



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

**Date:** October 25, 2011

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

**Subject:** **Implementation of a Critical Traffic and Parking Area at: 00 Block of Sidney Place – Both Sides**

**Recommendation:**

Adopt the findings per the Ordinance 478.710, and establish a “Type B” Critical Traffic and Parking Area, to include the following city street:

00 Block of Sidney Place – Both Sides -- (see attached)

To be signed “No Parking, 9AM-8PM Daily, Except by Permit”.

**Previous Directives:**

None

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**Approved by:**

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**Presenters:** Timothy Drew, Project Engineer, 673-2152

**Reviews:** Not Applicable

**Financial Impact**

Action is within current department budget

**Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification: Signed Petition  
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 taking up all available on-street parking on Sidney Place. The parking congestion is being caused by students, commuters riding the bus on University Ave, TCF Stadium visitors and employees/customers frequenting the adjacent business. The area will be signed “No Parking, 9AM – 8PM Daily, Except by Permit”. The CPA will be an effective way to ensure parking for residents living on Sidney Place.

## Findings

The above amendment 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 residential vehicles exceeds number of off-street parking spaces.

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 area businesses or recreational/entertainment facilities during the proposed hours of restriction.

*The area is detrimentally impacted by vehicles from commuters, stadium parkers, 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 are more residential vehicles than available off-street parking spaces for the addresses listed in this Critical Traffic and Parking area.*

- 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 created 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 has reduced the health, safety and welfare of the area thus resulting in a less attractive and livable neighborhood.*

The Findings for the amendment 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 Area

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