



Staff Report

August 2, 2021 Council Workshop Meeting

Parking Restrictions on NE Everett Street, SW Park Street and SE Weir Street

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Time estimate: 10 minutes

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BACKGROUND: The City has received complaints related to parking at three locations:

- NE Everett Street (SR 500) at NE 38th Avenue
- SW Park Street south of SW 6th Avenue
- SE Weir Street south of NE 3rd Avenue

SUMMARY:

Engineering staff has conducted a sight distance study of the intersection at NE 38th Avenue and NE Everett Street. Traffic volumes on NE Everett have gradually increased over the last several years. Staff finds that vehicles parked north and south of NE 38th Avenue restrict sight distance below the recommended minimum amount. Engineering staff has been in contact with the Fire Marshal’s office regarding SW Park Street and SE Weir Street. The Fire Marshal’s office recommends that parking be restricted on one side to bring these narrow streets into general compliance with Fire Code.



Figure 1: Map showing locations of recommended parking restrictions.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

Improve road safety and emergency access.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

Sight distance and roadway width indicate that these parking restrictions are needed.

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

Staff has listened to community complaints and are responding accordingly. Nearby residents are being notified of the recommended parking restrictions.

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

Motorists, emergency services and residents will benefit. Some individuals will need to park their vehicles in alternative spaces.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

Consequences are limited to a reduction in parking spaces. There are no known shortages of spaces in these areas.

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact.

No.

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities?

There is no known impact.

What potential hurdles exist in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

None.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

Restricted parking is enforceable.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan, goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

T-1.2: Support the need for regular street maintenance, safety and efficiency improvements, and access management measures.

T-5.2: Ensure that adequate access for emergency services vehicles is provided throughout the City.

BUDGET IMPACT: The cost of implementation of the No Parking signs is minimal and will be covered by the existing street operations budget.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff intends to place a No Parking Resolution on the August 16, 2021 Council Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.