

COUNCIL ACTION FORM**SUBJECT: PARKING REGULATIONS ON TIMBER RIDGE DRIVE****BACKGROUND:**

On February 10, 2012, City Council referred to staff a letter from Chuck Winkleblack regarding the existing parking regulations along Timber Ridge Drive in the Estates West Subdivision located off of North Dakota Avenue. The letter indicated the current ordinance prohibits parking on both sides of Timber Ridge Drive and that the residents in the subdivision would like to see parking allowed along one side of the street.

After receiving the initial request from Mr. Winkleblack, staff found that the preliminary plat had anticipated that parking be prohibited only along the north side of Timber Ridge Drive, which is consistent with the City's normal standard, given the width of the road and that the fire-hydrants/water main are also located on the north side of the street.

Following the review of the subdivision information and performing a field review of Timber Ridge Drive, staff did not find a safety or operational reason to not allow on-street parking. Therefore, staff recommends that an ordinance be drafted to revise Section 18.31 (345) of the *Municipal Code* to prohibit parking at all times along the north side of Timber ridge Drive.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Direct the City Attorney to develop an ordinance revising the parking regulations on Timber Ridge Drive to prohibit parking at all times on the north side of the road.
2. Reject this ordinance.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This revision would be consistent with the City's normal parking standards and practice.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby directing the City Attorney to develop an ordinance revising the parking regulations on Timber Ridge Drive to prohibit parking at all times on the north side of the road.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA, BY REPEALING SECTION 18.31 (345) AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION 18.31 (345), FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING PARKING REGULATIONS ON TIMBER RIDGE DRIVE PROHIBITING PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE AT ALL TIMES OF THE DAY; REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED, by the City Council for the City of Ames, Iowa, that:

Section One. The Municipal Code of the City of Ames, Iowa shall be and the same is hereby amended by repealing Section 18.31 (345) and enacting a new Section 18.31 (345) as follows:

“Sec. 18.31. REGULATIONS FOR SPECIFIC STREETS OR LOCATIONS.

(345) **TIMBER RIDGE DRIVE.** Parking is prohibited at all times on the north side of Timber Ridge Drive.”

Section Two. Violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall constitute a simple misdemeanor punishable as set out by law.

Section Three. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, if any.

Section Four. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Passed this _____ day of _____, _____.

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor