



Council Committee Memorandum

TO: General Affairs Committee
THROUGH: Tim Murray, City Administrator
FROM: Travis Block, Public Works Director
MEETING DATE: July 16, 2019
SUBJECT: Hulett Avenue Parking Restrictions

Background:

On April 9, 2019, Council approved Resolution 2019-059 to allow the installation of parking restrictions on both sides of Hulett Ave. between 7th St. NW & 20th St. NW. The signage approval was to facilitate the installation of an on-street bicycle lane demonstration project. Staff recently completed the installation of the signage and pavement markings. Since that time, a request has been received to allow for parking along one side of Hulett Ave. near the 700 & 1500 blocks.

There are three options to consider facilitating this request. The first is to restripe the street along these sections (or the whole route). This will involve the removal of the current pavement markings (centerline, bike lane and pavement marking symbol) and restriping with a new layout. The layout would include two 11' through lanes, two 5' bike lanes and one 7' parking lane to allow parking along the east side of Hulett Ave.

The second option is to move the end of the bicycle lane on the east side of Hulett Ave. from its current position at 20th St. NW to south of 17th St. NW. It should be noted that on-street parking is currently available on 17th St. NW adjacent to the 1500 block of Hulett Ave.

The third option is to look at this section of Hulett Ave. during the scheduled overlay in 2021. At this time, the layout could be reconfigured to accommodate parking on one side of Hulett Ave. The overlay project currently includes the installation of sidewalk. Additionally, the option of examining an off-street multi-use trail in lieu of a sidewalk installation could be explored to replace the bike lane.

On April 30, 2019, informational project notifications were mailed to 28 properties along Hulett Ave. that would be impacted by the project. No feedback was received opposing the project as approved. One location along the route did contact staff requesting adjustment to the location of one of the no-parking signs, which staff adjusted placement.

The cost of the project to date is \$9,608.63 (including staff time, contracted services, and signage). Rice County has pledged \$5,000.00 towards the project as installed. No changes to the current parking restrictions or bike lane layout are recommended.

Attachments:

- Letter
- Map



April 30, 2019

Dear Resident:

The City Council recently approved the installation of a trial on-street bicycle route along Hulett Ave. between 20th St. NW & 7th St. NW. The project is a cooperative effort between the City of Faribault and Rice County Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP). The project consists of striping an approximate 7-foot wide bicycle lane along both sides of Hulett Ave., the installation of lane delineators at intersections to help identify the lane, installation of bike lane signage and on-street parking restrictions signage.

No parking on both sides of Hulett Ave., between 20th St. NW & 7th St. NW has been approved. The installation will likely occur by the end of May 2019. The intent of the trial project is to have the route established for the remainder of 2019 and then evaluate the project to determine its effectiveness.

Please feel free to contact me at 507-333-0365 or tblock@ci.faribault.mn.us if you have any questions about the project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Block", written over a horizontal line.

Travis Block

Public Works Director

City of Faribault



On-Street Bicycle Lane Demonstration

