



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

Date: April 1, 2014

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: Amend Critical Parking Area #24

Recommendation: Amend Critical Parking Area #24 as follows:

The identified area will be signed as "NO PARKING – 4PM – 10PM DAILY, EXCEPT BY PERMIT". The amended change is:

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

Residents on both sides of Drew Avenue S and on the West side of Chowen Avenue S. only can purchase CPA #24 permits.

Previous Directives:

October, 18, 2013 -- Amended 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 as "NO PARKING – 4PM-10PM DAILY, EXCEPT BY PERMIT".

Department Information

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Presenters in Committee: Jon Wertjes, P.E., Director of Traffic & Parking Services

Reviews - NA

Financial Impact No financial impact

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: Neighborhood meetings were conducted.
- City Goals: To ensure a healthy, vital and safe city.

Supporting Information

After implementation of the October 18, 2013 Council action that amended Critical Parking Area #24 to include Drew and Chowen Avenues South from 49th Street W to 50th Street W, area residents and businesses determined that further discussions were needed.

The Fulton Neighborhood Association lead a community dialogue among residential and business interests. Several discussions were held among the stakeholders to address the parking needs and concerns of these two blocks. As a result of these discussions, the interested community members concluded circumstances warranted a change to the initial parking configuration. As such, a new proposal was developed.

The new proposal's key change was to reduce the critical parking from both sides of Drew Avenues South to only the west side of this street block. No changes to Chowen Avenue were proposed. The proposal also clarified that the residential properties on both sides of Drew Avenue S were still eligible to obtain a critical parking permit.

A document was then circulated to determine the level of community support for this proposal. As of March 24, 2014 per the attached document, the proposal has strong support:

- On Drew Avenue, 20 of 26 (77%) of residential and business properties indicated support for the proposal, 1 property not supporting, and 5 properties have not responded;
- On Chowen Avenue, 8 of 10 (80%) of residential and business properties indicated support for the proposal and 2 properties have not responded;
- Overall, there is support of 78% of the affected residential and business properties.

Public Works concurs there is strong community support, circumstances have changed, and the proposal brought forth by the community is reasonable and appropriate. This new proposal demonstrates that there has been a "change of circumstances" warranting a modification of the streets included in the critical parking area. Therefore, Public Works requests the City Council amend Critical Parking Area #24 as described above in accordance with section 478.710 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances.

Attachment: Map of the Area
Community Support Document with Signatures received March 24, 2014

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