



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 5, 2019

Re: Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to Establish Permit Parking at the Municipal Lot in the 1000 Block of Walnut Street between Tenth Street and Short Street

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to convert metered parking spaces to permit parking spaces in the municipal lot located in the 1000 block of Walnut Street, between Tenth Street and Short Street.

Discussion

Due to the scheduled mill and overlay of the municipal parking lot located in the 1000 block of Walnut Street, Parking division will be required to re-create compliant parking stalls in accordance Section 29-4.3 (off-street parking layout dimensions for standard sized vehicles) of the City Code. This will result in a reduction in the number of public parking spaces from 15 to 9, with one of those spaces serving as ADA compliant. With the dimensional limitations of the parking lot, specifically the need to ensure a twelve foot driving lane, it will be imperative that patrons utilizing the lot adhere to space dimensions for traffic flow purposes.

With the availability of abundant public parking located in the Short Street parking garage coupled with the demand for more permit parking in the area, evidenced by permit wait lists for the Short Street parking garage and Wabash bus station lot, it is staff's opinion that the limited parking spaces in the Walnut Street municipal lot would be better served as permitted as opposed to metered. Restricting the spaces to permit will help to avoid the possibility of oversized vehicles utilizing the spaces and creating traffic flow obstructions; as there will be fewer turnovers within the lot, leading to a lower probability of these occurrences.

With this being a more consistently clear and compliant driving path, it will not only benefit those accessing the lot for parking, but will also allow for much faster snow removal during snow events; leading to the ability for snow crews to respond quicker to other locations as well as provide easier access to the trash compactor located at the south end of the lot.

In order to remain compliant with ADA requirements, the one ADA compliant parking space will remain a public use space accompanied by a meter. The permit cost for this lot would mirror the other municipal lots at the Armory, Ninth & Ash, and Wabash Station.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Based on revenue from 2018, with the reduction of spaces, revenue will decrease from approximately \$10,100 to \$6,060 if metered parking is kept. If the spaces are



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converted to permit, the potential revenue would increase from \$6,060 to \$6,640. Net gain of approximately \$580 per year, assuming all permits sold.

Long-Term Impact: \$580 gained per year.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History

Date	Action
	None

Suggested Council Action

Pass the ordinance to amend Chapter 14 of the City Code as it relates to metered parking spaces in the municipal lot located on Walnut Street, between Tenth Street and Short Street, being converted to permit spaces.