



CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item #17-055

Date: February 8, 2017

Consent Discussion **Time Sensitive**
(outlined below)

SUBJECT: 2017 Paving Project Related Parking Ordinance Changes (bike lanes, crosswalk, etc.)

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Public Works

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive presentation from staff about recommended amendments to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 – Motor Vehicles & Traffic, Article VII – Parking & Parking Meter Zones. Open public hearing to conduct first reading of multiple parking ordinance amendments; consider public testimony. Approve first reading with changes, if applicable, and set the date for the second public hearing.

RELATED COUNCIL GOAL/PRIOR ACTION:

E: Maintain a Healthy Community for People

G: Maintain a Steady State for Infrastructure (Implement Montpelier in Motion)

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: Incidental to local share of construction costs

SOURCE OF FUNDS: CIP

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: City Council authority to amend ordinances

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In 2017, VTrans will be resurfacing all of Route 12 and State Street. As a way to advance the implementation of the City’s Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan (“Montpelier in Motion”), DPW makes an effort to apply recommendations found within MIM when a substantial maintenance project such as resurfacing occurs. Below is a list of bike/pedestrian improvements associated with the Route 12/State Street resurfacing project and the ordinance changes that are necessary in order to implement them:

Recommended Improvements

- Establish dedicated bike lanes on Bailey Avenue from High School Drive to Terrace Street and on Terrace Street from Bailey Avenue to Jordan Street

Associated Ordinance Changes

- Amend ordinances to prohibit parking on the east side of Bailey Avenue from State Street to Baldwin Street and on both sides of Terrace Street from Redstone Avenue to Jordan Street

- Increase sight distance for pedestrians crossing Elm Street at Vine Street
- Amend ordinance to prohibit parking on the west side of Elm Street for 50' north of and 30' south of Vine Street, as well as on the east side for 30' north of and 30' south of Vine Street
- Establish dedicated bike lanes on Elm Street from Pearl Street to Baseball Drive
- Amend ordinance to prohibit parking on the east side of Elm Street from Pearl Street to Cummings Street

VTrans and DPW have also identified an existing parking ordinance within the project limits that doesn't reflect what is currently in place on the street. This specific ordinance is associated with the parking alignment on the Spring Street Bridge (see attached).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Attached staff memorandums, maps, and letters of notice sent to all known abutting property owners within the affected area.

INTERESTED PARTIES: DPW, Transportation Committee

CITY MANAGER'S APPROVAL:

