



CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bruce K. Walden, Chief Administrative Officer
FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director
Joseph L. Smith, Senior Civil Engineer
DATE: January 19, 2005
RE: Ordinances from Traffic Commission

Attached is a map and ordinances for your approval from action taken by the Traffic Commission.

The first ordinance is for the establishment of decreased speed limit on a University District street, more specifically Goodwin Avenue. In 2002 the City reduced all non-arterial and collector streets within the University District from 30 MPH to 25 MPH. The streets are those bounded by University Avenue on the north, Lincoln Avenue on the east, Florida Avenue on the south, and the west City limits on the west. This speed limit was a recommendation from the CATS Study. The traffic investigation of the CATS study indicated heavy congestion of pedestrians, bicycles, and parked vehicles compounded by narrow lanes on some streets created hazardous conditions thereby justifying a reduced speed limit. The Traffic Commission agreed with that recommendation. Upon further review, with the Siebel Computer Science Center, the north campus parking deck and the soon to be completed NCSA Building, the pedestrian and vehicular activity is increasing and it is requested that Goodwin Avenue now be included in the list of streets with reduced speed limits. The Traffic Commission agrees that since Goodwin Avenue is a low-volume minor collector the reduced speed limit is consistent with the University District mission, "to better accommodate pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and vehicle movements in a more user-friendly environment." Streets still excluded from the list are Springfield Avenue and Green Street.

The second ordinance (Schedule J) is for the creation of curb loading zone at the intersection of Oregon Street and Gregory Place. The recently completed commercial business at the southwest corner of the intersection has requested a 30-minute loading zone be instituted along the south side of Oregon Street to load and unload trucks during all days at all times. The area requested was formerly a yellow (no parking) curb zone but now is no longer required because Gregory Place was vacated and made a one-way southbound roadway thereby negating the need to restrict parking for visibility triangle requirements.

The Traffic Commission has considered these locations at its November, 2004 meeting and recommends that the ordinances be approved.

Prepared by: _____
Joseph L. Smith, P.E.
Senior Civil Engineer

Reviewed by: _____
William R. Gray, P.E.
Public Works Director

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ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-012

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE
ESTABLISHING SPEED REGULATIONS ON CERTAIN STREETS**

(Goodwin Avenue)

WHEREAS, it has been found that the Urbana Local Traffic Code has no provisions to decrease speed limits on City streets below the statutory state speed limit and no Schedule for listing said streets;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Article V entitled "Speed Regulations" of the Urbana Local Traffic Code, is hereby amended by ADDING the following Section 23-64 entitled "Decreasing State Speed Limits on Certain Streets":

"Sec. 23-64. Decreasing state speed limits on certain streets.

It is hereby determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that the maximum speed permitted by state law upon the following streets, described hereto and made a part hereof, is greater than is reasonable or safe with respect to the conditions found to exist at any place or along any part or zone of such street. It is hereby declared that the maximum speed limit shall be hereinafter set forth but not lower than the minimum limits as prescribed by state law on those streets or parts of streets herein designated when signs are erected giving notice thereof, all as set forth in Schedule Q."

SECTION 2: That Schedule Q of Section 23-64 entitled "Decreasing state speed limits", of the Urbana Local Traffic Code is hereby amended by ADDING to that Schedule the following speed regulations for the following streets or portions thereof:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Between Street</u>	<u>& Street</u>	<u>Speed Limit</u>
Goodwin Avenue	Nevada Street	University Avenue	25 MPH

SECTION 3: All ordinances, resolutions, motions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: 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 5: 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 regular meeting of said Council.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2005.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAINS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2005.

Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM

I, Phyllis Clark, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois.

