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**To:** Council Members From: Council Office

Re: Weekly Packet Memo Date: June 28, 2013

### **Packet Related Material**

Memo Agenda Calendar Notices and Agendas: None

## **Legislation for Second Reading:**

None

## Legislation and Background Material for First Reading:

- Ord 13-10 To Amend Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" Re: Stop and Signalized Intersections, One Way Streets, Speed Zones, Angle Parking, No Parking, Limited Parking, Residential Neighborhood Permit Parking, Accessible Parking and the City Parking Garages
  - Memo to the Council from Susie Johnson, Director of Public Works;

Maps

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## **Minutes from Regular Session**:

None

## <u>Memo</u>

Reminder: Internal Work Session on Monday at Noon in the McCloskey Room

No Items Ready for Second Reading But One Ordinance Ready for Introduction at Regular Session on Wednesday, July 3rd

There are no items ready for second reading and one ordinance ready for introduction at the Regular Session next Wednesday. The one new ordinance is included in this packet and is summarized below.

## **First Readings:**

# Item One - Ord 13-10 - Amending Title 15 (Vehicles and Traffic)

Ord 13-10 offers amendments to Title 15 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Bloomington Municipal Code. These changes are summarized in the following charts and affect Stop and Signalized intersections, One Way Streets, Angle Parking, No Parking, Limited Parking, Residential Neighborhood Permit Parking, Accessible Parking, and the City Parking Garages.

# STOP, YIELD AND SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS (CHAPTER 15.12)

STOP INTERSECTIONS (SCHEDULE A – BMC 15.12.010), MULTI-STOP INTERSECTIONS (SCHEDULE B – BMC 15.12.010), AND SIGNALIZ3D INTERSECTIONS (SCHEDULE D – BMC 15.12.030) (Sections 1 - 5 of the Ordinance)

| <u>LOCATION</u>  | ACTION & RATIONALE  |
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| Hawthorne Drive and Third Street (Maps #1 and #5)  | This intersection is a signalized with lights that flash from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.  These sections correct that code which still lists it as a stop intersection.  They also correct the name of Hawthorne Drive (which is miss-identified in the municipal code as a lane). |
| <ul> <li>Hawthorne Drive and Second Street</li> <li>Glenwood Avenue West and<br/>Longview Avenue<br/>(Map #2)</li> </ul> | These sections correct name for Hawthorne Drive and Glenwood Avenue West (which are miss-identified in the Code).   |
| Seventh Street and Morton Street (Map #3)  | These sections convert this intersection from a two-way to four-way stop to reflect the signage and practice on the street.   |
| Seventh Street, Longview Avenue & Williamsburg Drive (Map #3)  | These sections add this new intersection which was created with the improvements associated with SR45/46 Bypass.  |
| Grimes Lane and Walnut Street  | These sections change this intersection to a signalized one   |

with no late-night flashing lights. The memo indicates that the change is due to the poor line-of-sight for motorists

entering Walnut from the west.

(Maps #4 and #5)

Walnut Street and Smith Avenue (Map #5)

These sections create a new signalized intersection on Walnut next to the Project School and the Chocolate Moose. The memo indicates that the change was made to: 1) make crossing Walnut safer for pedestrians; and, 2) allow a break in the flow of north-bound traffic (or create what are known as "platoons" of traffic) to accommodate buses that will be exiting the Transfer Station at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Walnut once it is completed.

# ONE WAY STREETS AND ALLEYS (CHAPTER 15.16)

# ONE-WAY STREETS (SCHEDULE E – BMC 15.16.010) (Section 6 of the Ordinance)

#### **LOCATION**

### **ACTION & RATIONALE**

Gentry Street from Kirkwood Avenue to Fourth Street (South-Bound Traffic) (Map #6) Section 6 of the ordinance converts this one-block street from a two-way to a one-way street to accommodate southbound traffic associated with the new, Hyatt Place Hotel being constructed to the west.

Smith Avenue from Walnut Street to College Avenue (West-Bound Traffic) (Map #6) Section 6 of the ordinance also converts this one-block portion of Smith Avenue from a two-way to a one-way street to be consistent with the direction of traffic on the one-way portion of Smith from Washington to Walnut.

# SPEED REGULATIONS (CHAPTER 15.24)

# SCHOOL, PARK AND PLAYGROUND SPEED ZONES (SCHEDULE J – BMC 15.24.030) (Sections 7 – 8 of the Ordinance)

#### **LOCATION**

#### **ACTION & RATIONALE**

 Building Trades Park
 Howe Street from Maple to Rogers Street (Maps #7 and #11) Section 7 extends the existing 20 mph speed zone on Howe by the Building Trades Park. Rather than running from Maple to Fairview, it will run from Maple to Rogers.

