

~~ITEM # 12
DATE: 02-13-18~~

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: PHOENIX STREET PARKING ORDINANCE

BACKGROUND:

Staff received a safety concern from a citizen that on-street parking at the westbound approach of the Phoenix Street and North Dakota Avenue intersection was creating a sight distance problem and causing the potential for collisions from cars turning off of North Dakota onto Phoenix.

Staff performed an analysis of the sight distance and turning movements at the intersection, determining that the presence of on-street parking on both sides of Phoenix Street between North Dakota Avenue and Yuma Avenue does create a safety issue. As a result of this finding, staff is recommending that an update to the parking ordinance be made along Phoenix Street to include a restriction of parking at all times on the north side from the intersection with North Dakota Avenue to Yuma Avenue.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance that adds a restriction to parking at all times on the north side of Phoenix Street from North Dakota Avenue to Yuma Avenue.
2. Do not make any ordinance changes at this time.

MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By directing legal staff to make an ordinance update, it will be possible to improve the safety of our traffic system in this area.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA, BY REPEALING SECTION 18.31 (193) AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION 18.31 (193) THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARKING REGULATIONS ON PHOENIX STREET; REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; PROVIDING A PENALTY; 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 (193) and enacting a new Section 18.31 (193) as follows:

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

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(193) **PHOENIX STREET.**

- (a) Parking is prohibited at all times on the south side between Mesa Verde Place and Garfield Avenue.
- (b) Parking is prohibited at all times on the north side of Phoenix Street from North Dakota Avenue to Yuma Avenue.

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Section Two. Violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall constitute a municipal infraction 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

John A. Haila, Mayor