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Agenda Item No: REP 85-13

To: City Council

From: City Manager and Staff /

Council Meeting Date:

June 17, 2013

Re: Metering Locust Street between Hitt Street and Waugh Street (CM 3864)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff has prepared for Council consideration a report concerning the recommendation to install additional parking meters on Locust Street between Hitt Street and Waugh Street.

DISCUSSION:

At the May 20, 2013 Council meeting, staff was directed to investigate the possibility of adding parking meters to the area around Locust Street between Hitt and Waugh Streets. A representative of Sacred Heart Church, located at 1115 Locust Street, voiced concerns about possible parking issues once the construction of the nearby apartment building is complete. The block near the church currently has no meters, and it was suggested that metering the block my be a good idea.

In accordance with City Ordinance 14-414, which allows for metered parking on the 1100 block of Locust Street, 120 feet west of the curb-line on Waugh, there are currently three (3) meters on the north side of the road, east end of the block. Staff measured the north side of the block, to the west of the existing meters, and found there to be adequate space for ten (10) additional metered parking spaces. Staff has attached a letter of support from the Executive Director of CID for the installation of the additional meters.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost to purchase, ship and install ten meters (4 duplexes and 2 singles), plus painting of stall lines and curbs is \$3,514, and would be paid from the Parking Utility.

The three meters currently on Locust Street, between Hitt and Waugh Streets, generated \$774 in 2012, or \$258 a meter. At this rate, staff estimates the payback period for these meters to be just under 1.5 years.

VISION IMPACT:

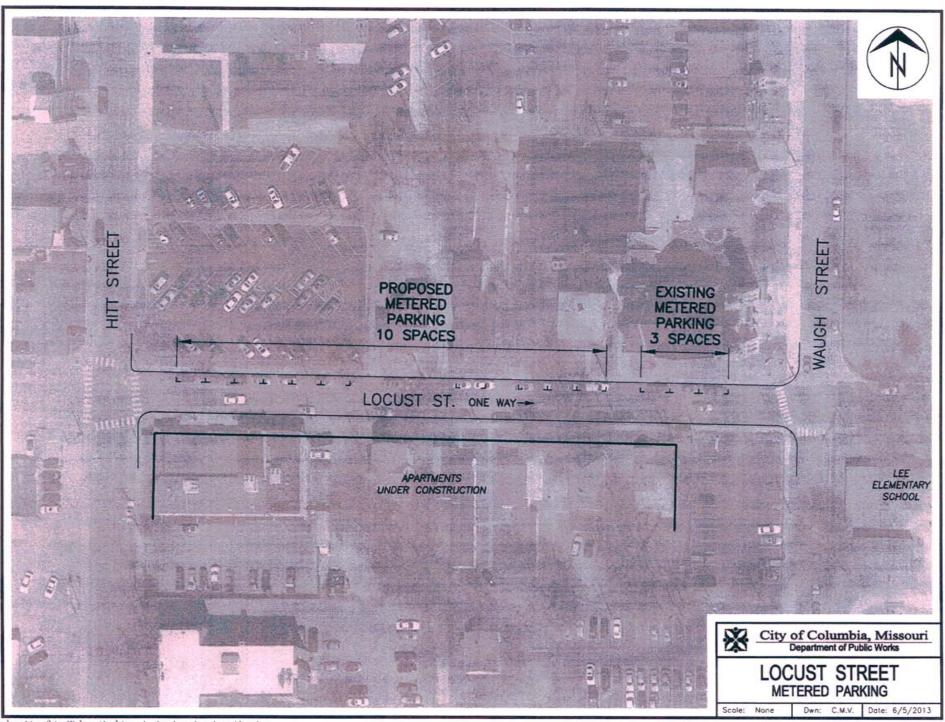
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Significant investments in the physical, community, and business environment, as well as the tools to leverage economic strength, will bring vibrancy and diversity of culture, professions, and businesses, and lead to major attractions. People and vehicles will have access to downtown businesses and services and enhance movement within and throughout the downtown area.

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:

If Council agrees with staff recommendation to allow metered parking for all of the north side of Locust Street between Hitt and Waugh, direct staff to bring back an ordinance amending Section 14-414 of the City Code.

FISCAL and VISION NOTES:					
City Fiscal Impact Enter all that apply		Program Impact		Mandates	
City's current net FY cost	\$0.00	New Program/ Agency?	No	Federal or State mandated?	No
Amount of funds already appropriated	\$0.00	Duplicates/Expands an existing program?	No	Vision Implementation impact	
Amount of budget amendment needed	\$0.00	Fiscal Impact on any local political subdivision?	No	Enter all that apply: Refer to Web site	
Estimated 2 year net costs:		Resources Required		Vision Impact?	Yes
One Time	\$3,514.00	Requires add'I FTE Personnel?	No	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	6.1
Operating/ Ongoing		Requires add'I facilities?	No	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	6.3
		Requires add'l capital equipment?	No	Fiscal year implementation Task #	





June 3, 2013

Mr. Mayor and City Council:

I understand that Council is considering adding meters to the area around Locust between Hitt and Waugh. Although the entire area under consideration is not included within the CID (see attached map), we've found that short-term meters allow more people to use the public meters throughout the day for a variety of different uses.

Short-term meters were installed on north Tenth and in the North Village Arts District and we've heard no concerns. As you know, the North Village parking plan was designed to strike a balance between short-term uses and residential uses, something that may be appropriate in this area as well.

I know that Scott Bitterman has been working with Lee Elementary on parking and traffic calming options so I would recommend his input on this issue.

Finally, I would caution that meters should not be installed with the expectation of providing reserved or prioritized parking for one group. These parking spaces are public and again, meters are designed to encourage turnover so more people have access to parking. People who desire long-term or reserved parking should consider city parking garages or private lots, respectively.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (573) 442-6816. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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