



Wauwatosa, WI

Transportation Affairs Committee

Meeting Agenda - Final

7725 W. North Avenue
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

6:30 PM

Committee Room #1 and Zoom:
<https://servetosa.zoom.us/j/81144274572>,
Meeting ID: 811 4427 4572

Regular Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

TRANSPORTATION AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ITEMS

1. Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Committee Annual Report [23-413](#)
2. Consideration of request to amend the official stop sign map to include the installation of all-way stop control at the 72nd Street intersection with Maple Terrace following the conclusion of a 90-day trial [23-1257](#)
3. Consideration of request to prohibit parking between eight a.m. and six p.m., except on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, on the east side of 114th Street from the south lot line of 456 N. 114th Street to the south lot line of 526 N. 114th Street [23-1258](#)
4. Consideration of request for a fifteen-minute parking zone from noon to five p.m. except Sundays and legal holidays on the north side of North Avenue from 90-feet west of 85th Street to 130-feet west of 85th Street following the conclusion of a 90-day trial [23-1259](#)
5. Consideration of request for a 30-minute loading zone from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays on the north side of St. James Street from 30-feet east of 74th Street to 75-feet east of 74th Street [23-1260](#)

ADJOURNMENT

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Staff Report

File #: 23-1257

Agenda Date: 12/12/2023

Agenda #: 2.

Consideration of request to amend the official stop sign map to include the installation of all-way stop control at the 72nd Street intersection with Maple Terrace following the conclusion of a 90-day trial

Submitted by:

Michael May, PE, PTOE, RSP1

Department:

DPW-Engineering

A. Issue

The existing two-way stop configuration of 72nd Street & Maple Terrace violates driver expectancy, and poor visibility of an unofficial trailhead creates a potential safety situation to intersection users.

B. Background/Options

On July 19, 2023, staff requested consideration to amend the official stop sign map to include the installation of all-way stop control at the 72nd Street intersection with Maple Terrace. At the direction of the Transportation Affairs Committee, a 90-day trial of all-way stop control was initiated. The 90-day trial commenced in August with the installation of additional signs.

The 72nd Street & Maple Terrace intersection looks and feels like a three-leg T-intersection to approaching motorists. The south leg of the intersection (72nd Street) forms the “stem” of the T while the east and west legs (Maple Terrace) form the “top” of the T. The east and west legs of Maple Terrace are controlled by stop signs while the south leg of operates uncontrolled. This layout is unconventional to driver expectation - typically if the “top” of the T is controlled by stop signs the “stem” if the T is also controlled by stop signs. Motorists east and west on the Maple Terrace were observed to stop and then continue through the intersection with the expectation that traffic from the south on 72nd Street will also stop. This is not the case - traffic from the south does not stop and leads to horn blowing.

In response to these observations, staff had considered recommending the removal of all stop signs at the intersection and operating the intersection uncontrolled under normal right-of-way rules. However, upon further observation, the removal of stop signs is not recommended. There is an unofficial north/south trail that has been blazed on City right-of-way immediately north of the intersection, that is used by bicyclists and pedestrians. The trailhead at 72nd Street & Maple Terrace is difficult to see if motorists on all legs of the intersection are not required to stop.

At the July meeting, the Transportation Affairs Committee asked staff to observe the trailhead. Staff used video traffic count equipment for the observations. The trail was observed to be primarily used by adults running and walking. Several students were observed entering and existing the trail around 8:25am and 3:35pm by foot or by bike. The heaviest trail use occurred on Saturday late morning and early afternoon. The intersection as a whole

was observed to have a high volume of pedestrian use on Sunday mornings due to church services at Meadowbrook Church located east at 70th Street & Maple Terrace.

For the purpose of increasing the visibility and safety of the trailhead at 72nd Street & Maple Terrace, all-way stop control is warranted and recommended at the 72nd Street & Maple Terrace intersection.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

Priority 2: Public Safety; Goal 2. Proactively address pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular safety.

