



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of

Date: October 8, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Amendment to Critical Parking Area #24**

Recommendation:

Amend Critical Parking Area #24 to include:

- Drew Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street West, both sides of the street adjacent to residential uses.
- Chowen Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street W, West side of the street only adjacent to residential uses.

The additional area will be signed differently as "NO PARKING – 4PM 10PM DAILY, EXCEPT BY PERMIT".

Previous Directives: None

Department Information

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Approved by: _____

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

Presenters in Committee: Atif Saeed, Public Works Parking Systems Manager

Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: Neighborhood meetings were conducted.
- City Goals: To ensure a Healthy, vital and safe city.
- Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable
- Zoning Code: Not Applicable
- Other

Supporting Information

Residents have requested Critical Parking Area #24 be modified due to parking congestion caused by customers, employees, and visitors of adjacent businesses on the blocks of Drew Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street West, and Chowen Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street. These vehicles take up the majority of the on-street parking. The critical parking permit process will help to ensure that residents have available parking close to home.

The amended Critical Parking Area #24 is proposed to be signed, "NO PARKING – 4PM – 10PM DAILY, EXCEPT BY PERMIT", on Drew Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street West on both sides of the street, and on Chowen Avenue South from 49th Street W to 50th Street W, West side of the street only and adjacent only to residential uses.

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; and
- 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 and recreational facilities.

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 based on ordinance criteria.

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 and traffic circulation 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.

Attachment: Map of the Area
Petition

Cc:

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