

Parking and Safety Improvements along Kent Avenue

Improvements Made to Kent Avenue Following its Recent Reconstruction

Following the recent reconstruction of Kent Avenue and the installation of a Class II two-way curbside bike lane, the following improvements have been completed or programmed for the Kent Avenue corridor.

Parking

On the west side of Kent Avenue between Clymer and Keap Streets, parking regulations along 1230 feet of curbside were converted from No Standing regulations to street cleaning regulations. This provided for more than 60 additional parking spaces.

An analysis of existing parking regulations in the vicinity of Kent Avenue has identified 57 parking spaces that can be converted from No Parking to street cleaning regulations (see attachment). This is scheduled for implementation by January 9th.

On Wythe Avenue between S.4th Street and S.5th Street, the west curb regulation was changed from No Parking to street cleaning regulations on September 8, 2008. This provided for an additional 10 parking spaces.

On Wythe Avenue between S.5th Street and S.6th Street, the west curb regulation was changed from No Parking to street cleaning regulations on September 8, 2008. This provided for an additional 8 parking spaces.

The east and west sides of Wythe Avenue on the block between Division Avenue and S.11th Street has been evaluated for additional parking opportunities. On the east side 2 additional parking spaces will be provided; on the west side 5 additional parking spaces will be provided.

School bus drop off/pick up area was created on the west side of Kent Avenue in front of 430 Kent Avenue for the Zafir Jewish Center for Special Education.

On the west side of Kent Avenue between Division Avenue and S.11th Street, No Stopping regulations were changed to No Standing regulations on December 31st.

On S.11th Street between Kent Avenue and Wythe Avenues, No Parking regulations were changed to street cleaning regulations on December 31, 2008. On the north side 5 additional parking spaces were provided; on the south side 11 additional parking spaces were provided.

Traffic Signals

A new traffic signal was installed on Kent Avenue at Division Avenue. New traffic signals have been approved on Kent Avenue at N.6th Street and N.7th Street.

Geometric Design

A median island was constructed in the east crosswalk of Kent Avenue at Broadway providing a refuge island for pedestrians.

New flush center malls were installed at four curves in Kent Avenue (on Kent Avenue at Franklin Street, Grand Street, Broadway and Division Avenue). (The flush center malls reduce the likelihood of head on motor vehicle collisions at the curves by increasing the separation between northbound and southbound motorists. This treatment increases motor vehicle operator safety on this truck route.)

Stop lines were installed for each intersection to provide for better sight distance and safer pedestrian crossing.

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Attachment

Kent Avenue Parking Opportunities

<u>Location</u>	<u>Existing Regulations</u>	<u>Proposed Regulations</u>	<u>Spaces (est)</u>
South 5 th Street s/s Kent Avenue to Wythe Avenue	No Parking Anytime	No Parking 9-10:30am Tuesday & Friday	14
Wythe Avenue e/s South 5 th Street to South 6 th Street	No Parking 7am-6pm Except Sunday	No Parking 8-9:30am Tuesday & Friday	7
Wythe Avenue e/s South 4 th Street to South 5 th Street	No Parking 7am-6pm Except Sunday	No Parking 8-9:30am Tuesday & Friday	10
Wythe Avenue e/s South 2 Street to South 3 Street	No Parking 7am-6pm Monday/Tuesday/Friday	No Parking 8-9:30am Tuesday & Friday	9
Wythe Avenue e/s South 1 st Street to South 2 nd Street	No Parking 7am-6pm Except Sunday	No Parking 8-9:30am Tuesday & Friday	9
Wythe Avenue e/s Grand Street to South 1 st Street	No Standing Anytime posted in field Existing order calls for SCR regulation	No Parking 8-9:30am Tuesday & Friday	8
*****	*****	Subtotal	57
South 11 th Street n/s Kent Avenue to Wythe Avenue	No Parking 8am-6pm Except Sunday	No Parking 11:30am-1pm Tuesday & Friday (east end of block)	5
South 11 th Street s/s Kent Avenue to Wythe Avenue	No Parking 8am-6pm Monday - Friday	No Parking 11:30am -1pm Monday & Thursday	11
Wythe Avenue e/s	No Parking 8am-6pm Except Sunday; No Standing Anytime	No Parking 11:30am-1pm Tuesday & Friday	2

Division Avenue to South 11 th Street			
Wythe Avenue w/s Division Avenue to South 11 th Street	No Parking 8am-6pm Except Sunday	No Parking 11:30am-1pm Monday & Thursday	5
		Total Spaces	80

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