

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2008 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Ordinance Changes – Mochel Drive and Curtiss Street	✓ Resolution Ordinance Motion Discussion Only	Robin A. Weaver Interim Public Works Director

SYNOPSIS

An ordinance has been prepared to amend sections of the Municipal Code to include the installation of a stop sign at the southwest corner of Curtiss Street and Mochel Drive and to properly recognize the crosswalk at Mochel and Curtiss within the Village Code.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Five Year Plan and Goals for 2007-2012 identified *Exceptional Municipal Organization* with an objective of *Top Quality Core Services Responsive to Current and Future Community and Citizen Needs*.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A.

UPDATE & RECOMMENDATION

This item was discussed at the October 28, 2008 Workshop. Staff recommends approval on the November 4, 2008 active agenda.

BACKGROUND

The proposed ordinance would remove the crosswalk designation from Section 14.68 and place it in Section 14.67. This would be consistent with all the DB crosswalk designations. A new stop sign at the southwest corner of Curtiss and Mochel would be added to Section 14.80 of the Municipal Code.

Prior to the parking deck being built, Mochel Drive did not exist. Once the deck was built, the street was constructed to intersect with Curtiss Street, thus making it a “T” intersection with three legs. The direction of traffic along Curtiss Street was one-way eastbound and two-way on Mochel Drive to the parking deck. Mochel Drive was stop sign controlled at Curtiss Street. A crosswalk was located at the intersection. Per Village Code, the crosswalk was designated as a mid-block crosswalk.

As part of the Acadia on the Green project, Mochel Drive from Curtiss Street to Burlington Avenue was constructed. The intersection of Mochel Drive and Curtiss Street became a four-legged intersection. Mochel Drive is one-way northbound (east of Curtiss).

Originally, the mid-block crosswalk on Curtiss Street, where Mochel Drive currently exists, had to be designated because there was no intersecting street. Pedestrian crossing at locations other than intersections or designated crosswalks is prohibited. Chapter 14.68 of the Municipal Code reflects the crosswalk designation. The crosswalk designation needs to be updated to reflect the construction of Mochel Drive. In addition, the number of vehicles and number of pedestrians at that intersection warrants a stop sign on Curtiss Street at Mochel (southwest corner).

This crosswalk matter was reviewed by the Transportation and Parking Commission on August 13, 2008. They recommended that the Village Code be updated to include the crosswalk location and they had no objection to the installation of a stop sign for eastbound Curtiss.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance

Curtiss/Mochel Stop & X-Walk

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
AT CURTISS STREET AND MOCHEL DRIVE**

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 14.67. is hereby amended to read as follows:

14.67. Crosswalks designated.

(a) Pedestrian crosswalks are hereby designated at the locations listed below on the following streets:

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Curtiss Street. Across Curtiss Street on the east and west sides of Mochel Drive.

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Section 2. That Section 14.68. is hereby amended to read as follows:

14.68. Crossing Main Street at crosswalks required between Burlington Avenue and Curtiss Street, Crossing Curtiss Street at crosswalks required between Washington Street and Main Street.

No pedestrian shall cross Main Street in an easterly or westerly direction between Burlington Avenue and Curtiss Street, except at the designated crosswalks on Burlington Avenue, Curtiss Street and at a point two hundred seven feet south of the property line of Burlington Avenue.

~~————— No pedestrian shall cross Curtiss Street in a northerly or southerly direction between Washington Street and Main Street, except at the designated crosswalks on Washington Street and Main Street and at a point three hundred eleven feet east of the east line of Main Street. ————(Ord. No. 689, § 1; Ord. No. 2745, § 28.)~~

Section 3. That Section 14.80 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14.80 Isolated stop signs.

There shall be erected in conspicuous places as hereinafter designated, signs lettered with the word "Stop", which signs shall be so located as to direct vehicular traffic on the specified streets to come to a full stop before proceeding into or across the intersecting streets:

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Curtiss Street. At the southwest corner of the intersection of Curtiss Street and Mochel Drive, to direct vehicular traffic proceeding easterly on Curtiss Street to come to a full stop before proceeding across Mochel Drive.

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Section 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

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Section #5. 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

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