COUNCIL COMMUNICATION				
CITY OF DES MOINES CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE	Number:	25-457	Meeting:	December 8, 2025
	Agenda Item:	54	Roll Call:	[]
	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. Traffic Control Modification 48th Street and Waterbury Road
- B. Corner Clearance Parking Restrictions
 - 1. E 23rd Street and E Washington Avenue
 - 2. 36th Street and University Avenue
 - 3. SW 58th Drive and Terrace Drive
 - 4. Fairlane Drive and E Hughes 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.

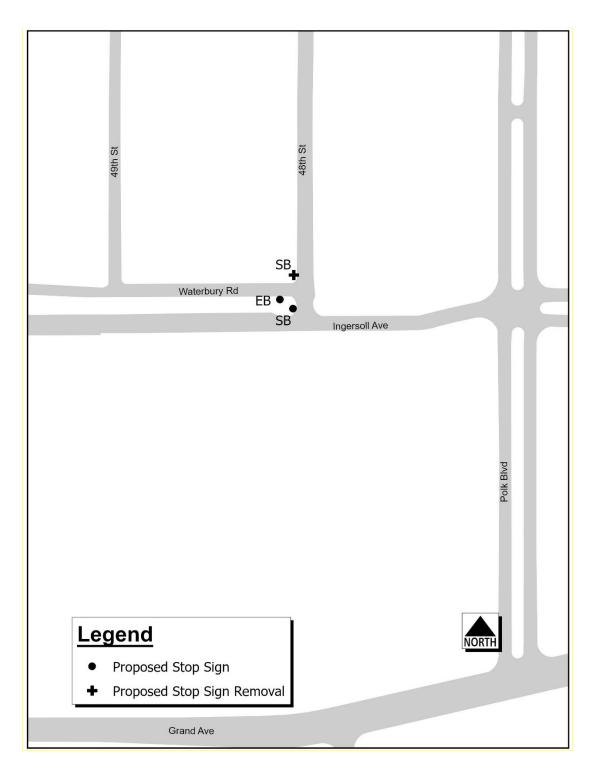
FISCAL IMPACT:

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

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2025-26 Operating Budget, Page 72, Engineering Department T&T – Sign, Painting, Signal and Lighting, EG062080, Road Use Tax Fund

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. Councilmember Mandelbaum shared a concern from residents regarding the existing traffic control at the intersections of 48th Street and Waterbury Road and 48th Street and Ingersoll Avenue. Waterbury Road is an east/west street that "tees" into 48th Street creating a T-intersection approximately 35 feet north of the intersection of 48th Street and Ingersoll Avenue. The intersection of 48th Street and Ingersoll Avenue is also a T-intersection, with 48th Street ending at Ingersoll Avenue. Currently, a stop sign is present for southbound traffic on 48th Street at both Waterbury Road and Ingersoll Avenue, creating confusion for drivers and increasing the potential for crashes. Staff recommend removing the southbound stop sign on 48th Street at Waterbury Road, placing a new eastbound stop sign on Waterbury Road at 48th Street and retaining the existing southbound stop sign on 48th Street at Ingersoll Avenue to clarify the controlled movements at the intersection. The following modifications to the Municipal Code will place these changes into effect.



Sec. 114-2121. Forty-eighth Street.

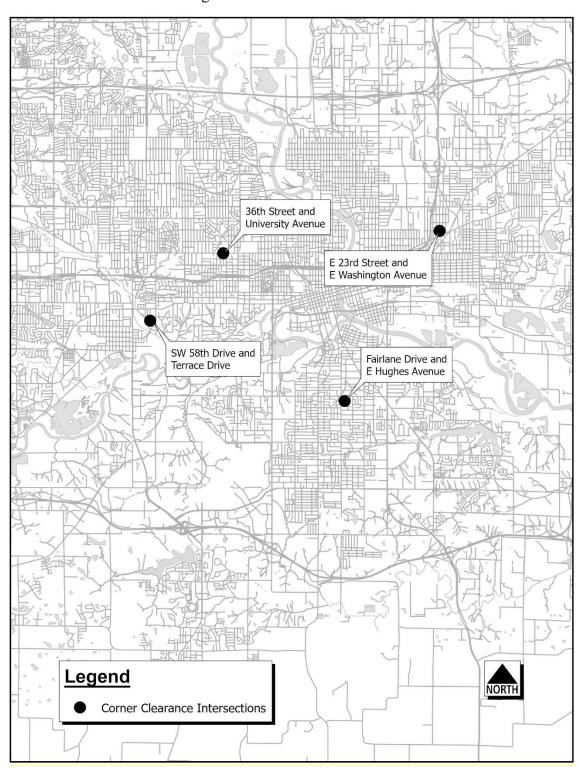
Forty-eighth Street, at Waterbury Road, stop.

B. A corner clearance is a parking restriction that extends 150 feet or less from an intersection. Corner clearances are typically installed to provide required sight distance at the intersection or facilitate turning movements onto narrow, residential streets where a parked vehicle might prevent two-way traffic. A request for a corner clearance is typically generated from resident

concerns. Staff have reviewed the following locations and determined corner clearances are necessary.

- E 23rd Street and E Washington Avenue
 36th Street and University Avenue
 SW 58th Drive and Terrace Drive

- 4. Fairlane Drive and E Hughes Avenue



Sec. 114-2896. Thirty-sixth Street--Grand Avenue to Madison Avenue.

Thirty-sixth Street, on the west side, from a point 45 feet south of University Avenue to University Avenue, no parking any time.

Sec. 114-2955. Southwest Fifty-eighth Drive--Fifty-sixth Street to Fifty-eighth Street.

Southwest Fifty-eighth Drive, on the east side, from a point 75 feet south of Terrace Drive to Terrace Drive, no parking any time.

Sec. 114-3328. East Hughes Avenue--Fairlane Drive to Southeast Twenty-second Street.

East Hughes Avenue, on the north side, from Fairlane Drive to a point 50 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

Sec. 114-3756. East Washington Avenue--Dead end west of Pennsylvania Avenue to the dead end of East Thirty-third Street.

East Washington Avenue, on the south side, from a point 80 feet west of East Twenty-third Street to a point 50 feet east of East Twenty-third street, no parking any time.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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