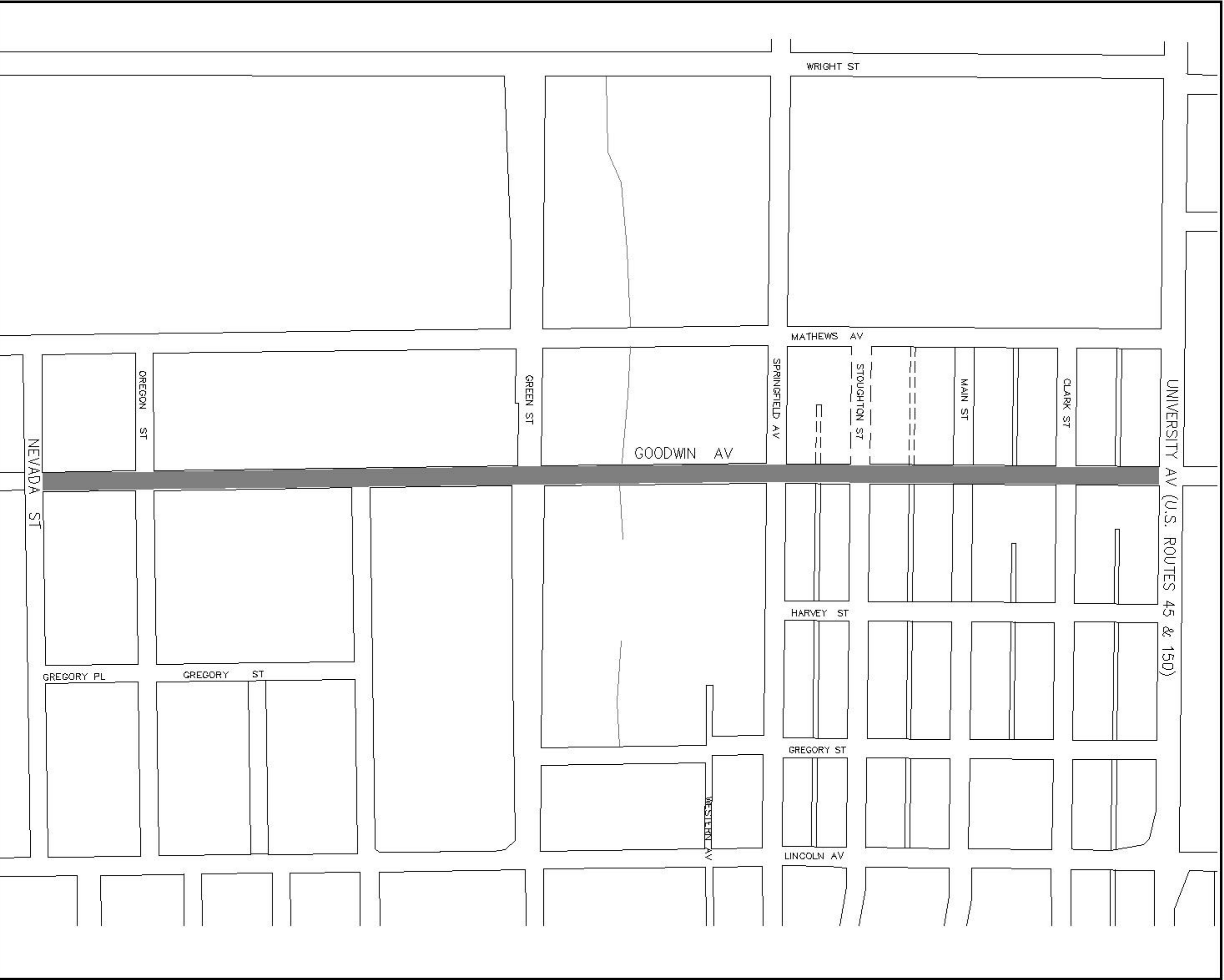
I certify that on the _____ day of _____, _____, the corporate authorities of the City of Urbana passed and approved Ordinance No. _____, entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE ESTABLISHING SPEED REGULATIONS ON CERTAIN STREETS (Clark Street, College Court, Gregory Place, Gregory Street, Harvey Street, Illinois Street, Main Street, Maryland Drive, Mathews Avenue, Nevada Street, Oregon Street, Stoughton Street, Virginia Drive), which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of the ordinance was prepared, and a copy of such ordinance was posted in the Urbana City Building commencing on the _____ day of _____, _____, and continuing for at least ten (10) days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request at the Office of the City Clerk.

DATED at Urbana, Illinois, this _____ day of _____, 2005

(SEAL)

Phyllis Clark, CITY CLERK



PROPOSED DECREASE

IN SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH



City of Urbana
 Public Works Dept
 Engineering Division
 Date: 01/10/05 Drawn by: PLC

