

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village Council Meeting
11/7/2017

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
Amend Various Sections of the Municipal Code Concerning Parking and Traffic Regulations	Nan Newlon Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

An ordinance has been prepared to amend various sections of the Municipal Code concerning parking and traffic regulatory sign revisions.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2017-2019 include *Exceptional Municipal Services*.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the November 14, 2017 active agenda.

BACKGROUNDRegulatory Signs – Traffic

Installation of regulatory STOP signs on Lee Avenue at the intersections of:

- Lee and Janet Street, controlling east and westbound traffic on Janet Street
- Lee and Carol Street, controlling east and westbound traffic on Carol Street
- Lee and Virginia Street, controlling east and westbound traffic on Virginia Street

The installation of STOP signs at these locations was initiated by residents' concerns about safety at these uncontrolled intersections. Staff conducted a review of traffic in this area and concluded the proposed two-way stop control was warranted. These items were presented at the September 2017 Transportation and Parking Commission (TAP) meeting and were recommended for approval by a vote of 6-0.

Regulatory Signs – Parking – Cross Street

This item was presented by staff in response to residents' concerns with the lack of parking restrictions on Cross Street. All other streets in this area have parking restrictions because of proximity to Puffer Elementary School and the Belmont Train Station. The frequency of commuter parking creates concerns with safely navigating the street. Cross Street is a north-south local street that is roughly 24 feet wide with a vertical curve between Burlington and Haddow. Staff recommended implementing a maximum four hour parking restriction on both sides of Cross Street.

This item was also presented at the September 2017 TAP meeting and recommended for approval by a 6-0 vote.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance

Draft Meeting Minutes – TAP Commission September 13, 2017

Exhibits

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN TRAFFIC PROVISIONS

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 14.80 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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Carol Street. At the northeast and southwest corners of the intersection of Carol Street and Lee Avenue, to direct vehicular traffic proceeding easterly and westerly on Carol Street to come to a full stop before proceeding across or into Lee Avenue.

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Janet Street. At the northeast and southwest corners of the intersection of Janet Street and Lee Avenue, to direct vehicular traffic proceeding easterly and westerly on Janet Street to come to a full stop before proceeding across or into Lee Avenue.

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Virginia Street. At the northeast and southwest corners of the intersection of Virginia Street and Lee Avenue, to direct vehicular traffic proceeding easterly and westerly on Virginia Street to come to a full stop before proceeding across or into Lee Avenue.

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Section 2. That Section 14.107. is hereby amended to read as follows:

14.107. Four-hour parking--Between 6:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., except on weekends and holidays.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or let stand any vehicle in a parking space in any of the locations in paragraph (a) of this Section in such manner that the front of such vehicle is directed away from the curbing or not in accordance with the posted signage; provided, that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any parking space unless there shall be posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of such parking space appropriate signs stating the restriction imposed by this subsection.

(a) Except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, it shall be unlawful for any person to park, stop or let stand any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle for more than four consecutive hours at any time between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. local time, in any of the following locations:

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Cross Street, on the east and west sides, from Burlington Avenue to Haddow Avenue.

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Section 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. 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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**TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION
Staff Excerpt**

September 13, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Village Hall
801 Burlington Avenue, Downers Grove

Chairwoman Dunne called to order the September 13, 2017 meeting of the Transportation and Parking Commission at 7:00 p.m. and led the meeting with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call followed and a quorum was established.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairwoman Dunne; Commissioners Carter, Saricks, Wilkinson, Jenkins

Absent: Commissioner Schiller, Wrobel

Staff Present: Public Works Traffic Engineer Will Lorton

Chairwoman Dunne explained the protocol for the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on non-Agenda items) – None.

File #17-17 Mini Study #2 Lee Avenue – At Janet Street, Carol Street, and Virginia Street – Traffic Control Revisions: Traffic Engineer Will Lorton summarized that this matter was instigated with the policy to address all uncontrolled four leg intersections. These three locations were identified in the July meeting to have traffic counts and crash histories reviewed. Staff explained the volumes and limited crash history.

Staff explained that this would be very similar to the other areas that have been revised in the past. Staff recommended that all three locations become two way stop control with Lee Avenue acting as free flow. Staff reminded the commissioners of the warrants and that all way stops were not warranted.

The chairwoman invited the public to speak.

Only a few residents spoke on the issue (Some after the vote) but it was all positive responses. Public comment was closed.

WITH RESPECT TO FILE #17-17, MR. SCHILLER MADE A MOTION THAT THE TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION TO THE VILLAGE COUNCIL TO REVISE THE TRAFFIC CONTROL AS PRESENTED, MAKING THE INTERSECTIONS OF LEE AVENUE AT JANET STREET, LEE AVENUE AT CAROL STREET, AND LEE AVENUE AT VIRGINIA STREET ALL TWO WAY STOP CONTROL WITH STOP SIGNS REGULATING THE EAST AND WEST MOVEMENTS.

SECONDED BY MR. WILKINSON.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE OF 5-0.

File #19-17 Cross Street – Between Haddow Avenue and Burlington Avenue – Parking Revisions: Traffic Engineer Will Lorton summarized that this matter was raised by a concerned

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resident on the south end of the street. Similar to an issue on Granville Avenue, he explained that a temporary Managers Memo was drafted to make immediate revisions in the area. After discussion with residents prior to the meeting the recommendation was to make one side of Cross Street 4 hour parking and the other no parking.

Staff explained that this would be very similar to the other north/south roadways in the area.

The chairwoman invited the public to speak.

Many of the residents spoke out against the initial idea of no parking on both sides of Cross Street. Residents were open to the idea of less restrictive parking restrictions and as such desired to see 4 hour parking on both sides of the street. Mr. Lorton added that he received calls and emails from residents in opposition to any No Parking zones.

Public comment was closed.

WITH RESPECT TO FILE #19-17, MR. JENKINS MADE A MOTION THAT THE TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION TO THE VILLAGE COUNCIL TO REVISE THE ORDINANCE FOR CROSS STREET, ON BOTH SIDES, BETWEEN BURLINGTON AVENUE AND HADDOW AVENUE, TO BE 4 HOUR PARKING.

SECONDED BY MR. SARICKS.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE OF 5-0.

DRAFT EXCERPTS PREPARED BY STAFF

- Legend
- 2 Hour Parking - 6am - 6pm

2 Hour Parking - 6am - 12noon

2 Hour Parking - 7am - 4pm

2 Hour Parking - 9am - 5pm

3 Hour Parking - 6am - 6pm

3 Hour Parking - 7am - 4pm

4 Hour Parking - 6am - 6pm

2 Hour Parking - 3pm - 6pm

No Parking - 2am - 6am

No Parking - 6am - 8am

No Parking - 6am - 9am

No Parking - 6am - 6pm

No Parking - 7am - 9am

No Parking - 7am - 1pm

No Parking - 7am - 4pm

No Parking - 7:30am - 9:30am

No Parking - 8am - 9am

No Parking - 8am - 11am

No Parking - 8am - 6pm

No Parking - 12pm - 3pm

No Parking - 1:30pm - 2:30pm

No Parking - 2pm - 3pm

No Parking - 2pm - 4pm

No Parking - 3pm - 5pm

No Parking - 4pm - 6pm

No Parking - 5pm - 9pm

No Parking - 4pm - 7pm M-F Apr-Nov

No Parking - 4pm - 11pm M-F Apr-Nov

No Parking - 9am - 4pm Sat Apr-Nov

No Parking - 12pm - 4pm Sun Apr-Nov

No Parking Anytime

Parallel Parking Only



Exhibit 19-17

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