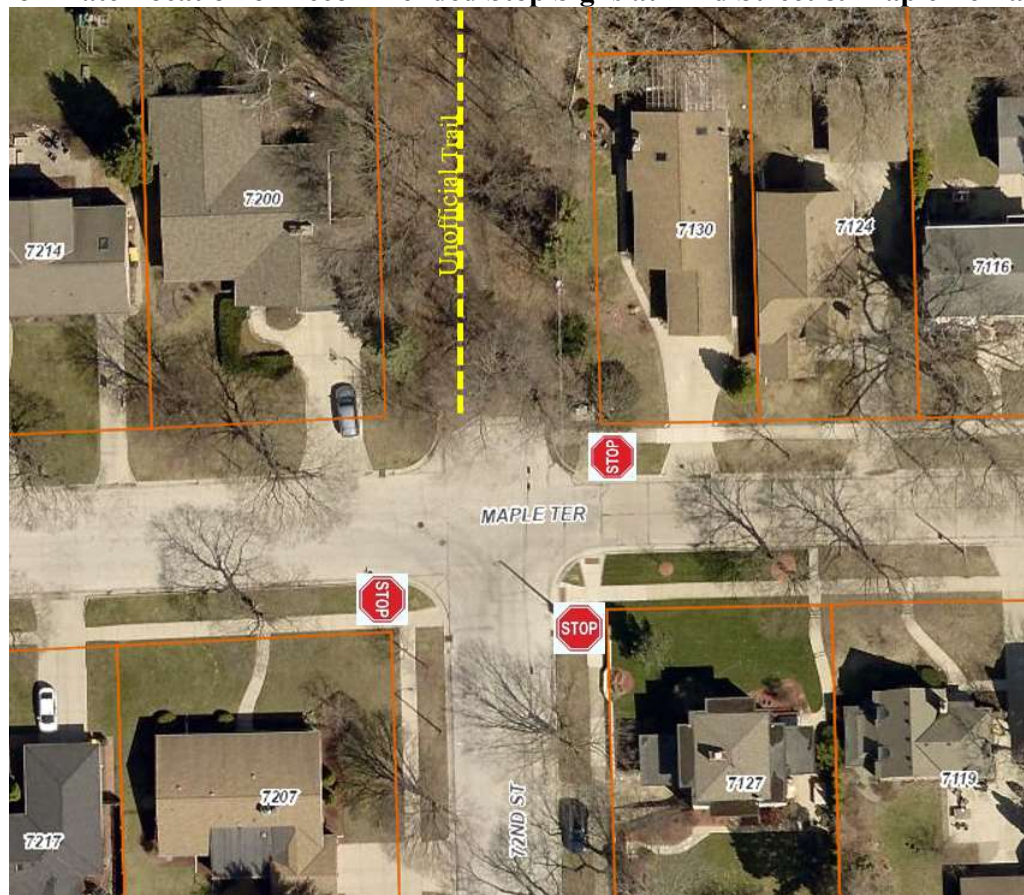
D. Fiscal Impact

No additional expenses. Stop signs are already posted from the 90-day trial.

E. Recommendation

Recommend the Common Council amend the official stop sign map to include the installation of all-way stop control at the 72nd Street intersection with Maple Terrace

Approximate Location of Recommended Stop Signs at 72nd Street & Maple Terrace





Staff Report

File #: 23-1258

Agenda Date: 12/12/2023

Agenda #: 3.

Consideration of request to prohibit parking between eight a.m. and six p.m., except on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, on the east side of 114th Street from the south lot line of 456 N. 114th Street to the south lot line of 526 N. 114th Street

Submitted by:

Michael May, PE, PTOE, RSP1

Department:

DPW-Engineering

A. Issue

Existing posted parking regulations on 114th Street are inconsistent with existing ordinance

B. Background/Options

Wauwatosa Municipal Code 11.32.080 currently restricts parking along the east side of 114th Street as follows:

- No parking for more than two hours between nine a.m. and six p.m., except on Sundays and legal holidays, from 26 feet north of W. Blue Mound Road to the south lot line of 456 N. 114th Street
- No parking between eight a.m. and six p.m., except on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, from the south lot line of 526 N. 114th Street to West Wisconsin Avenue.