### Crestmont Park

- o Thirteenth Street from Summit Street to Illinois Street
- o Fifteenth Street from Lindberg Drive to Hancock Drive
- Illinois Street from Twelfth Street to Fifteenth Street (Map #9)

### **Broadview Learning Center**

 Graham Drive from Brown Avenue to Ford Avenue (Map #8)

### Park Ridge East Park

- o Cambridge Court from Park Ridge Road to End of Cul-de-sac
- Park Ridge Road from Morningside Drive to Cambridge Court
- Morningside Drive from Indiana Bell Court to Park Ridge Road (Map #10)

Section 8 adds a 20 mph speed zone by the streets adjacent to parks, schools, or playgrounds listed on the left, which all came forward as requests from the nearby neighborhoods.

# PARKING CONTROLS (CHAPTER 15.32)

## SCHEDULE L – ANGLED PARKING (BMC Section 15.32.030) (Section 9 of the Ordinance)

### **LOCATION**

#### **ACTION AND RATIONALE**

• Hillside Drive from Henderson to the first alley west of Henderson (south) (Map 12)

This change provides angle parking for the project being constructed on the southeast corner of Henderson Street and Hillside Drive.

#### SCHEDULE M – NO PARKING ZONES

(BMC Section 15.32.080) (Sections 10 – 11 of the Ordinance)

and

#### SCHEDULE N – LIMITED PARKING ZONES

(BMC Section 15.32.090)

Sections 12-13 of the Ordinance

#### LOCATION

Seventh Street from Fairview Street to Adams Street (north side) (Map 13)

Mitchell Street between Hunter Avenue and East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (both sides) (Maps 14 – 16)

#### **ACTION AND RATIONALE**

Section 10 of the ordinance removes this long stretch of no parking because other portions of the schedule have already provided for a staggered no parking configuration along this neighborhood street that conflict with this entry.

Sections 10 – 13 of this ordinance make a number changes to the code that have three consequences for motorists and residents along this two-block stretch of South Mitchell Street. Currently these blocks are part the Zone 2 Residential Parking Zone. However, parking is prohibited for any vehicle from Hunter to 3<sup>rd</sup> on the east side and from Atwater to 3<sup>rd</sup> on the west side.

- One change would allow parking on both sides of portions of the block between Atwater and 3<sup>rd</sup>. This change is being proposed to bring traffic going east and north into a queue that will require motorists to stay ahead or behind large vehicles (like buses) rather than cut them off at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street where a new traffic island narrows the turning radius;
- Another change restricts parking on that block for 2 hours on Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m.
   5:00 p.m.; and
- o The last change will allow residents of Zone 2 to park in additional areas To wit: on the west side of Mitchell between Atwater and 3<sup>rd</sup> (creating what is know as a "combo" zone where residents can park without the 2-hour limit) and the east side of Mitchell between Hunter and Atwater.

## SCHEDULE S – ACCESSIBLE PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES (BMC Section 15.32.150)

(Sections 14-15 of the Ordinance)

#### **LOCATION**

- o 300 block of South College
- o 400 block of South College
- o 100 block of West Eighth
- o 200 block of North Grant
- o 100 block of South Madison
- o 300 block of West Sixth Street
- o 500 block of East Sixth Street
- o 328 South Walnut
- o 400 block of South Walnut
- o 500 block of South Walnut
- o 200 block of North Washington (*Map 18*)
- The Three City Parking Garages See below for addresses (*Maps 17 and 19*)

#### ACTION AND RATIONALE

Section 15 of the ordinance adds eleven accessible parking spaces to the downtown in the block listed to the left. (The exact spaces are further identified in the ordinance.)

Sections 14 and 15 of the ordinance also change the name of the three garages as they appear in this section of the code. The change in the names were suggested during the deliberations about parking meters earlier this year and are made in elsewhere in the code by Sections 16 - 20 of this ordinance (below).

## MUNICIPAL PARKING LOTS, GARAGES, AND ON-STREET METERED PARKING **(BMC CHAPTER 15.40)**

Section 15.40.000 - Locations Section 15.40.020 – Applicable Times and Charges – Schedule V (Permits) & Schedule W (Hourly Parking) (Sections 16 – 20 of the Ordinance)

#### **LOCATION**

- Garage at 300 North Walnut
- Garage at 105 West Fourth Street
- Garage at 208 North Morton (Map 19)

### **ACTION AND RATIONALE**

These sections of the ordinance rename the three City parking garages as follows:

- o Garage Band/ Walnut Center Garage to "Walnut Street Garage"
- o Garage Market/ Regester Parking Garage to "Morton Street Garage"; and

  O Garage Art/ 4<sup>th</sup> and Walnut Parking Garage to
- "Fourth Street Garage."