

COUNCIL WORKSHOP ITEM

ITEM: An Ordinance Prohibiting Parking in the Access Aisle of a Handicapped Parking Space
DATE: January 23, 2003
PREPARED BY: Timothy Sembach, Supervisor of Parking Enforcement
PURPOSE: To Amend Chapter 14 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code

DISCUSSION:

Chapter 14, Section 108 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code does not state that it is illegal for anyone to park in the access aisle (striped area) of a handicapped parking space. This amendment would clearly spell it out.

Also, to amend the wording in Chapter 14, Section 125 in order to enable parking enforcement officers to better enforce the permit lots.

ATTACHMENT:

An Ordinance for PARKING PLACES RESERVED FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS and also an Ordinance for PERMIT PARKING.

RECOMMENDATION:

Place on February 11, 2003 Workshop Agenda for Council consideration

Cc: Ann Marie Perez, Legal Department
Enza Petrarca, Legal Department
Carol Conforti, Legal Department
Arlene Balicki, Village Managers Office

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING REGULATIONS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, in DuPage County, Illinois, as follows: (Additions are indicated by **shading**; deletions by ~~strikeout~~.)

SECTION 1. That Section 14-108 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

14-108. Parking places reserved for handicapped persons.

(a) The following off-street locations shall be designated as parking reserved for handicapped persons:

The north forty-six feet of the south one hundred thirty-eight feet of the east seventeen feet of the west forty-four feet of the Curtiss lot (two stalls).

The south fifty-one feet of the north one hundred four feet of the east seventeen feet of the west forty-eight feet of the Curtiss lot (two stalls).

Forest Lot South, as posted (four stalls).

Municipal Lot B, as posted (nine stalls).

Municipal Lot H, as posted (four stalls).

Municipal Lot I, as posted (three stalls).

The Village Municipal Complex, located at 801 Burlington Avenue, including Lots L, M and V, as posted (six stalls).

The Village Hall Public Works Facility, located at 5101 Walnut, as posted (four stalls).

Municipal Lot G, as posted (three stalls).

(b) The following on-street locations shall be designated as parking reserved for handicapped persons:

On the north side of Curtiss, from a point twenty-four feet east of Main Street, to a point ninety-three feet east of Main Street (two stalls).

On the north side of Curtiss, from a point one hundred ninety-six feet east of Forest Avenue, to a point two hundred thirty-five feet east of Forest Avenue (two stalls).

(c) No person shall park or let stand any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle at any time in any designated access aisle adjacent to any parking place specifically reserved for persons with disabilities, designated by the posting of "handicapped parking only" signs or in any area striped with pavement markings or otherwise designated for handicapped accessibility.

(ed) No person shall park or let stand any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle at any time in any location in which parking places have been reserved for parking by handicapped persons by the use of signs or pavement markings, unless such automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle is used immediately prior to parking or immediately after parking by or for transportation of a handicapped person, as evidenced by display on such vehicle of one of the following:

(1) A handicapped registration plate or handicapped parking placard issued by the State of Illinois pursuant to its authority under Section 5/3-616 of Chapter 625 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes and displayed by hanging on the rearview mirror of the vehicle, or if no rearview mirror is available, by placement on the dashboard or visor.

(2) A handicapped parking placard issued by a municipality pursuant to its authority under Section 5/11-1301.2 of Chapter 625 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes and displayed by hanging on the rearview mirror of the vehicle, or if no rearview mirror is available, by placement on the dashboard or visor.

(de) Any person who violates this section shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.

(ef) A Village of Downers Grove handicapped parking placard can be obtained upon a showing by adequate documentation that the person for whose benefit the placard is to be issued has a Class 1A or 2A disability under the provisions of Section 4A of the Illinois Identification Card Act. (15 ILCS 335/4A) The cost for obtaining such a placard shall be \$2.00. (Ord. No. 2001, § 1; Ord. No. 2522, § 1; Ord. No. 2745, § 39; Ord. No. 2860, § 2.)

SECTION 2. That Section 14-125 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

14-125. Violations.

It shall be unlawful for any person:

(a) To park, stop or let stand any vehicle in any parking space or in any other area in any permit parking lot at any time between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., local time, on any day, except Saturdays and Sundays, unless such vehicle shall have attached to the inside surface of the lower right-hand corner of the rear window thereof a currently valid permit sticker issued by the Village for such permit parking lot. Except that no person shall park, stop or let stand any vehicle in any parking space or in any other area in Lot R at anytime, on any day, unless such vehicle has attached to the inside surface of the lower right hand corner of the rear window thereof, a currently valid permit sticker issued by the Village for such permit parking lot.

(b) To park or let stand any vehicle across or upon any marking designating a parking space in a permit parking lot; or

(c) To park or let stand any vehicle in a parking space in a permit parking lot in such manner that the front of such vehicle is directed away from the curbing or not in accordance with the posted signage; provided, that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any parking space unless there shall be posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of such parking space appropriate signs stating the restriction imposed by this subsection.

The restriction imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall be inapplicable with respect to any metered parking space that may be established from time to time in any permit parking lot; provided, that the parking or standing of vehicles in any such metered parking space shall otherwise be subject to the restrictions imposed by other sections of this chapter for such metered parking space.

(d) To park or let stand any vehicle bearing a class III permit, in a permit parking lot except lot R, at any time prior to 8:30 A.M., local time, weekdays. (Ord. No. 1542, § 4; Ord. No. 1757, § 1; Ord. No. 1820, § 3; Ord. No. 2745, § 45; Ord. No. 2906, § 2; Ord. No. 3118, § 17; Ord. No. 3275, § 4.)

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:

Published:

Attest: _____
Village Clerk

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