

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2007 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Authorization to Request No Parking Restrictions on 68 th Street, west of Main Street	✓ Resolution Ordinance Motion Discussion Only	Robin Weaver Interim Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

An ordinance has been prepared to place no parking restrictions on the north side of 68th Street, between Main Street and a point about 750 feet to the west, to address the issue of vehicles parking on both sides of 68th street and causing access and safety issues near the Main Street intersection.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Vision for 2021 identified *Unique Neighborhoods*. A supporting objective of this statement is *Top Quality Infrastructure Tailored to Each Neighborhood*.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY07 General Fund budget includes funds for signage and striping installation.

UPDATE & RECOMMENDATION

This item was discussed at the July 24, 2007 Workshop. Staff recommends approval on the August 7, active agenda. Staff will observe the impact of this item and report back to Council with its findings in six months.

BACKGROUND

A neighborhood meeting was held on March 27, 2007, followed by a Parking & Traffic Commission meeting on May 9, 2007, to address on-street parking concerns along 68th Street. Residents are concerned that vehicles currently park on both sides of 68th Street and reduce the roadway width so that two-way travel is limited, emergency vehicle access is impeded and an unsafe condition exists for both businesses and neighbors traversing through the area. The roadway width of 68th Street is 28 feet, and with parking on both sides, the navigable width is reduced to about 13 feet.

Following discussions with the neighbors, staff has determined that parking restrictions along one side would best address the current parking and vehicular access concerns. From many field observations, staff has observed between six and eight vehicles parked on both sides of 68th Street at any one time. Staff is proposing to relocate all the parked vehicles to only the south side of 68th Street, by designating eight spaces with pavement markings. Further, staff is proposing *No Parking Any Time* signage along the north side of 68th Street, between Main Street and a point about 750 feet to the west. In this way, the business users will still be able to park on 68th Street but not use the entire street.

The on-street parking spaces are proposed to be striped with the Village's pavement marking contractor within the next several weeks, weather permitting.

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE

COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

INITIATED: Village Attorney **DATE:** August 7, 2007
(Name)

RECOMMENDATION FROM: Parking & Traffic Commission **FILE REF:** #11-07
(Board or Department)

NATURE OF ACTION:

STEPS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT ACTION:

X Ordinance

Resolution

Motion

Other

Motion to Adopt “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON 68TH STREET”, as presented.

SUMMARY OF ITEM:

Adoption of the attached ordinance will restricting parking on certain portions of 68th Street.

RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN:

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING
RESTRICTIONS ON 68TH STREET**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove in DuPage County,
Illinois, as follows: (Additions are indicated by ~~shading~~/underline; deletions by ~~strikeout~~):

Section 1. That Section 14.98 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14.98 No parking zones-Generally.

No person shall park or let stand, any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle at any time in any of the following locations:

* * *

68th Street, on the north side, from Main Street to a point seven hundred fifty (750) feet west of Main Street.

* * *

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:

Published:

Attest: _____
Village Clerk