

CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ENGINEERING

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin and Members of the City Council

FROM: Carol J. Mitten, Interim Public Works Director/City Administrator

Craig E. Shonkwiler, Interim City Engineer

DATE: August 8, 2019

RE: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic

Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Springfield Avenue at Busey Avenue) and An Ordinance Amending Schedule M of Section 23-190 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code to Establish a Tow Away Zone in a Specified Place on a

Certain Street (Baronry Drive)

Introduction

Attached are ordinances and maps for consideration from action taken by the Urbana Traffic Commission.

Background

This first ordinance amends Schedule J of the Urbana Local Traffic Code by restricting parking along the north side of Springfield Avenue to the east of Busey Avenue.

While working on the design for Springfield Avenue improvements, staff reviewed crashes on Springfield Avenue. Two crashes had occurred on Springfield Avenue at Busey Avenue involving southbound traffic turning onto Springfield Avenue. Staff studied the location to determine if any improvements could be made to reduce the probability of future crashes. Staff noted that parked vehicles on the north side of Springfield Avenue restricted visibility for motorists travelling southbound on Busey Avenue and westbound on Springfield Avenue. After studying sight distances for both legs of the intersection, it was determined that removing two parking spaces on Springfield Avenue east of Busey Avenue would allow sufficient time for motorists on Springfield Avenue to stop and/or enough time for traffic on Busey Avenue to clear the intersection. Although there is a bus shelter located at the corner, the bus shelter would not need to be removed to improve visibility.

This issue was discussed before the Urbana Traffic Commission. Residents and property owners from adjacent properties were invited to the Urbana Traffic Commission to discuss their concerns. No one attended the meeting or contacted the City with concerns about the removal of two parking spaces on Springfield Avenue.

The second ordinance amends Schedule M of the Urbana Local Traffic Code by restriction parking along Baronry Drive.

During the winter, Public Works staff has had difficulty removing snow at the southern end of Baronry Drive when cars are parked near the turn-around. Residents along the area and the Operations Manager attended the meeting where parking options were discussed. The residents, Operations Manager, and Commissioners agreed that restricting parking when necessary would be the best option for winter snow removal operations.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Urbana City Council approve An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Springfield Avenue at Busey Avenue) and An Ordinance Amending Schedule M of the Urbana Local Traffic Code to Establish a Tow Away Zone in a Specified Place on a Certain Street (Baronry Drive).

Attached: Ordinance

Location Maps

ORDINANCE NO. <u>2019-08-044</u>

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE J OF SECTION 23-183 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE PROHIBITING PARKING AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS

(Springfield Avenue at Busey Avenue)

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana ("Urbana") is an Illinois Municipal Corporation pursuant to the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and the Statutes of the State of Illinois;

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has adopted a local traffic code which is set forth in its ordinances as Section 23-1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana, pursuant to the aforesaid traffic code, has the authority to regulate parking on its streets and in its parking lots; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana restricts parking on streets to provide public safety and access;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. That Schedule J of Section 23-183, entitled "Parking Prohibited At All Times on Certain Streets" of Article XIV of the Urbana Local Traffic Code, is hereby amended by ADDING to that schedule the following portion of street where no person shall be permitted to park a vehicle at any time:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Between</u>	Side of Street
Springfield Avenue	from the centerline of Busey Avenue to 151 feet east of the centerline of Busey Avenue	North Side

Section 2. Those sections, paragraphs, and provisions of the Urbana City Code that are not expressly amended or repealed by this Ordinance are hereby re-enacted, and it is expressly

declared to be the intention of this Ordinance not to repeal or amend any portions of the Urbana City Code other than those expressly set forth as amended or repealed in this Ordinance. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Ordinance hereby passed and approved shall not invalidate other sections or provisions thereof.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or a liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing prior to the effective date of this Ordinance; nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 4. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with Section 1-2-4 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, of a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a meeting of said Council .

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Council .	
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this	day of
AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSTENTIONS:	
	Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this	_ day of
	Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM

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of Busey Avenue, north side of street centerline of Busey Avenue to 151' east of the centerline No Parking Any Time on Springfield Avenue from the

City of Urbana
Public Works Dept
Engineering Division
Date: 8/08/2019



ORDINANCE NO. <u>2019-08-045</u>

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE M OF SECTION 23-190 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE TO ESTABLISH A TOW AWAY ZONE IN A SPECIFIED PLACE ON A CERTAIN STREET

(Baronry Drive)

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-208 of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/11-208) authorizes local authorities to prohibit parking during snow removal operations after posting signs giving reasonable notice of such prohibition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council heretofore has enacted Urbana City Code Section 23-190 to establish tow away zones in those areas or portions of streets described in Local Traffic Code Schedule M where the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles would create a potentially hazardous or congested condition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending Schedule M to establish a tow away zone as herein provided will protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. Urbana City Code Chapter 23, "Local Traffic Code," Section 23-190, "Tow away zones," Schedule M, is hereby amended by the addition thereto of the following portion of a street from which any vehicle found to be parked may be towed away and impounded at the expense of the owner, as provided in Urbana City Code Section 23-273:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Days</u>
Baronry Drive	From the southern terminus of Baronry Drive to 42 feet north of the southern terminus	Beginning on any day on which two or more inches of snow have accumulated and continuing for 48
		hours thereafter.

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PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this date day of Month, Year.

AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSTENTIONS:	
	Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this <u>date</u> day of <u>N</u>	Month, Year.
	Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

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of Baronry Drive, Following 2" or more of snow. No Parking Allowed on Baronry Drive 42' from south end

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