



CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing and Members of City Council
FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director
Joseph L. Smith, Senior Civil Engineer
DATE: October 6, 2010
RE: Ordinances from Traffic Commission

Attached are maps and ordinances for your approval from action taken by the Traffic Commission at its September 7, 2010 meeting.

The first ordinance (Schedule H) is for the placement of a stop sign for westbound traffic on Laurel Drive at Michigan Avenue. This stop sign is required to define right-of-way at the intersection. Currently, there is no traffic control at this location. This stop sign is needed and warranted under Section 2B-5 of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. More specifically, this warrant states that a stop sign may be warranted if one or more of the following conditions exists:

1. Intersection of a less important road with a main road where application of the normal right-of-way rule is unduly hazardous.
2. Street entering a through highway or street.
3. Unsignalized intersection in a signalized area.
4. Other intersections where a combination of high speed, restricted view, and serious accident record indicates a need for control by the STOP sign.

The conditions are met for number 2 above for Laurel Drive at Michigan Avenue.

The second ordinance (Schedule J) is for the creation of curb loading zone at the terminus of Harvey Street where it ends at King Park. This area was intended to be a loading area for park users. Motorists have been using the area for parking. The Traffic Commission is requesting that the terminus of Harvey Street be designated as a loading zone so motorists know that they can use the area to load and unload items, but that they cannot park there.

The third ordinance (Schedule J) is for the elimination of parking on the south side of Fairview Avenue between Coler Avenue and Orchard Street. Carle Hospital plans to redirect shuttle busses within the Champaign County Fairgrounds parking lot for the hospital to avoid using Coler Avenue north of Fairview Avenue in response to residents' concern about the shuttle traffic in a residential area. The Traffic Commission approved this request to restrict parking on Fairview Avenue to allow busses room for turning movements on the street.

The fourth ordinance (Schedule K) is for the elimination of the 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. parking restriction on Nevada Street from Lincoln Avenue to Gregory Place. This request was made to provide consistent restrictions on Nevada Street between Goodwin Avenue and Lincoln Avenue.

The fifth ordinance (Schedule M) is for the installation of a tow away zone at the terminus of North Harvey Street at King Park. As mentioned earlier, the terminus was designed to allow park users an area to load and unload items to be used at the pavilion at King Park. There have been times when park users use the area as a parking lot and block driveways of adjacent property owners. The tow away zone would allow the Police Department to tow vehicles if they are blocking driveways in that area.

The last ordinance is for the establishment of decreased speed limits on Stebbins Drive and Division Avenue. One of the features included in the Crystal View subdivision was a roundabout. The new traffic control device allows traffic to move through an intersection with fewer conflicts than traffic would experience driving through an intersection controlled by signs or signals. The roundabout does require a reduction in speed to allow motorists to safely travel through the intersection. The ordinance would reduce speeds from 30 MPH to 25 MPH. The Traffic Commission agreed with that recommendation.

The Traffic Commission has considered these locations at its September, 2010 meeting and recommends that the ordinances be approved.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE H OF SECTION 23-93 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE REQUIRING STOP SIGNS AT A CERTAIN INTERSECTION

(Laurel Drive at Michigan Avenue)

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

Section 1. That Schedule H of Section 23-93, entitled "Stop Signs Pursuant to Section 23-93", of Article VIII of the Urbana Local Traffic Code, is hereby amended by ADDING to that schedule the following intersections where drivers of vehicles shall be required to stop before entering the intersections:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Street</u>
Laurel Drive	Westbound	Michigan Avenue

Section 2. 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 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 regular meeting of said Council.

PASSED by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2010

AYES:

NAYS:

PRESENT:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

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

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM

I, Phyllis D. 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 SCHEDULE H OF SECTION 23-93 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE REQUIRING STOP SIGNS AT A CERTAIN INTERSECTION (Laurel Drive at Michigan Avenue)", 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 the Ordinance was posted in the Urbana City Building commencing on the ____ day of _____, _____, and continuing for at least ten (10) days thereafter. Copies of the Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request at the Office of the City Clerk.

DATED at Urbana, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2010

(SEAL)

CITY CLERK

FAIRLAWN DR

MICHIGAN AV



LAUREL DR

PHILO RD

BRIARCLIFF DR

**PROPOSED STOP SIGN - LAUREL DRIVE
Westbound at Michigan Avenue**



City of Urbana
Public Works Dept
Engineering Division
Date: 09/27/10 Drawn by: PLS

