


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number: 23-414	Meeting: September 11, 2023
	Agenda Item: 49	Roll Call: 23-1278
	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. Parking Modification – 24th Street between Forest Avenue and Clark Street and Forest Avenue between 24th Street and 25th Street.
- B. Parking Modification – High Street between 24th Street and 28th Street.
- C. Parking Modifications – Grand Avenue between 2nd Avenue and 3rd Street and Grand Avenue between 4th Street and 5th Avenue.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the staff recommendation and the ordinance regarding the traffic regulation changes. Costs for sign installations and periodic maintenance of signs.

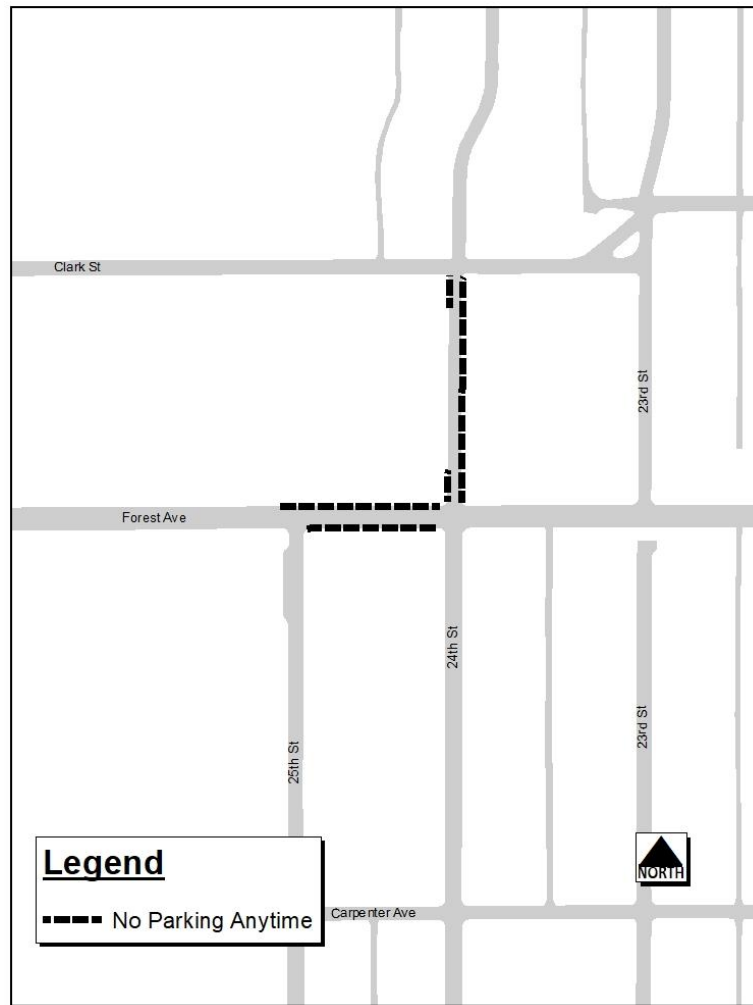
FISCAL IMPACT:

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

Funding Source: 2023-24 Operating Budget, Page 68, Engineering Department T&T – Sign, Painting, Signal and Lighting, EG062080, Road Use Tax Fund

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. As part of the Des Moines Public Schools (DMPS) Community Stadium at Drake University site plan, several parking modifications are proposed. Parking on 24th Street between Forest Avenue and Clark Street will be switched from the east side to the west side. This will allow visitors to park next to the stadium without having to cross the street. Parking on the north side and south side of Forest Avenue from 24th Street to 25th Street, adjacent to the stadium, will be changed to no parking any time. This change will improve visibility of pedestrians crossing the street from the south of the stadium Forest Avenue from the parking lot to the stadium. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-2823. Twenty-fourth Street--Ingersoll Avenue to Bennett Avenue.

~~Twenty-fourth Street, on the west side, from Forest Avenue to Twenty-fourth Drive, no parking any time.~~ a point 50 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Twenty-fourth Street, on the west side, from a point 60 feet south of Clark Street to Twenty-fourth Drive, no parking any time.

~~Twenty-fourth Street, on the east side, from Forest Avenue to a point 80 feet north thereof, no parking any time.~~ a point 53 feet north of Clark Street, no parking any time.

~~Twenty-fourth Street, on the east side, from a point 50 feet south of Clark Street to a point 53 feet north of Clark Street, no parking any time.~~

Sec. 114-3206. Forest Avenue--Twenty-third Street to Thirtieth Street.

