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RESOLUTION NO. 2023-43

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING
POLICY FOR RESTRICTING STREET PARKING NEAR INTERSECTIONS**

WHEREAS, creating no parking areas close to intersections helps to better allow motorists to see pedestrians preparing to cross the street, thereby helping to improve pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Active Transportation Plan, adopted by the City Council in 2012, includes the task of creating parking restricted areas to improve pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 2017-73 establishing guidelines for restricting street parking near intersections in September of 2017, outlining requirements, prioritization criteria, and public engagement for implementing parking restrictions near intersections; and

WHEREAS, the process established in 2017 has limited the speed at which the city can implement the guidelines and deliver the pedestrian safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Policy for Restricting Street Parking Near Intersections maintains the prior policy’s requirements, changing only the process by which the City will administer implementing parking restrictions near intersections; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on May 25, 2023, the Transportation Commission considered and recommended the proposed process changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby approves the Policy for Restricting Street Parking Near Intersections as attached hereto as Exhibit A to this Resolution.


AARON TIEDEMANN, MAYOR

City of Albany

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SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for prioritizing pedestrian safety from improved visibility over vehicle parking at intersections.

SECTION 2: BACKGROUND

One of the principles of roadway design is that on-street parking should be positioned far enough away from intersections to allow for good visibility. Pedestrians preparing to cross the street should have an unobstructed view of approaching vehicles and approaching motorists should be able to readily see pedestrians approaching a curb ramp.

The Albany Municipal Code section 9-10 authorizes the City Engineer to place curb markings and restrict parking at hazardous areas. This policy details the City's approach to provide safe and visible roadway crossings through application of restrictions to street parking near intersections.

SECTION 3: STANDARDS

Restriction of street parking near unsignalized intersections shall be applied as follows:

1. On the approach side of a standard perpendicular intersection between local and/or collector streets or paths, on-street parking shall be prohibited within 20 feet from the marked crosswalk, curb ramp, or edge of sidewalk path of travel. This distance may be reduced by up to 5 feet if staff determines that this would permit an additional parking space, and it may be extended beyond 20 feet to the nearest curb cut in situations where the remaining curb length is insufficient for parking a motor vehicle.
2. On the departure side of a standard perpendicular intersection between local and/or collector streets or paths, on-street parking shall be prohibited within 10 feet from the marked crosswalk, curb ramp, or edge of sidewalk path of travel. This distance may be reduced by up to 7 feet if staff determines that this would permit an additional parking space, and it may be extended beyond 10 feet to the nearest curb cut in situations where the remaining curb length is insufficient for parking a motor vehicle.
3. For intersections with a unique angle of approach, topography, or other unique safety consideration, the City Engineer shall prepare a technical analysis to determine where parking restrictions would significantly improve pedestrian visibility.

SECTION 4: PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

As a general practice, notification to owners and occupants of properties within 150 feet walking distance should be sent in writing at least 10 days before changes in curbside designations restricting parking.



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 5th day of June, 2023, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Hansen-Romero, Jordan, López, Miki and Mayor

Tiedemann

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 6th
day of June, 2023.

Anne Hsu
CITY CLERK