The parking restriction outlined in the second bullet was observed during a recent field visit to start at the south lot line of 456 N. 114th and not the south lot line of 526 N. 114th Street. The south lot line of 456 N. 114th Street is the interface between commercial properties to the south and single-family dwellings to the north. It is recommended to keep signs as they are currently posted and revise the ordinance language to match.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

N/A

D. Fiscal Impact

None

E. Recommendation

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance to prohibit parking between eight a.m. and six p.m., except on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, on the east side of 114th Street from the south lot line of 456 N. 114th Street to the south lot line of 526 N. 114th Street.

Location of Proposed Ordinance Change to Match Existing Signs





Staff Report

File #: 23-1259

Agenda Date: 12/12/2023

Agenda #: 4.

Consideration of request for a fifteen-minute parking zone from noon to five p.m. except Sundays and legal holidays on the north side of North Avenue from 90-feet west of 85th Street to 130-feet west of 85th Street following the conclusion of a 90-day trial

Submitted by:

Michael May, PE, PTOE, RSP1

Department:

DPW-Engineering

A. Issue

Parking turn-over on the 8500 block of North Avenue.

B. Background/Options

On September 12, 2023, the Transportation Affairs Committee approved a request to initiate a 90-day trial of a fifteen-minute parking zone from noon to five p.m. except Sundays and legal holidays on the north side of North Avenue from 90-feet west of 85th Street to 130-feet west of 85th Street.

Parking is currently prohibited along the north side of North Avenue from 85th Street to a point 30-feet west, and from 86th Street to a point 30-feet east. Between these no-parking zones exists a two-hour parking restriction between nine a.m. and ten p.m. except on Sundays and legal holidays.

The owner of Homestead Clocks & Accents, located at 8512 West North Avenue, approached the City to inquire about ways to encourage parking turn-over of in front of the business. The business does not have a dedicated parking lot and has a very narrow residential-like driveway. Customers of the business rely on curb parking to drop off and pick-up large clocks at the door for repair. Overlapping business hours with nearby properties results in the area in front of the 8512 West North Avenue being parked for long periods of time, which impedes customer access for drop-off and pick-up of the large clocks.

In review of the 90-day trial, parking turn-over has increased within the trial zone to aid Homestead Clocks & Accents and nearby businesses. Therefore, staff recommends making the parking change permanent.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

Priority 1: Economic Development and Financial Resilience, Goal 3 - Promote and support local businesses and anchor institutions

D. Fiscal Impact

Minor expenses for permanent installation of signs. Existing sign budget will accommodate these expenses

E. Recommendation

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance for a fifteen-minute parking zone from noon to five p.m. except Sundays and legal holidays on the north side of North Avenue from 90-feet west of 85th Street to 130-feet west of 85th Street.

Exhibit: Proposed Parking Regulation along North Avenue





Staff Report

File #: 23-1260

Agenda Date: 12/12/2023

Agenda #: 5.

Consideration of request for a 30-minute loading zone from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays on the north side of St. James Street from 30-feet east of 74th Street to 75-feet east of 74th Street

Submitted by:

Michael May, PE, PTOE, RSP1

Department:

DPW - Engineering

A. Issue

The Wauwatosa Lions Club, located at 7336 St. James Street, seeks a loading zone.

B. Background/Options

The Wauwatosa Lions Club seeks a loading zone on St. James Street to accommodate catering vehicles and other services for meetings, presentations, and gatherings. In addition to hosting meetings, the Lions Club rents the space out to other organizations for the hosting of events.

St. James Street is approximately 26-feet wide from curb face to curb face. The following outlines current nearby parking restrictions:

- Parking is prohibited along the north side of the 7300 block of St. James Street.
- Parking is prohibited for more than two hours between nine am and six pm, except on Sundays and legal holidays, on the south side of the 7300 block of St. James Street.
- Parking is prohibited for more than one hour between nine am and seven pm, except on Sundays and legal holidays, on the east side of 74th Street
- Parking is prohibited for more than two hours between nine am and six pm, except on Sundays and legal holidays, on the west side of 74th Street from 246-feet north of State Street to St. James Street. No prohibitions exist on the west side of 74th Street north of St. James Street.