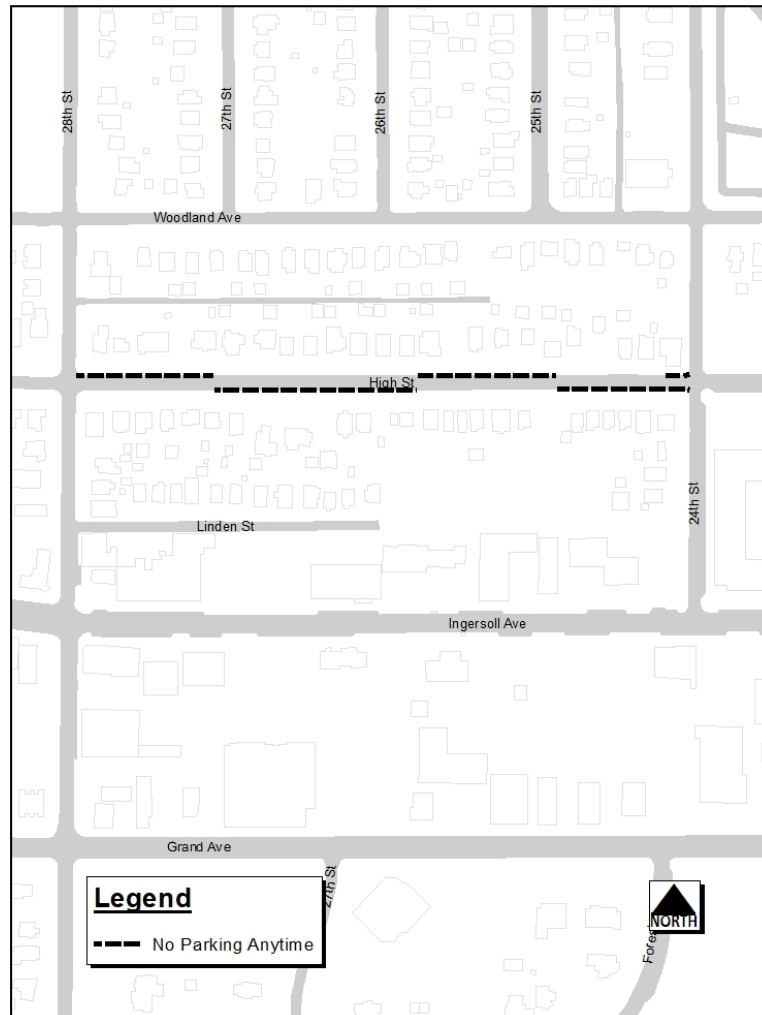
Forest Avenue, on the south side, from Twenty-third Street to ~~point 155 feet east of Twenty-seventh Street~~ a point 60 feet east of Twenty-fourth Street, no parking 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.

~~Forest Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-fourth Street to a point 50 feet east thereof, no parking any time.~~

~~Forest Avenue, on the north side, from Twenty-fourth Street to Twenty-fifth Street, two-hour parking 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. no parking any time.~~

~~Forest Avenue, on the south side, from Twenty-fifth a point 60 feet east of Twenty-fourth Street to a point 310 feet west of Twenty-seventh Street, no parking any time.~~

- B. The Woodland Heights Neighborhood Association requested a traffic calming project on High Street between 24th Street and 28th Street. The traffic calming plan and elements approved through the traffic calming program process were speed humps and alternating on-street parking. The three (3) speed humps were installed on High Street in July 2023. The alternating on-street parking plan has been reviewed and adjusted to better accommodate properties with limited or no off-street parking options. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place the alternating on-street parking into effect.



Sec. 114-3316. High Street--Martin Luther King Jr Parkway to Thirty-first Street.

High Street, on the north side, from a point 50 feet east of Twenty-fourth Street to a point ~~50~~ 60 feet west of Twenty-fourth Street, no parking any time.

High Street, on the south side, from Twenty-fourth Street to a point 270 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

High Street, on the north side, from a point 275 feet west of Twenty-fourth Street to a point 295 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

High Street, on the south side, from a point 575 feet west of Twenty-fourth Street to a point 485 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

