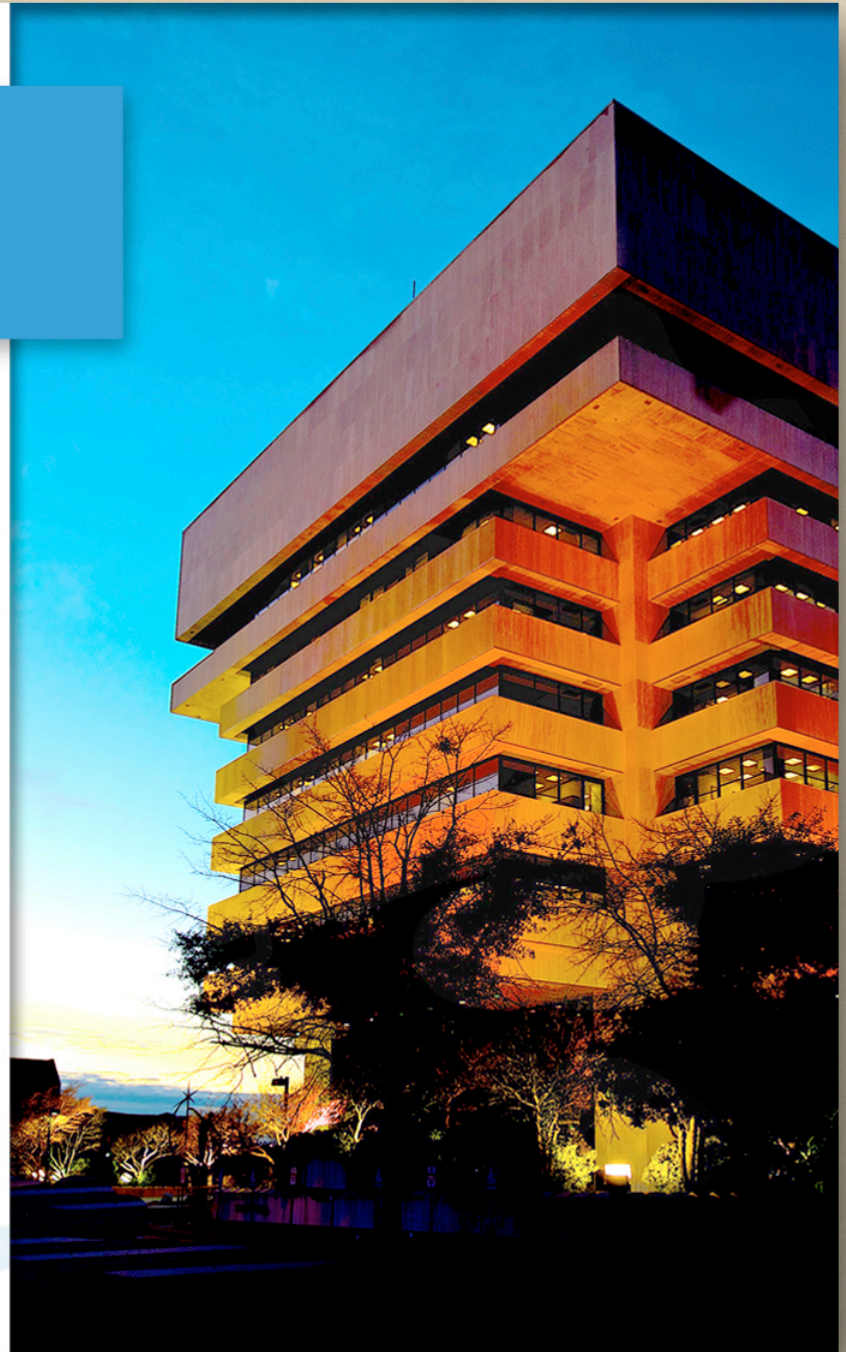


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Briefing

Parking on Residential Lawns

City Council
November 10, 2021



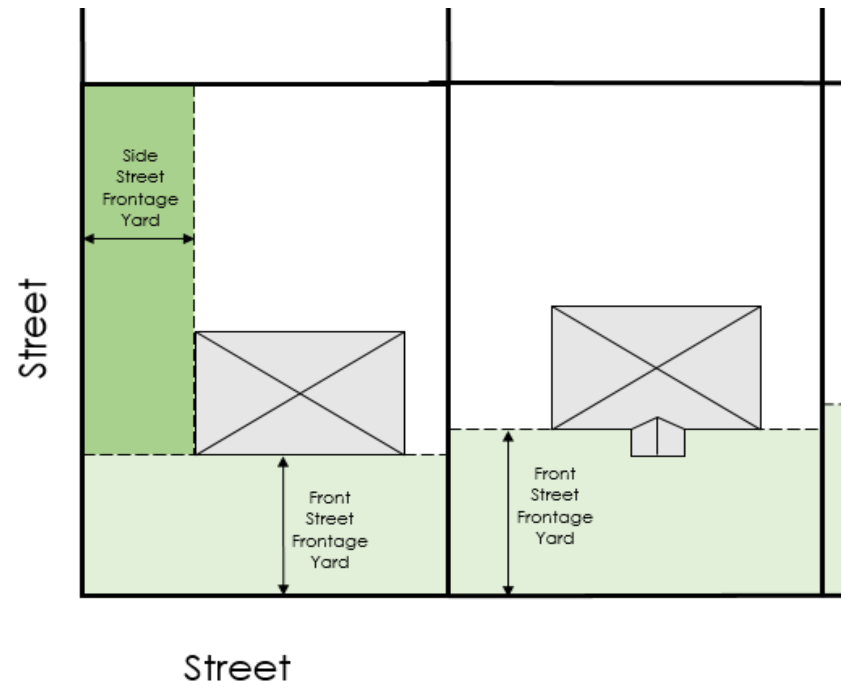
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Background

- Requested by neighborhood groups and citizens
- September 2020 - City Council deferred the amendment due to the economic uncertainty associated with COVID-19 with the intent to bring it back at a later date
- May 2021 - City Council requested parking on lawns be brought back after COVID-19 restrictions were lifted
- July 15, 2021 - Planning Commission recommended approval of this amendment
- August 11, 2021 - Briefing to City Council on amendment
- September 8, 2021 – City Council requested deferral until December

Goals

- Preserve green area
- Improve character - make a positive impact on neighborhoods
- Property values
- Limit cost burden
- Provide necessary exceptions
- Outreach

Changes

- Loading/unloading exemption
- Permit existing gravel driveways without a border
- Effective date of July 1, 2022

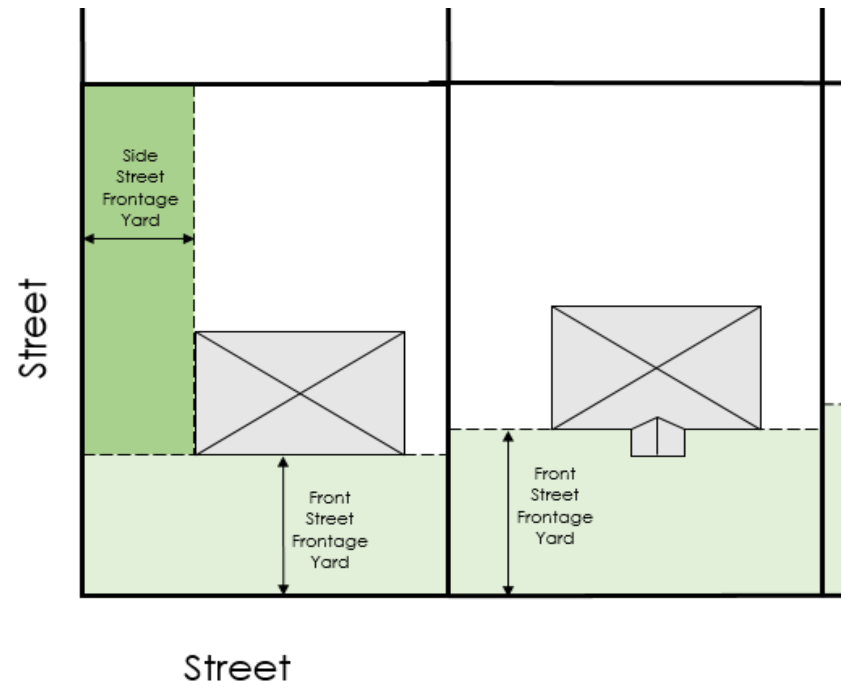
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Exceptions

- When either side of adjacent street is labeled as no parking permitted
- Reasonable accommodation (ADA)
- City approved special event permit
- Street closure
- Street sweeping/maintenance
- Flooding or other severe weather events
- When washing the car
- **Loading and unloading**

Improved Driveways

A strip of land providing a vehicular connector between a right-of-way and a parking space or garage, includes the parking space

Materials:

- Concrete, asphalt, pavers designed to support the weight of motor vehicles
- rock, gravel, oyster shells when contained by a border
- or any other similar improved surface, not to include grass, dirt or compacted soil



Existing Gravel Driveways



Summary

- **New driveways are not required on existing lots**
 - New homes already require a driveway on the parcel, unless credits apply
 - Existing homes with an existing gravel driveway without a boarder:
 - Can be maintained but not expanded
 - Existing homes without an improved driveway:
 - On street parking
 - ADA reasonable accommodation
- **Exceptions**
 - Balance effectiveness with accommodations

Summary

- Regulation applies to yards adjacent to streets
- Must park on improved surface, existing gravel driveway, or on permitted street parking
 - With exceptions
- Proposed effective date of July 1, 2022

Questions?