



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 10/25/2022

REQUESTER: Katherine Coffin

PRESENTER: David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2223-52:
A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, IMPLEMENTING TWO-HOUR PARKING LIMITS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF EUFAULA STREET BETWEEN PORTER AVENUE AND CRAWFORD AVENUE.

BACKGROUND:

On-street parking restrictions have been evaluated, over the years, pursuant to Public Works Procedure 3-001. This policy requires that a petition signed by at least 60% of the residents affected by the proposed parking restriction be submitted to the City's Transportation Engineer. If the requisite number of signatures can be verified, the City will install signs delineating the requested parking restriction. However, the current application is not to restrict on-street parking, but, rather, to implement limitations on how long a motorist may park in a given parking space.

The portion of Eufaula Street between Porter Avenue and Crawford Avenue has historically been dominated by the presence of vehicles associated with Highland Dairy. A location map is attached. Until recently, this has not been a problem. With the influx of new businesses, there is a new need for parking spaces to turn over to the benefit of the new businesses rather than to have motorists park all day prohibiting potential customers from accessing the spaces and potentially the new businesses. As such, a new problem has been identified that needs to be resolved. City staff received this request from a business owner in the area. A map of the corridor businesses is attached.

DISCUSSION:

Resolution R-2223-52 contains language that establishes new on street parking limitations that introduce two-hour parking on the north side of Eufaula Street between Porter Avenue and Crawford Avenue. The resolution directs staff to post the signs needed for enforcement of the said parking time limitations. If adopted, staff will issue the public notification on October 27, 2022, install the signs, and begin enforcement of the restrictions on November 1, 2022.

This is a common solution to public on-street parking demands of this nature. The City currently regulates public on-street parking throughout Downtown Norman.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution R-2223-52 establishing new on-street two-hour parking restrictions on the north side of Eufaula Street between Porter Avenue and Crawford Avenue.