



# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 6, 2017

Re: Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to Prohibit Parking on a Portion of University Avenue between College Avenue and Ann Street

## Executive Summary

Amending Chapter 14, Sections 324 and 328 of the City Code to establish "No Parking" on the north side of University Avenue, between College Avenue and Ann Street, at all times.

## Discussion

Section 14-285 of the City Code allows for restricted parking on one side of the street when the street does not exceed thirty feet in width. University Avenue, between College Avenue and Ann Street, is 30 ft wide with parking allowed at all times on the south side of the street, and prohibits parking on the north side between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Due to concerns raised about emergency vehicle access during the hours when vehicle are allowed to park on the north side of the street, staff installed temporary signs in November of 2016, restricting parking at all times on the north side of University Avenue between College Avenue and Ann Street.

Staff received one e-mail from a property owner who resides on the north side of University Avenue, and although supports a parking restriction on one side of the street, would prefer the restriction be placed on the south side of the street, rather than the north side. The property owner indicated that emergency vehicles tend to travel east on University Avenue, and allowing parking on the south side of the street seemed counter intuitive to clearing space for those vehicles. The property owner indicated it would make more sense to allow parking on the north side when the emergency vehicles would be leaving the neighborhood headed west.

After a thorough evaluation and considering the safety issue of more driveways located on the north side of University Avenue, staff recommends amending Sections 14-324 and 14-328 of the City Code to prohibit parking on the north side of University Avenue, between College Avenue and Ann Street, at all times. If Council passes this legislation, staff will install permanent signage and paint the curb yellow to provide clarity for the public.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$500 for materials, equipment, and labor, paid from Street Maintenance budget.

Long-Term Impact: \$500 as replacement signs may be needed, striping of curbs



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## Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

### Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Transportation, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

## Legislative History

Date	Action
11/21/2016	Temporary traffic regulation put in place to prohibit parking at all times on University Avenue, north side, between College Avenue and Ann Street.

## Suggested Council Action

Pass the ordinance amending sections 14-324, and 14-328 of the City Code to establish a "No Parking" area on the north side of University Avenue, between College Avenue and Ann Street.