



Public Works Agenda Item

Meeting Date: August 8, 2023

Agenda Item: 4d. Elizabeth Street Parking

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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

Representatives from the Whitewater School District reached out to staff about the possibility of painting crosswalks on Elizabeth Street at Laurel Street and Court Street. The intention would be to provide a designated area for students to cross. The issue with adding crosswalks at these locations is that there is no sidewalk on the west side of Elizabeth Street. At a minimum, staff believes there should be a landing area, if a crosswalk was painted. An alternative suggested by staff is to install “No Stopping, Standing or Parking” signs at each curb ramp location. The signs at each location would encompass the area of the curb ramp and include the area occupied by existing hydrants. This would provide a larger area for students to better see approaching vehicles and vice versa when students cross at these intersections. The Police Department was consulted on the additional signage and are in favor of it.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

The addition of four signs by the Streets Department is minimal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the idea and recommends an ordinance change be brought to the August 15 Council meeting. If this is the direction of the Public Works Committee, staff would also recommend the second reading of the ordinance be waived so the signage could go in effect before school starts.

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Elizabeth Signage Area
2. Court & Laurel