

STAFF REPORT

DATE: July 2, 2019

REGULAR

AGENDA ITEM: Parking on 32nd St

TO: Mayor and City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

BACKGROUND:

In 2018, 32nd Street North was reconstructed as part of the Old Village Phase 4 Street and Utility Improvements. Prior to the project the width of 32nd Street varied somewhat with an average width of about 18 feet. The street was reconstructed with new concrete curb and gutter to a width of 19 feet from back of curb to back of curb. As a result under our current standards, the road was signed as no parking on both sides.

Council reviewed and discussed this issue at the June 11th work session and provided direction to staff to change the parking allowances.

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

Should the Council approve no parking on the south side and the cul de sac area on 32nd St N east of Lake Elmo Ave?

PROPOSAL:

Following discussion of parking on 32nd St at the council work session on June 11th and council direction to provide for parking on one side, staff reviewed the construction plans and is recommending that parking only be allowed on the north side due to fewer driveways and fire hydrants located on that side. The small cul de sac and approach areas would also need to remain no parking in order to ensure vehicles have adequate space for turning around.

Council also wanted staff to check with the City Attorney about liability concerns. The City Attorney confirmed that the Council is exercising its legislative discretion and therefore would not be opening up the City to any increased liability.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NA

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve Resolution No 2019-049
- 2) Amend and then Approve Resolution No 2019-049

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve Resolution No 2019-049

CITY OF LAKE ELMO WASHINGTON COUNTY STATE OF MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-049

A RESOLUTION RESTRICTING PARKING ALONG 32nd STREET NORTH, EAST OF LAKE ELMO AVENUE

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Elmo, Minnesota has adopted City Engineering Standards that set parking standards for residential streets; and

WHEREAS, the City reconstructed 32nd Street east of Lake Elmo Avenue in 2018 to a width of about 19 feet; and

WHEREAS, the residents along this part of 32nd Street have requested the City allow parking on at least one side of the street; and

WHEREAS, the City Council reviewed this request during their work session on June 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council directed City staff to bring the matter back to the Council with a recommendation and for possible formal action; and

WHEREAS, City staff has reviewed this on-street parking request and is recommending that if the City Council is going to allow parking on 32nd Street North that the City Council only allow parking on the <u>north</u> side of 32nd Street North lying east of Lake Elmo Avenue.

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 <u>south</u> side of 32nd Street North lying east of Lake Elmo Avenue and in and around the cul-de-sac at the east end of 32nd Street North.

APPROVED by the Lake Elmo City Council on this 2nd day of July, 2019

	By:
	Mike Pearson
	Mayor
ATTEST:	
Julie Johnson	
City Clerk	