Preliminary parking occupancy results show ample parking is available during the work day to accommodate loading and unloading of vehicles within existing parking areas. On weekday evenings, parking occupancy increases to 71% to 81% occupied, making space for loading and unloading more challenging to find. Data collected on Saturdays shows ample parking in the mornings. No data was collected for Saturday afternoons and evenings when the Lions Club may be rented for larger events.

The Lions Club's original request is for a loading zone from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Based on the preliminary parking study results, staff recommends a 30-minute loading zone from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays on the north side of St. James Street from 30-feet east of 74th Street to 75-feet east of 74th Street.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

N/A

D. Fiscal Impact

No financial impact to the City of Wauwatosa. DPW staff is responsible for posting loading zone signs. The costs for materials and labor are borne by the loading zone permit holder.

E. Recommendation

Direct staff to prepare ordinance for introduction to Council for a 30-minute loading zone from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays on the north side of St. James Street from 30-feet east of 74th Street to 75-feet east of 74th Street

Exhibit: Proposed Loading Zone on St. James Street





PERMIT SNAPSHOT REPORT LDZN2023-0002 FOR CITY OF WAUWATOSA

Permit Type DPW - Loading Zone **Project:** **App Date:** 05/19/2023
Work Class: Loading Zone **District:** 2 **Exp Date:** NOT AVAILABLE
Status: In Review **Square Feet:** 0.00 **Completed:** NOT COMPLETED
Valuation: \$0.00 **Assigned To:** Kilsdonk, Kristen **Approval**
Expire Date:
Description: Application for loading zone in front of property at 7336 St. James

Parcel: 3700314000	Main	Address: 7336 St James St Wauwatosa, WI 53213	Main	Zone: R1-6(Single-unit Residential-6)
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Owner Walico Inc 7336 St James ST Wauwatosa, WI 53213	Applicant Terry J Frye 7336 St James St Wauwatosa, WI 53213 Home: (414) 305-4003 Mobile: (414) 305-4003	Applicant Terry J Frye 7336 St James St Wauwatosa, WI 53213 Home: (414) 305-4003 Mobile: (414) 305-4003
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Permit Custom Fields

Description of Location	From driveway western edge of apron of 7328 St James. to east edge of electrical box that is present in the city right of way.	Lineal Foot Distance	56	Number & Type of Vehicles to Be Accommodated	2-3 cars/vans/ catering delivery vehicles
Nature of Materials to be Un/Loaded	Catering vehicles, drops offs support meetings/presentations/gatherings	Days and Time for Loading Zone to be Active	7am-11pm		

Review Team	Department
Michelz, Randy	Public Works

Attachment File Name	Added On	Added By	Attachment Group	Notes
Signature_Terry_Frye_5/20/2023.jpg	05/19/2023 21:07	Frye, Terry		Uploaded via CSS

Invoice No.	Fee	Fee Amount	Amount Paid
INV-00006398	Loading Zone	\$56.00	\$56.00
Total for Invoice INV-00006398		\$56.00	\$56.00
Grand Total for Permit		\$56.00	\$56.00

Workflow Step / Action Name	Action Type	Start Date	End Date
Permit Revision v.1			05/22/2023 8:03
Review v.1		05/22/2023 8:03	
Confirm application complete v.1	Generic Action		05/22/2023 8:42
Assess Fees v.1	Generic Action		
Update Permit Status v.1	Generic Action		
Issue Permit v.1			
Issue DPW Permit Approval v.1	Create Report		
Transportation Affairs Committee v.1			
Outcome from Transportation Affairs v.1	Generic Action		
Inspections v.1			
Loading Zone v.1	Inspection		
Assess Fees v.1	Generic Action		