



Legislation Text

File #: 23-1358B, Version: 1

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance establishing a “No Parking” Zone 80 feet north and south of the centerline of Porter Avenue on Loomis Street

DEPARTMENT: Transportation, Engineering and Development

SUBMITTED BY: Phil Tartaglia, TED Project Engineer

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

On January 4, 2024, the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) recommended approval to establish a “No Parking” Zone at a distance of 80 feet north and south of the center line of Porter Avenue on Loomis Street. Approved (7-0). Staff concurs.

BACKGROUND:

Staff received a request to evaluate the intersection sight distance at Porter Avenue and Loomis Street from a local resident. The request cited concerns regarding the sight distance when vehicles are parked along the east side of Loomis Street both north and south of the intersection.

In the review of the sight distance concerns, staff used the stopping sight distance and intersection sight distance set forth by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO).

DISCUSSION:

Based on the recent review of the sight distances, crash history, and speed data, staff is recommending removing two on-street parking spaces north and south of the intersection of Porter Avenue and Loomis Street. The removal of the on-street parking will improve the sightlines and improve intersection safety.

Staff sent out a related neighborhood survey and exhibit in November of 2023 to the residents along the east side of Loomis Street as well as North Central College located on the west side of the street. The survey proposed the elimination of the first two parking space both north and south of the intersection of Loomis Street and Porter Avenue. The survey response from the 12 adjacent resident and north central college is summarized in the table below:

Survey Response	
Support	7
Oppose	0
No Opinion	0

No Response	5
-------------	---

Per prior TAB guidance, a “no-response” is considered in support of the recommendation. Therefore, the results of the resident survey showed 100% of the neighborhood is in support of extending the “No Parking” Zone 80 feet north and south of Porter Avenue. A minimum of 60% of resident support is needed for TAB consideration.

The attached ordinance will rescind the existing parking restrictions on the east side of Loomis Street and replace it with a parking restriction that extends 80 feet north and south of the centerline of Porter Avenue.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Additional signage will be less than \$500.