



STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 2, 2018

CONSENT

ITEM #: 11

TO: City Council
FROM: Emily Becker, City Planner
AGENDA ITEM: Restricting Parking along Certain Streets
REVIEWED BY: Jack Griffin, City Engineer

BACKGROUND:

There are a number of new developments that have streets that do not meet street width standards for parking on both or any side of the street (as well as street projects that have caused streets to not meet these standards), according to adopted City Engineering Standards. These streets need to be signed “No Parking” in order to properly enforce these standards.

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

The City Council is being asked to adopt Resolution 2018-114 which declares certain streets or certain sides of certain streets that do not meet City Engineering Standards for street width for parking on both or one side of the street as “No Parking”.

REVIEW/ANALYSIS:

Engineering Street Width Standards. Adopted City Engineering Standards indicate the following minimum street width for parking:

- Both sides of the street: 28 feet
- One side of the street: 24 feet
- No parking: 22 feet or less

Streets with No or One-Sided Parking Added. As previously stated, there are a number of new developments that have streets that do not meet these standards. These street names are included in the attached resolution.

Enforcement. Currently, the Washington County’s Sheriff’s Department currently writes tickets for cars parked in no parking zones designated by Council and signed. They currently reference Minnesota Statutes Subd. 169.34: Prohibitions; Stopping, Parking, which prohibits any person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device at any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

Chapter 73: Parking Regulations of the City Code currently prohibits parking in certain “No Parking” zones throughout the City, unless a temporary parking permit has been issued by the City Administrator. However, because of the onerous process it takes to be able to reference this ordinance, Staff recommends that Council adopt a Resolution designating certain areas as “No Parking” instead of amending this ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

OPTIONS:

The City Council is being asked to adopt as part of tonight’s Consent Agenda Resolution 2018-114

- 1) Adopt Resolution 2018-114 as presented.
- 2) Amend Resolution 2018-114 and adopt as amended.
- 3) Do not adopt Resolution 2018-114.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution 2018-114, declaring certain streets or certain sides of certain streets within new developments that do not meet City Engineering Standards for street width for parking on both or one side of the street as “No Parking”.

“Move to adopt Resolution 2018-114, declaring certain streets or certain sides of certain streets within new developments that do not meet City Engineering Standards for street width for parking on both or one side of the street as “No Parking.”

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution 2018-114

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
WASHINGTON COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-114

A RESOLUTION RESTRICTING PARKING ALONG CERTAIN STREETS

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Elmo, Minnesota has adopted City Engineering Standards that allow parking on both sides of the street for streets 28 feet in width; restrict parking for streets 24 feet in width to one side of the street; and do not allow parking on streets 22 feet in width or less; and

WHEREAS, there have been a number of new developments in the City in which streets have been approved and constructed that do not meet the City Engineering Standard for parking on both sides or one side of the street; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lake Elmo shall ban the parking of motor vehicles on the following streets:

1. All cul-de-sacs within the City
2. Layton Avenue from 36th Street North to CSAH 14 (Stillwater Boulevard) (on the west side, where signed)
4. 39th Street from Lake Elmo Avenue to Laverne Avenue North
5. 41st Street North within the Legacy at North Star development where median exists
6. 39th Street North within the Legacy at North Star development where median exists

APPROVED by the Lake Elmo City Council on this 2nd day of October, 2018

By: _____
Mike Pearson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Johnson
City Clerk