

**AN ORDINANCE  
OF THE  
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

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**Amending Title 20, Chapter 541 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Off-Street Parking and Loading.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That section 541.230 be amended to read as follows:

**541.230. Required plan approval.** Plans for any use requiring movement of vehicles across public walks or access through a public alley or street shall be referred to the city engineer for review before any permits are issued. The city engineer shall consider, but not be limited to, the following factors when determining whether to approve the proposed plan:

- (1) The consolidation of curb cuts shall be encouraged, and new curb cuts shall be discouraged whenever appropriate, considering safe traffic flow, the objectives of this ordinance, and access points needed for the proper functioning of the use.
- (2) Where a residential use is served by an alley, direct access to the street through a curb cut shall be discouraged, except where such curb cut extends into a corner side yard. Direct access to the street through a curb cut shall not be allowed where an alley serves a single and two-family dwelling or multiple-family dwelling having three (3) or four (4) dwelling units, except where such curb cut extends into a corner side yard or reverse corner side yard.
- (3) The use shall not substantially increase congestion of the public streets or impede pedestrian traffic.
- (4) The space allocated to the use shall be adequate to keep vehicles clear of sidewalks, alleys and similar areas.
- (5) The location of driveways relative to other existing uses is such that street traffic shall not be seriously disrupted and no unnecessary hazards shall be established for pedestrians. In no instance shall a driveway be allowed on a limited access roadway ramp or combined limited access roadway ramp frontage road.