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|  | AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY | | | | |
| | Title: | Recommendation to Approve Changes to the City of St. Charles City Code 10.40.044 – Residential Parking Only on School Days | | | |
| | Presenter: | Chief Keegan | | | |
| <i>Please check appropriate box:</i> | | | | | |
| | Government Operations | X | Government Services 7.27.15 | | |
| | Planning & Development | | City Council | | |
| | Public Hearing | | | | |
| Estimated Cost: | N/A | Budgeted: | YES | | NO |
| If NO, please explain how item will be funded: | | | | | |
| Executive Summary: | | | | | |
| <p>Per the attached memo, the Police Department is recommending that the following be added to Ordinance 10.40.044 – Residential Parking Only on School Days:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">16. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on all roadways within the Rivers Edge subdivision. Streets to include: River View Drive, River Ridge Drive, Prairie Crossing Drive, Meadow View Drive, and North Meadow View Drive.</p> | | | | | |
| Attachments: <i>(please list)</i> | | | | | |
| 10.40.044 – Residential Parking Only on School Days, with revisions Ordinance Exhibit Memo | | | | | |
| Recommendation / Suggested Action <i>(briefly explain):</i> | | | | | |
| Recommendation to approve changes to the City of St. Charles City Code 10.40.044 – Residential Parking Only on School Days. | | | | | |
| <i>For office use only:</i> | <i>Agenda Item Number: 5.g</i> | | | | |

10.40.044 Residential Parking Only on School Days.

It is unlawful at any time to cause, allow or permit any vehicle to stop, stand or park, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or official traffic control device, in any of the following places which shall be designated as no parking on school days between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. unless such vehicle is licensed to a resident whose residence is located on property abutting the following public right-of-way:

- A. The following affected streets on the side that presently contain unrestricted parking:
- Greenwood Lane, Chesapeake Road, Oxmoor Court, Mockingbird Court, the outer ring of Windsor Court, Traditions Boulevard, Grandview Court, Fieldcrest Drive, Wexford Court, Abbeywood Drive, Easton Place, Pendleton Court, Brittany Court, River's Ridge Drive, Prairie Crossing Drive, Meadowview Drive, Dorchester Road, Ashbrooke Court, Muirfield Court, Royal St. James Court and Royal St. George's Court (including the radius of the cul-de-sac) and Riverview Drive.
 - 1. On both sides of Highgate Course.
 - 2. On both sides of Chasse Circle.
 - 3. On both sides of Fairfax Road from the west right-of-way of Dunham Road to the east right-of-way of Forest Ridge Road.
 - 4. On both sides of Canidae Court.
 - 5. On both sides of Shire Lane.
 - 6. On both sides of Southgate Course.
 - 7. On both sides of Dunham Place.
 - 8. On both sides of 8th Street from the north right-of-way of Oak Street to the south right-of-way of Indiana Street, except for the southerly one hundred fifty (150) feet along the east side of 8th Street as measured northerly from the north right-of-way of Oak Street.
 - 9. On both sides of Huntington Road from the southerly right-of-way of Fox Chase Boulevard to the north right-of-way of Forest Ridge Road.
 - 10. On Forest Ridge Road along the westerly and northerly side of the street from the south right-of-way of Fairfax Road continuing westerly around the circle to the east right-of-way of Huntington Road.
 - 11. On the east side of Essex Court.
 - 12. On the west side of Sterling Court.
 - 13. Foxwood Lane from the southwesterly right-of-way of Southgate Course.
 - 14. Southgate Court from the northerly right-of-way of Southgate Course.
 - 15. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on all streets inside the area bordered by and including Gray Street on the south from 4th Street to 12th Street, 4th Street on the east from Gray Street to Fellows, Fellows Street on the north from 4th Street to 12th Street and 12th Street on the west from Fellows to Gray.
 - 16. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on all roadways within the Rivers Edge subdivision. Streets to include: River View Drive, River Ridge Drive, Prairie Crossing Drive, Meadow View Drive, and North Meadow View Drive.

