

ORDINANCE FACT SHEET

REQUEST FORM NO: _____
 DATE OF 1ST READING: 7/5/22

OFFICE REQUESTING: MAYOR CONTACT PERSON: _____
 PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMERGENCY PASSAGE: No Yes If yes, explain justification.

TYPE OF ORDINANCE: CODE CHANGE FISCAL IMPACT: _____
 (If amending a previous ordinance, please attach a copy of the previous ordinance)

SUGGESTED TITLE:
 AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING PUBLIC SAFETY BY RESTRICTING PEDESTRIANS AT CERTAIN DANEROUS INTERSECTIONS

Please list supporting documentation (i.e., contract, agreement, change order, bid book, etc.)

CONTRACTOR / VENDOR NAME: _____ VENDOR NO: _____
 CONTRACT TERM: _____ CONTRACT # _____ Change in Scope Yes No

CONTRACT AMOUNT:

(Original amount if change order)

Change Order #

Additional Amount

Method of Purchase (check one) Previous Ord #'s _____
 Low Bid Other: _____ Is Purchasing Agent approval required? No Yes
 Low Bid Meeting Specs Exception: _____ Is Purchasing Agent approval attached? No Yes
 Low Evaluated Bid Code Provision: _____

Accounting information (if more than four accounts, please attach list)

REVENUE					
Fund	Agency	Org	Activity	Source	Amount
1					
2					
3					
4					

EXPENDITURE					
Fund	Agency	Org	Activity	Object	Amount
1					
2					
3					
4					

FUNDS CHECK BY: _____	Date: _____
DIRECTOR / SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE _____	Date: _____
CITY PURCHASING AGENT: _____	Date: _____

COMMENTS

Prohibits pedestrians within 100 feet of certain intersections and intersections with medians in order to promote public safety.

SIGN OFF:  _____
 (Mayor's Signature) (Director of OBM)

**AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING PUBLIC SAFETY BY RESTRICTING
PEDESTRIANS AT CERTAIN DANGEROUS INTERSECTIONS**

WHEREAS, the Council desires to adopt an ordinance restricting pedestrians on certain streets and roadways located in the city because they pose a danger to themselves and the public at large by interfering with the safe and normal flow of vehicle traffic, and,

WHEREAS, pedestrians on certain streets and roadways while motor vehicles engaged in travel on roads and are particularly susceptible to serious bodily injury or death due to the speed and number of motorists who operate vehicles on busy roads of the city, and,

WHEREAS, certain streets and roads are primarily designed for vehicular traffic and are not suited to safely accommodate pedestrians, and,

WHEREAS, the presence of pedestrians on certain streets and roads interferes with the safe movement and normal flow of traffic, and,

WHEREAS, there are 4,150 intersections within the City and of those intersections, 370 are controlled by full color traffic lights, and,

WHEREAS, the Springfield Police Department has identified those intersections controlled by full color traffic lights where 14 or more accidents have occurred within a calendar year, and

WHEREAS, of the 4,150 intersections within the City, 141 of those intersections are highways divided or separated by medians, and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the City Council to use the least restrictive means to advance the significant governmental interests of traffic safety and public safety, and,

WHEREAS, it is the finding of the City Council that other alternative and safer streets and roadways exist for a person or people who seek to exercise their First Amendment freedoms, and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to protect and preserve the safety and quality of life of its residents and those who use the streets within the city, both pedestrians and motorists alike, and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the proposed regulations provided by this section and finds that such regulations accomplish the intended purposes while utilizing the least restrictive means possible, and,

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the City Council that this subsection is applied even handedly to all pedestrians, regardless of their purpose and/or message, and,

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the City Council that nothing in this section shall prohibit a person from engaging in other lawful activity or speech on the sidewalks in and around intersections, so long as that person or people comply with all other state and local laws, and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the residents of the city to adopt this subsection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section 80.08 of the City Code is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

§ 80.08. - Pedestrians on certain roadways.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to sit or stand in the roadway within one hundred (100) feet of any intersection, as that term is defined in Section 70.02 of the city code, located at the following roadways:

1. Sangamon Avenue & N. Dirksen Parkway
2. N. Dirksen & Walton Drive
3. N. 9th Street & E. Madison Street
4. S. MacArthur Blvd & W. Lawrence Avenue
5. S. 5th Street & E. Lawrence Avenue
6. S. 11th Street & E. South Grand Avenue
7. S. Dirksen Parkway & E. South Grand Avenue
8. S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. & E. South Grand Avenue
9. N. Dirksen Parkway & Clear Lake Avenue
10. N. 11th Street & E. Madison Street/E. Jefferson Streets. Veterans Parkway & Wabash Avenue
11. S. Veterans Parkway & Lindbergh Blvd
12. Freedom Drive & Lindbergh Blvd
13. Chatham Road & Wabash Avenue
14. S. Veterans Parkway & Old Jacksonville Road/W. Monroe Street
15. N. 5th Street & E. Carpenter Street
16. W. Jefferson Street & N. Walnut Street

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to sit or stand upon a boulevard or median located at or within one hundred (100) feet of any intersection on a divided highway controlled by a full color traffic light. A “divided highway” is a highway with two or more lanes for vehicular traffic to travel in opposite directions which are divided or separated by a boulevard or median.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to enter into any street or road at or within one hundred (100) feet of any of the intersections listed above in subsections (a) and (b) for any purpose except the following:

1. Crossing such street or road in accordance with all other state and local laws;
2. Entering or exiting public transportation, a taxi or other ride share service; or
3. In case of a bona fide emergency.

Section 2: Section 82.02 of the City Code is hereby amended as follows:

§ 82.02. - Penalties for pedestrian, bicycle, skateboard, human-powered vehicle, and parking violations.

(a) In addition to the towing, suspension and impoundment provisions of this Code relating to parking violators, the following penalties will be applicable to the owner or operator who is issued a traffic violation notice for violating any of the provisions listed below, providing the amount listed is paid to the treasurer of the city within 14 days beginning on the first day after the issuance of the notice or as specified below. Payments received by mail shall be credited as paid on the date of postmark.

(1) Pedestrian violations \$ 6 50

Section 3: That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish this ordinance in pamphlet form.

Section 4: That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage, recording by the City Clerk and publication in pamphlet form.

PASSED: _____, 2022

SIGNED: _____, 2022

RECORDED: _____, 2022

Mayor James O. Langfelder

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk Frank J. Lesko

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

Requested by: Mayor James O. Langfelder

Office of Corporation Counsel / Date