80 feet east of Thirty-first Street, no parking 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from a point 1085 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 80 feet east of Thirty-first Street, two-hour parking 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.~~

~~University Avenue, on the north side, from Thirty-first Street to a point 80 feet east thereof, no parking any time.~~

- B. Currently there is a parking restriction in the Municipal Code for the west side of 18th Street between Day Street and University Avenue. During a field review it was discovered that signing is not in place to restrict parking on the west side of 18th Street between Day Street and University Avenue and vehicles are parking on this side of the street. Per the City’s current parking policy, parking can be allowed on both sides of the street. The proposed code change will modify the Municipal Code to match field conditions. The following revision to the Municipal Code will place this change into effect.



Sec. 114-2782. Eighteenth Street--Woodland Avenue to Hickman Road.

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

- C. In 1991, City Council approved a street name change from “McDonald Street” to “Dixon Street” between Euclid Avenue and E Aurora Avenue. A recent review of the Municipal Code found that references to “McDonald Street” are still present in Chapter 114. The proposed code changes will remove references to “McDonald Street.” The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-2143. East Aurora Avenue.

East Aurora Avenue, on the south half, from the east line of East Fourteenth Street to the east line of ~~McDonald Avenue~~ Dixon Street, stop.

Sec. 114-2277. East Madison Avenue.

East Madison Avenue, from the west line of First Street to the west line of ~~McDonald~~ Dixon Street, stop.

Sec. 114-3000. East Aurora Avenue--First Street to Northeast Forty-eighth Street.

East Aurora Avenue, on the south side, from First Street to a point 750 feet east of ~~McDonald Avenue~~ Dixon Street, no parking any time.

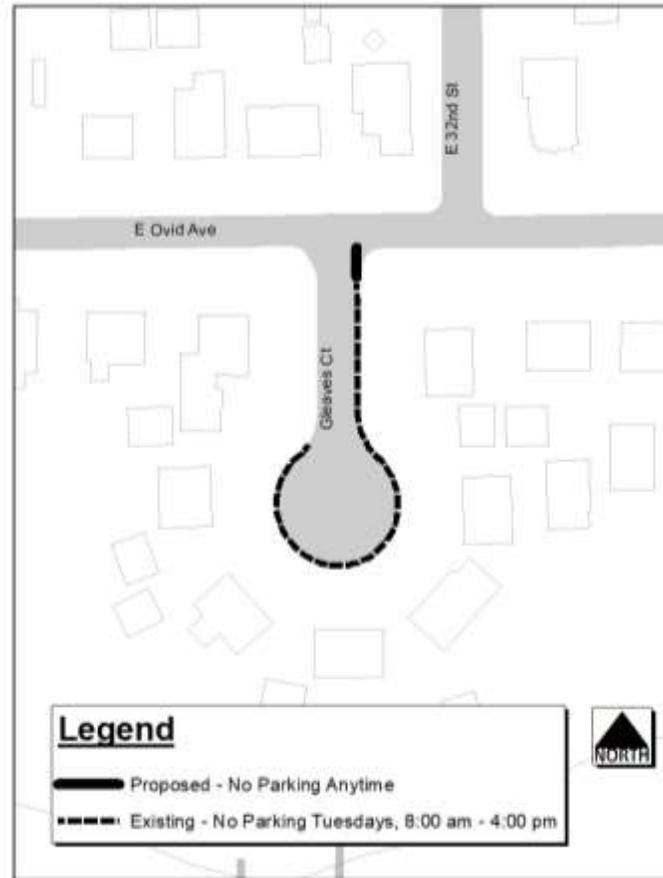
Sec. 114-3451. East Madison Avenue--First Street to dead end east of East Forty-second Street.

East Madison Avenue, on the south side, from East Tenth Street to ~~McDonald~~ Dixon Street, no parking any time.

Sec. 114-3633. East Shawnee Avenue--First Street to Colfax Avenue.

East Shawnee Avenue, on the south side, from East Seventeenth Street to ~~McDonald~~ the dead end east of East Fourteenth Street, no parking any time.

- D. A resident on Gleaves Court requested a parking restriction on the east side of Gleaves Court near the intersection with E Ovid Avenue to better accommodate turning vehicles at the intersection. Parking is currently prohibited on the west side of Gleaves Court and allowed on the east side with the exception of certain hours on Tuesday. The proposed code changes will modify the Municipal Code to restrict parking on the east side of Gleaves Court at all times 50 feet south of E Ovid Avenue. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-3236. Gleaves Court--East Ovid Avenue to dead end south.

Gleaves Court, on the east side, from East Ovid Avenue to a point 50 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

Gleaves Court, on the east side, from a point 50 feet south of East Ovid Avenue to and including any part of the cul-de-sac, no parking 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday.

- E. During a field review, it was found that the handicap parking on the north side of the Walnut Street Bridge and the handicap parking on the south side of the Court Avenue Bridge were not in the Municipal Code and should be added. The following proposed code changes are needed to modify the Municipal Code.



Sec. 114-3746. East Walnut Street--Water Street to East First Street.

East Walnut Street, on the north side, from a point 60 feet west of East First Street to a point 30 feet west thereof, is designated a handicapped parking area and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.



Sec. 114-3115. East Court Avenue--Water Street to East Second Street.

East Court Street, on the south side, 85 feet east of Water Street to a point 60 feet east thereof, is designated a handicapped parking area and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.

~~East Court Avenue, on the south side, from a point 80 feet west of East First Street to a point 60 feet west thereof, reserved for city of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking and are designated handicapped parking spaces, subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.~~

East Court Street, on the south side, 80 feet west of East First Street to a point 95 feet west thereof, is designated a handicapped parking area and is subject to the same prohibition as is found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter.

~~East Court Avenue, on the south side, from a point 140 feet west of East First Street to a point 235 feet west thereof, reserved for city of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.~~

~~East Court Avenue, on the north side, from a point 65 feet west of East First Street to a point 240 feet west thereof, reserved for city of Des Moines municipal employee permit parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.~~

- F. The manager of the AP Lofts has requested that a loading zone be added to the west side of SW 5th Street between Martin Luther King Jr Parkway and Tuttle Street to allow for tenants moving into the building. She has talked with surrounding neighbors who have no objections. The following proposed change is needed to modify the Municipal Code.



Sec. 114-2638. Southwest Fifth Street--Vine Street to Army Post Road.

Southwest Fifth Street, on the west side, from a point 40 feet north of Tuttle Street to a point 50 feet north thereof, loading zone, no parking any time.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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