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To:

Municipal Services Committee

From:

Eric Lom, City Traffic Engineer

Date:

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Re:

Parking restriction change on Spencer Street, between Story Street & Pierce Avenue

Follow-Up to Six-Month Trial Period

The Traffic Section was contacted by a citizen regarding a parking issue on Spencer Street, between Story Street and Pierce Avenue. The citizen was questioning why parking was prohibited along the entire north side of this block, and whether the restriction could possibly be eliminated.

We believe the parking was initially removed in this area to address issues related to the Pierce Manufacturing building that was situated along the entire north side of the block. Subsequent to the demolition of the building about 10 years ago, the site was redeveloped and replaced with single-family homes, but the restriction was not removed at that time.

Based on our review of the situation, we felt the removal of this restriction would not come with any substantial downside. As such, we instituted a 6-month trial to test the change.

Upon review at the end of the trial period, it was determined the change had adequately addressed the issue. Additionally, we have received no negative feedback regarding this change. As such we recommend making the change permanent.

To accomplish this, the following ordinance action is required:

1. Repeal Ord. 86-74: "Parking be prohibited at all times on the north side of Spencer Street from the west right-of-way of Pierce Avenue westerly to the east right-of-way of Story Street."