(2013-M-60 § 1; 2007-M-37 § 1; 2004-M-17 § 1; 2002-M-33 § 1; 2001-M-49 § 1 ; Ord. 1999-M-77 § 1 a, b, c, d, e ; Ord. 1993-M-61 § 1; Ord. 1992-M-21 § 3; Ord. 1990-M-24 § 2; Ord. 1988-M-67 § 1; Ord. 1988-M-26 § 1; Ord. 1987-M-24 § 1; Ord. 1987-M-4 § 1.)

City of St. Charles, Illinois

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-M-_____

An Ordinance amending title 10 "Vehicles and Traffic", Section 10.40.044 "Residential Parking Only on School Days" of the St. Charles Municipal Code

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES, KANE AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: That Title 10 "Vehicles and Traffic", Section 10.40.044 "Residential Parking Only on School Days", of the St. Charles Municipal Code, be and is hereby amended as follows:

16. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on all roadways within the Rivers Edge subdivision. Streets to include: River View Drive, River Ridge Drive, Prairie Crossing Drive, Meadow View Drive, and North Meadow View Drive.

SECTION TWO: That, after the adoption and approval hereof, this Ordinance shall (i) be printed or published in book or pamphlet form, published by the authority of the City Council of the City of St. Charles, or (ii) within thirty (30) days after the adoption and approval hereof, be published in a newspaper published in and with a general circulation within the City of St. Charles.

SECTION THREE: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days from and after its passage by a vote of the majority of the corporate authorities now holding office, approval and publication in the manner provided by law.

PRESENTED to the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2015.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Illinois this ____ day of _____, 2015.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of St. Charles, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nancy Garrison
City Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE:

Ayes : _____

Nays : _____

Absent : _____

Memo

Date: 7/2/2015
To: Chief Keegan ✓
From: Traffic Safety Officer Clark
CC: Cmdr. Mahan, Dep. Chief Huffman, Traffic File
Re: Parking in the Reserve subdivision

Chief Keegan,

Since early spring, I was contacted by and spoke to numerous citizens who reside in the "Rivers Edge" subdivision near the St. Charles North high school. The residents wished to complain about an ongoing parking issue that they experience with students parking vehicles on the streets within the subdivision during school hours. Much of the subdivision is already ordinance "No Parking" on one side of the street; however, there is only one sign posted in the subdivision stating such. This one sign is on River Ridge Drive immediately after turning off of Red Gate Road and states, "Resident Parking Only On School Days 7am-4pm". There are no other signs within the vicinity other than one contradicting and un-ordinanced sign on River Ridge Drive near Prairie Crossing that reads, "Parking Permitted Beyond This Point". This particular sign makes enforcement difficult for officers who do not want to enforce the actual ordinance out of fairness to those who have parked here believing it is legal.

I am issuing this memo to you to explain how I have worked towards a solution to the problem, and it is one that the members of the subdivision and its association support. I propose to have the entire subdivision ordinance "No Parking on School Days between 9am-1pm". This method of signage has been used throughout other areas of the city that are adjacent to high schools, and proves to be an effective method of limiting violations, while not disrupting the daily use of the city roadways. In order to understand how I came to recommendation, I will give you a brief summary of what steps I have taken.

Based upon my experience, I am aware that twice a year a portion of the school parking lot is closed for driver's education activities. When this occurs, an entire parking lot's worth of students come over and park on both sides of the roads within the Rivers Edge subdivision. Students recognize that all other surrounding subdivisions already have parking restrictions in place, and therefore come to Rivers Edge because they believe they can.

One side of the road is already ordinance "no parking" based upon the width of the roadway, however; there are no signs erected within the subdivision saying such. When students park on both sides of the road, it now creates a safety issue in which a fire truck or other emergency vehicle does not have proper access to maneuver within. I witnessed this predicament on several days.

