



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: March 20, 2012
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: **Amend Critical Parking Area #3**

Recommendation:

Adopt the Findings per the Ordinance 478.710, and approve a "Type B" critical traffic and parking area, which will include the following city streets:

2100, 2200, 2300 Blocks of Elliott Avenue South
800 Block of 22nd Street East
2400 Block of 10th Avenue South
2400 Block of 11th Avenue South

To be signed "No Parking, Except by Permit, 10AM to 6PM".

Previous Directives:

None

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Approved by:

Steven A. Kotke, P. E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

Presenters: Tim Drew

Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	Date

Financial Impact

No financial impact

Community Impact:

Neighborhood Notification: Neighborhood meetings on the issues and processes of Critical Parking Areas were conducted.

City Goals: To ensure a Healthy, vital and safe city.

Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information:

The requested Critical Parking Area (CPA) is being implemented due to parking congestion caused by customers and employees of adjacent businesses. These vehicles take up the majority of the on-street parking. The 10AM to 6PM timeframe was chosen because it is when the neighborhood is most active with vehicular traffic. The permit process will help to ensure that residents have available parking close to their home.

The Critical Parking Area above will be signed "No Parking, Except by Permit, 10AM to 6PM". This Critical Parking Area will be implemented on the odd side of the streets only. However, residents on both sides of the blocks listed on the Critical Parking Area will be eligible for permits (see Attachment A). The even side will remain public parking.

The above area meets the procedure for the establishment of a Critical Parking Area, which includes:

- A written petition signed by at least 75% of the dwelling units located within the proposed critical traffic and parking area.
- The number of non-resident parkers during the requested hours/days of enforcement exceeds thirty-three (33) percent of the number of on-street spaces in the area.
- The minimum area exceeds one (1) block.

Findings

No critical traffic and parking area may be established unless the City Council shall have made the following findings:

- 1) The area is detrimentally impacted by parking of commuter, student, customer or visitor/guest vehicles generated by area businesses, institutions or recreational/entertainment facilities during the proposed hours of restriction.

The area is detrimentally impacted by vehicles from commuters, customers and visitors generated from area businesses.

- 2) The area does not have sufficient off-street vehicular parking for the use and convenience of the residents thereof in the vicinity of their homes.

There is not sufficient off street parking for the addresses listed on the Critical Parking petitions.

- 3) Vehicle noise, pollution or congestion will work unacceptable hardships on residents of the area if present parking is allowed to continue unregulated.

Vehicle congestion has increased and creates unacceptable hardships on the residents of the area.

- 4) The health, safety and welfare of residents of the area and the city as a whole and the attractiveness and livability of specific neighborhoods will be promoted by a system of preferential parking enacted under this section.

Excessive traffic and parking in the area will reduce the health, safety and welfare of the area thus resulting in a less attractive and livable neighborhood. The preferential parking will encourage more walking, biking, and bus connections that will assist in meeting the City's transportation goals.

The Findings for the establishment of a critical traffic and parking area, in accordance with section 478.710 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinance, have been met.

Attachments: Map of Area

Cc: Council Member Lilligren
Council Member Schiff
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