



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 22, 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 (Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street)

Introduction

Attached is the ordinance and map for consideration from action taken by the Urbana Traffic Commission at its June 5, 2019 meeting. The ordinance amends Schedule J of the Urbana Local Traffic Code by restricting parking along both sides of Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street.

Background

In 2015, the plans for the Multimodal Corridor Enhancement (MCORE) Project were unveiled for public input. Later that year, the Urbana Bicycle Master Plan was released for public comment. Both the MCORE Project and the Urbana Bicycle Master Plan included proposed parking restrictions on Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street. With the completion of Phase 5, the last segment of the MCORE Project, a critical, physical connection between the University of Illinois and the City of Urbana for all transportation modes will be finished. Pedestrians will find the route more walkable with the addition of Americans with Disability (ADA) ramps and sidewalk improvements. The Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District bus travel along this segment will be more convenient with the addition of bus shelters, pads and real time bus schedule information available. The addition of designated bicycle facilities and improved roadway surfaces will create a safer, more convenient connection between downtown Urbana and the University of Illinois. To implement Phase 5 of the MCORE Project, on-street parking on Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street is recommended for removal to allow space for the installation of bicycle and mass transit facilities on Green Street.

The various phases of the MCORE Project have been approved by City Council between 2015 and 2018. The Urbana Bicycle Master Plan was approved in 2017. The Urbana Traffic Commission gave support to the Urbana Bicycle Master Plan at its November 2016 meeting, but did not endorse specific recommendations agreeing to review each segment of the plan until it was scheduled for implementation so input and concerns could be heard.

Prior to the June Traffic Commission meeting, letters were sent to residents, business owners, and property owners and door hangers were placed at locations along the Green Street corridor to notify the public about the proposed parking restrictions. This was done in addition to the public notice required for public meetings.

The Urbana Traffic Commission approved the motion to restrict parking along both sides and to forward the item to Council for consideration.

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 (Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street).

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-08-049

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

(Green Street between Lincoln Avenue and Race Street)

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 portions of streets where no person shall be permitted to park a vehicle at any time:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Between</u>	<u>Side of Street</u>
Green Street	the centerline of Lincoln Avenue and the centerline of Race Street	Both Sides

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.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____, _____.

AYES:

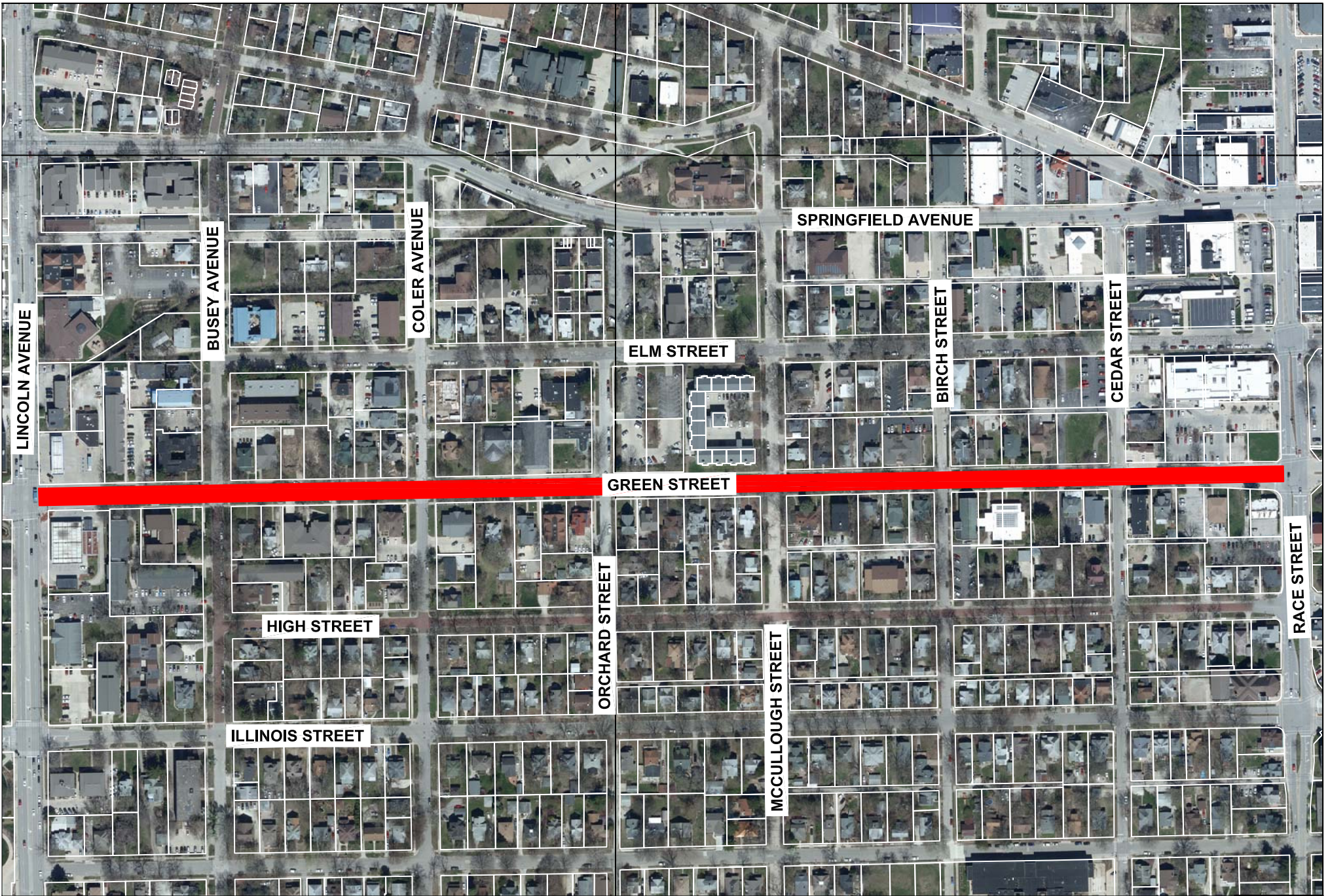
NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this _____ day of _____, _____.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor



No Parking Any Time on Green Street from Lincoln Avenue to Race Street.



**City of Urbana
Public Works Dept
Engineering Division
Date: 8/21/2019**