To complicate matters, there is the city sign that I mentioned earlier in this memo that states, "Parking Permitted Beyond This Point". This sign is on the north side of River Ridge Drive nearest Prairie Crossing which is approximately 100 feet north of the T-intersection that leads into the subdivision. This un-ordinanced sign was erected sometime in the last 5 years without our department's traffic unit or our command staff's recommendation. We were never offered an opportunity to give our input or ask questions as to the necessity of the sign. Today, that sign continues to present a conflict to our officers trying to take proper enforcement action. Meanwhile, students continue to park here thinking it is ok, and the subdivisions residents continue to be aggravated with the mixed signals and lack of enforcement.

In accordance with my request to create resident only on street parking in Rivers Edge, I recommend the following addition be made to our city ordinance.

10.40.044 Residential Parking on School Days

16. Between the hours on 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on all roadways within the Rivers Edge subdivision. Streets to include; River View Drive, River Ridge Drive, Prairie Crossing Drive, Meadow View Drive and North Meadow View Drive.

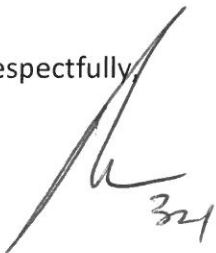
There are other signs that were placed within the subdivision a few years back that aided traffic flow during the construction of the Red Gate Bridge. With your approval of the recommendations within this memo, I will also have these obsolete signs removed as part of the full request that I would make to our Public Services Department. Those signs include:

- **Change over the sign on Meadowview that states "Resident Parking Only on School Days 7-4", to the proposed "Resident Parking Only on School Days 9-1".**

- Change over the sign on River Ridge Dr. that states, "Resident Parking Only on School Days 7-4", to the proposed "Resident Parking Only on School Days 9-1".
- Removal of signs at the entrance to the Reserve subdivision (north of Rivers Edge) off of Route 31 that prohibit vehicles from using River Ridge Drive (in Rivers Edge) on school days from 6:30-7:30 a.m.
- Removal of the sign on River Ridge Dr. that states "Parking Permitted From This Point On"
- Removal of the sign on River Ridge Dr. that states "Road Closed Monday – Friday 630am-730am".

I believe these changes will give a have a positive impact on this subdivision adjacent to the high school. Please let me know if you have any questions or additional comments about this recommendation. If approved, I will supply Sara Cass with any additional information or clarification she may need to pursue this change.

Respectfully,



Traffic Safety Officer Rich Clark #321



Memo

Date: 7/20/2015
To: Mark Koenen, City Administrator
From: James Keegan, Chief of Police
Re: Parking in the River Edge subdivision/School Days

As you are aware, an ordinance change is being recommended to address resident parking concerns north of St. Charles North HS (SCNHS) in the Rivers Edge subdivision. After receiving on-going complaints from area residents both administratively into the police department and in-progress via 911 calls, I directed staff to complete the attached investigation and subsequent recommendation.

Complaints were received about the following issues:

- Difficulty for residents of the single-family homes to pull in and out of their driveways.
- Car stacking just north of Red Gate Road on Meadow View Drive (across from the tennis courts).
- Sign confusion on various locations, including: River Ridge Drive and Reserve Drive.

This area in question was monitored by the Traffic Unit, Officer Rich Clark, and interaction was initiated with numerous area residents, staff from SCNHS and the homeowners association. The results of our investigation revealed several issues as outlined above. Specifically, sign confusion and students from the high school ignoring parking bans.

As a result of our observations and dialogue with area residents and the staff of St. Charles North HS, we are recommending a clear and concise alternative moving forward. Per Officer Clark's attached memorandum, we are requesting Ordinance 10.40.044 (Residential Parking on School Days) to be amended to now include item #16: "Between the hours of 9:00 am-1:00 pm, all roadways within the Rivers Edge subdivision".

Please see Officer Clark's memorandum, the executive summary and the sample ordinance language for further information. Should you have any additional concerns or questions, please advise. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.