



Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance rescinding the existing “No Parking” zone and establishing a “No Parking, Stopping, or Standing” zone on both sides of Central Park Road from a point 342 feet south of Benton Avenue to a point 564 feet south of Benton Avenue (requires six positive votes)

DEPARTMENT: Transportation, Engineering and Development

SUBMITTED BY: Andrew Hynes, City Traffic Engineer

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

The Transportation Advisory Board approved the recommendation 5-0 at the May 4, 2023 meeting. Staff concurs.

BACKGROUND:

Central Park Road is a one-way southbound road that is adjacent to Central Park on the east and various commercial and residential properties on the west. The road varies in width from approximately 24 feet (with adjacent parking) on the north portion to 14 feet at the south end. Central Park Road intersects with Concert Lane at the south end of the park. In 1992, the current ordinance prohibiting parking in the area north of the crosswalk on Central Park Road to the south edge of Concert Lane was passed. See attached exhibit.

Within the past few years, the Central Park Place development was built on former Nichols Library site (between Washington Street and Central Park Road, south of Benton Avenue). Condominiums and various commercial spaces are currently located, or in operation, on this site. Several doors for garage or storage areas in the new building are located immediately adjacent to Central Park Road.

DISCUSSION:

On occasion, residents report that a commercial delivery truck will park on the narrow, southern portion of Central Park Road blocking southbound traffic and access to the adjacent garage doors to the condominium building. Additional temporary signs have recently been added in this area to improve awareness and guidance to delivery drivers of the existing no parking restriction in this area. The condominium association requests that the area be converted from “No Parking” to “No Parking, Stopping, or Standing” to further prohibit short stops on this section of Central Park Road. Staff supports this recommendation.

A temporary sign is also posted that directs delivery drivers to unload north of the crosswalk on Central Park Road. The northern portion of Central Park Road has sufficient width to allow southbound traffic to pass a stopped delivery truck.

The former YMCA site is located north of the Central Park Road crosswalk. It is anticipated that this property will be redeveloped in the future and may also have delivery needs. Staff will work with the future developer to establish a more formal loading/unloading area adjacent to the site when a proposal is submitted.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Sign installation is approximately \$250.