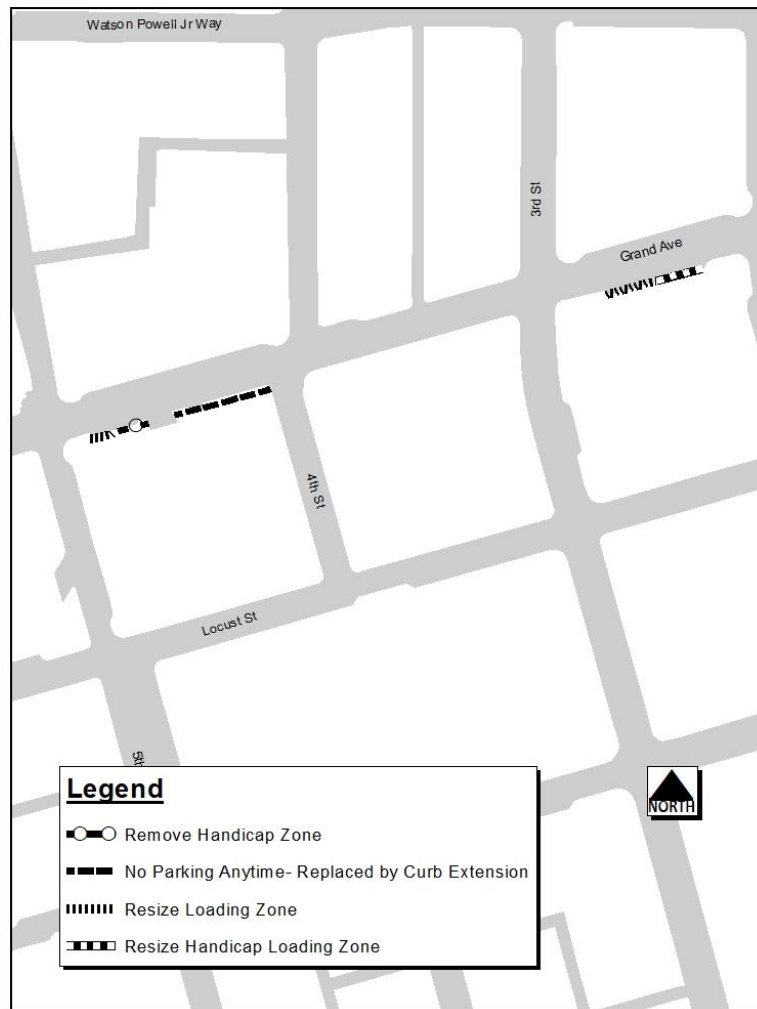
High Street, on the north side, from a point 230 feet east of Twenty-eighth Street to a point 50 feet west of Twenty-eighth Street, no parking any time.

High Street, on the south side, from Twenty-eighth Street to Thirty-first Street, no parking any time.

~~High Street, on the south side, from Twenty-fourth Street to Thirty-first Street, no parking any time.~~

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

- C. With the recent work at the intersection of 2nd Avenue and Grand Avenue, curb extensions were added to reduce the pedestrian crossing distances across both Grand and 2nd Avenues. As a result, Code revisions are needed to match the new lengths and locations of the existing handicap accessible loading zone and loading zone on the south side of Grand Avenue between Second Avenue and Third Street. Also, due to installation of curb extensions on the south side of Grand Avenue between 5th Avenue and 4th Street, an existing loading zone and handicap accessible loading zone on the south side were combined to a single loading zone, and the new curb extension on the south side of Grand Avenue, west of 4th Street, replaced the need for the existing no parking restriction. As a result, Code revisions are needed to match new field conditions. The following revisions to the Municipal Code will place the recommended changes into effect.



Sec. 114-3245. Grand Avenue--Second Avenue to Third Street.

Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point ~~45~~ 70 feet west of Second Avenue to a point ~~27~~ 40 feet west thereof, is designated a handicapped loading zone, 30-minute limit, and is subject to the same prohibitions as are found in subsection 114-616(a) and section 114-608 of this chapter.

Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point ~~72~~ 110 feet west of Second Avenue to a point ~~114~~ 90 feet west thereof, loading zone.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 186 feet west of Second Avenue to Third Street, no parking any time.~~

Sec. 114-3247. Grand Avenue--Fourth Street to Fifth Avenue.

~~Grand Avenue, on the south side, from Fourth Street to a point 100 feet east of Fifth Avenue, no parking any time.~~

Grand Avenue, on the south side, from a point 65 feet east of Fifth Avenue to a point ~~35~~ 42 feet east thereof, ~~handicapped loading zone, 30-minute limit, subject to the special identification device and use restrictions found in subsection 114-616(a) of this chapter~~ loading zone.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 9, 2022

Roll Call Number: [22-0744](#)

Action: [2022](#) City-Wide Traffic Calming Improvements: Resolution approving plans, specifications, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Minturn, Inc. (Clinton M. Rhoads, President), \$638,418. ([Council Communication No. 22-207](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: August 23, 2021

Roll Call Number: [21-1323](#)

Action: [Conditionally](#) approving final subdivision plat of Des Moines Independent Community School District (DMPS) Community Stadium at Drake University Plat 1. ([Council Communication No. 21-372](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 5-2. Nays: Gatto and Westergaard.

Date: December 20, 2021

Roll Call Number: [21-1978](#)

Action: [5th Avenue](#) and Grand Avenue One (1)-Way to Two (2)-Way Conversion: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, Engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Jasper Construction Services, Inc., (Cliff Rhoads, President), \$2,189,218. ([Council Communication No. 21-559](#)) Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

For more information on this and other agenda items, please call the City Clerk's Office at 515-283-4209 or visit the Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall, 400 Robert D Ray Drive. Council agendas are available to the public at the City Clerk's Office on Thursday afternoon preceding Monday's Council meeting. Citizens can also request to receive meeting notices and agendas by email by calling the Clerk's Office or sending their request via email to cityclerk@dmgov.org.