



**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: 4/9/2019

**DISCUSSION**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** Kyla Rippey, Intern  
**AGENDA ITEM:** Street Widths and Parking Restrictions  
**REVIEWED BY:** Kristina Handt, City Administrator

**BACKGROUND:**

In respect to the concerns brought forth at the 3-19-19 regular council meeting regarding street width and parking capacity in the medium density residential development of Bentley Village, the City’s Engineering Design Standards were reviewed and compared to similar local residential street development in metro area.

**ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:**

Should the Engineering Design Standards for Lake Elmo be updated or do they remain appropriate?

**PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:**

**2018 Engineering Design Standards for Lake Elmo**

Geometric Design, Local Residential Street

- Minimum Street Width (B-B), parking both sides.....28-feet
- Minimum Street Width (B-B), parking one side (when allowed by City).....24-feet
- Minimum Street Width (B-B), no parking (when allowed by City).....22-feet

**Comparable Engineering Design Standards**

City	(b-b) parking both sides	(b-b) parking 1 side	(b-b) no parking
Lake Elmo	28 feet	24 feet	19 feet
Albertville* Marginal access	28 feet	28 feet	28 feet
Lakeville	32 feet		
Little Canada	32 feet		
Mahtomedi* Includes commercial	38 feet	32 feet	26 feet
Minnetrista* includes commercial	36 feet	32 feet	28 feet
Mounds View			25 feet
Oak Park Heights	28 feet		
Princeton	32 feet		
Rogers	28 feet	Will vary, no min in place	Will vary, no min in place
Victoria	32 feet	28 feet	28 feet
Waconia	28 -34 feet	28 feet	24 feet

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increasing residential street widths increases the cost of maintenance (seal coating, mill and overlay, reconstruction, etc) and impact storm water runoff and collection which comes with increased costs.

**OPTIONS:**

- Direct staff to make street width and parking changes to the Engineering and Design Standards for Lake Elmo
- Keep current Engineering and Design Standards for Lake Elmo without change
- Identify other questions relating to street width and parking on residential streets in Lake Elmo

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None