COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

August 16, 2017

TO:

Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairperson

Transportation, Public Works & Transit Committee

FROM:

Brian Dranzik, Director

Department of Transportation

SUBJECT:

Authorization for the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation (MCDOT)

to add a "No Parking" location on W. Layton Avenue (CTH Y) by amending

Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances Chapter 69.02.

POLICY

The Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 349.13 authorizes local authorities to establish no parking on a highway or part thereof which is under its jurisdiction. Chapter 69.02 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances establishes parking regulations for West Layton Avenue (CTH Y) pursuant to the authority established by the State Statute mentioned above. When the local authority determines upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that parking of vehicles adjacent to the roadway poses a hazard to the traveling public as well as the abutting property owner, such authority may elect to prohibit or restrict parking in the County Highway right-of-way.

BACKGROUND

Milwaukee County has jurisdiction of West Layton Avenue (CTH Y) from the Waukesha County Line to the west line of South 27th Street (STH 241). The Transportation Services Section of the County's Department of Transportation was requested by the Greenfield Police Department to evaluate the parking around the area of Greenfield High School, specifically between South 60th Street and the new high school entrance in the 5700 block on West Layton Avenue (CTH Y). Since the driveway was constructed last year the Greenfield Police Department has observed many cases of unsafe weaving and two crashes have occurred. It has been determined that parked vehicles along West Layton Avenue (CTH Y) cause right turning traffic to slow down in the through lanes leading to weaving. In addition, there are no businesses, residences or driveways between South 60th Street and the 5700 block on West Layton Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation has determined that prohibiting parking on West Layton Avenue (CTH Y) from the limits of South 60th Street to a point eight hundred twenty-five (825) feet east of South 60th Street will improve sight distance and increase safety in this section of West Layton Avenue (CTH Y). Therefore, the Director of the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) recommends the County Board adopt the amended Chapter 69.02, establishing the revised no parking zones along West Layton Avenue (CTH Y).

FISCAL EFFECT

No property tax levy impact results from this action.

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