ORDINANCE 2013-04

TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A NO PARKING ZONE ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF BRIDGE STREET FROM 2^{ND} AVE NORTH TO A POINT 140 EET EAST OF THE INTERSECTION"

WHEREAS, the intersection of 2nd Ave North and Bridge Street is controlled by a 2-way stop control on 2nd Ave North; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin Transportation & Street Technical Standards Intersection and AASHTO's Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets requires adequate sight distance at all intersections for improved safety; and

WHEREAS, the installation of a no parking zone on the southeast side of Bridge Street from 2nd Ave North to a point 140 feet east of the intersection will establish the appropriate sight distance necessary and improve the safety of the intersection.

NOW THEREFORE:

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin, Tennessee that a NO PARKING – TOW-IN ZONE be established on the south side of Bridge Street for a distance of 140 feet eastward from the southeast corner of 2nd Avenue North.

SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin, Tennessee, that the penalty for failure to obey the provisions of this Ordinance shall be as indicated in the Franklin Municipal Code and/or the Tennessee Code Annotated.

SECTION III: BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin, Tennessee, that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage on second and final reading, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Franklin requiring it.

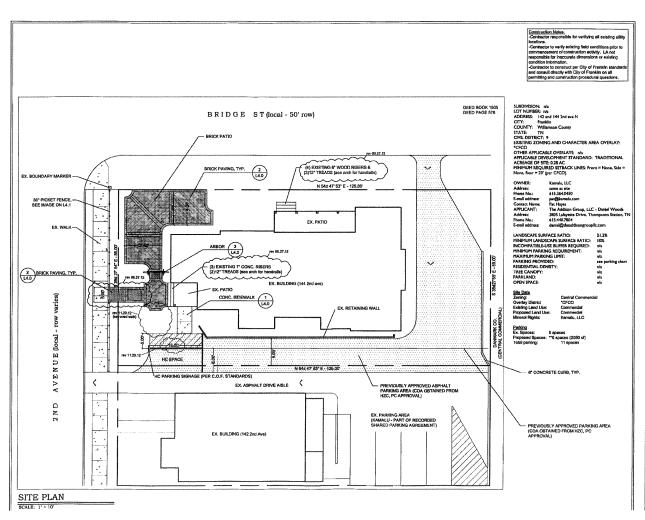
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BY:	BY:
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CITY ADMINISTRATOR	MAYOR
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Design Intersection Sight Distance – Case B1, Left Turn From Stop 25MPH



Proposed No Parking Sign





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MEMORANDUM

December 28, 2012

TO: Board of Mayor and Alderman

FROM: Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

David Parker, P.E.; CIP Executive/City Engineer Paul Holzen, P.E.; Director of Engineering Carl Baughman, Traffic/Transportation Engineer

SUBJECT: Consideration of Ordinance 2013-04 an Ordinance to Establish A No Parking Zone On

the Southeast Side of Bridge Street From 2nd Ave North to a Point 140 Feet East of the

Intersection.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to discuss and recommend improvements to corner sight distances for this two-way stop intersection. The issue has arisen in connection with the opening of the Coffee House at Second and Bridge, and the associated parking along its Bridge Street frontage. There has also been concern expressed about restricted sight distance on the northeast corner.

Background

In the last three years the crash rate at this intersection has experienced a steady downward trend as the two-way stop has become established. As a part of that conversion the foliage on the northwest corner was removed to open up the sight distance. Within the last week, however, several complaints have arisen about restricted sight visibility due to cars parked along the Bridge Street frontage of the Coffee House at Second and Bridge, on the southeast corner. Our Traffic Engineer has observed this situation and noted that the property's parking lot is mostly empty while cars park on Bridge Street. It turns out that all of the concrete pavement parking spaces are marked as "GRAB-AND-GO" except for the one "HANDICAPPED" space. New gravel has been placed adjacent to the edge of pavement that entices parking in this portion of right-of-way. In addition staff has noted that a highly faded sign already prohibits parking along Bridge Street on the southwest side of the intersection.

In order to preserve the sight distance on the southeast corner, a No Parking zone should be established between Second Avenue and the property's driveway onto Bridge Street. This zone will provide the necessary sight distance for vehicles approaching Bridge Street from both Second Avenue North and from the property's driveway. The sign pattern should match the precedent set at The Red House one block to the west, where two signs NO PARKING – TOW-IN ZONE have been placed between Third Avenue and the site driveway. The offstreet parking for The Coffee House should have been designed to accommodate the parking demand. Any excess demand can be accommodated by the parking lanes on Second Avenue North.

Financial Impact

The No Parking Zone will require the cost of the signpost and sign installation and would be paid out of the Street Departments Annual Budget.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance 2013-04 an Ordinance to Establish a No Parking Zone on the Southeast Side of Bridge Street From 2nd Ave North to a Point 140 Feet East of the Intersection.