Memorandum
Public Works Department

To: City Manager
Subject: Handicapped Parking Space
Date: January 14, 2013
Number: 2013-006

SOURCE OF REQUEST:

Roxann Duarte
2708 8th Avenue
Rock Island, IL  61201

NATURE OF REQUEST:

The Traffic Engineering Committee received a request from Roxann Duarte, 2708 8th Avenue, to install a handicapped parking space across the street from her house since there is no parking on her side of the street.

MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES WARRANTS:

Not Applicable

CONTACTS WITH RESIDENTS:

Letters were sent to nearby neighbors. One (1) response supported the request and three (3) opposed the request.

TRAFFIC STUDY INFORMATION:

Parking is banned on the south side of 8th Avenue between 27th and 28th Street.

The installation of a handicapped parking space does not restrict the handicapped parking space to only the person requesting the space but is accessible to anyone with a handicapped license plate or placard.

COST:

The cost to the city is minimal.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Traffic Engineering Committee recommends that the City Council approve the request to install a handicapped parking space on the property line between 2711 and 2715 8th Avenue and direct the city attorney to prepare the necessary paperwork.

Submitted by: Robert T. Hawes, P.E., Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director
Traffic Engineering Committee

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager
Request for a Handicapped Parking Space - 2708 8th Avenue
The following is a tabulation of responses from letters mailed to nearby residents:

**2711 8th Avenue**
Recommendation: Opposes the recommendation to install a handicapped parking space in front of her house.
Comments: See attached response.

**2715 8th Avenue**
Recommendation: Opposes the recommendation.
Comments: See attached response.

**2719 8th Avenue**
Recommendation: Opposes the recommendation.
Comments: Unlimited parking only one side of street.

**2739 8th Avenue**
Recommendation: Supports request.
Comments: None
December 20, 2012

CURRENT RESIDENT
2711 8 AVE
ROCK ISLAND IL 61201

RE: Handicapped Parking Space

To Whom It May Concern:

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Before we act on this request, we would like your input. Please complete the bottom of this letter and return it in the enclosed envelope. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (309) 732-2200. Please do so no later than Friday, January 4, 2013.

Sincerely,

Michelle Martin
Assistant to the Public Works Director
Traffic Engineering Committee

☐ I approve the installation of the handicapped parking space at 2708 8th Avenue.
☐ I disapprove the installation of the handicapped parking space.

Comments: Roxann lives on the no parking side of the street. I'm a 74 year old female who has a horse across the street

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from here. Roxanne owns 5 houses on her side of the street. If you put a handicapped parking space in front of my house, she will have a private parking space right smack in front of my house for ever. With her renting 5 houses across the street with no parking we need to be able to park in front of our house. She also has to go up 10 steps in front of her house. Her sister lives next door to me if you have to put a handicapped parking space in why didn't you put it in front of her house? I hope this does not happen to me.

Charlene Adams
December 20, 2012

CURRENT RESIDENT
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ROCK ISLAND IL 61201

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Comments: The only handicapped that is a friend of there's, she has a 4 car parking in back of her or his. I have none. P.S. I had a storm.
That's on the slab of cement that this car has backed in to so many times. This will happen again and again. It has come from the day they moved in. The neighborhood, I've lived here 28 yrs if anything I like to pay for my parking in front of my house. I'm sick of there shit! No No No. I've been handicapped for 10 yrs. I can't have one in front of my house and they can take Shacklow house or Anthony he don't drive and that house is in front of 2708.
HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE REQUEST

To install a handicapped parking space in the City of Rock Island you must first complete this Handicapped Parking Space Request form and return it to:

City of Rock Island Public Works
ATTN: Traffic Engineering
1309 Mill Street
Rock Island, IL 61201

Upon receipt of this Handicapped Parking Space Request form, the Traffic Engineering Committee (TEC) will review the request and send a letter to neighbors requesting their input. The TEC will then make a recommendation to the City Council. A letter will be sent to the person requesting the handicapped parking space indicating the date of the City Council meeting along with a copy of the TEC recommendation.

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If you have any questions regarding the procedures of installing a handicapped parking space, please feel free to call the City of Rock Island's Public Works Department at (309)732-2200.

Name of Handicapped Resident: Roxann Duarte
Property Address: 2708 - 84th Ave, R.I.IL
Telephone Numbers: (Home) 309-788-9784
                (Work)

Does the Handicapped Resident Own the Property? X Yes  No

If No, please provide the name, address, and telephone number of the property owner:

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(over)
Please describe the location to be designated as a handicapped parking space:

In front of house in street, there is only parking on one side of the street.

Does the handicapped resident have access to off-street parking such as a driveway or garage?

[ ] No  [x] Yes

If Yes, please describe the off-street parking and explain why the handicapped resident does not use the off-street parking:

The reason is my driveway which is part of my yard is on a hill. The retaining wall has crumbled and in need of repair. Not suitable for parking.

In order to utilize a handicapped parking space, a motorist must have handicapped license plates or a handicapped placard. Please provide the handicapped license plate number or placard number of the person who will be using this handicapped parking space.

License Number Placard Number

Please provide any additional information that may be of assistance to the Traffic Engineering Committee and the City Council members when they review your request:

I live on a brick street, the street is very uneven and sometime my legs don't work very well. With it being uneven I have to be very careful walking in the street and its on a hill also, the street is pretty flat outside the front of my house but still if the bricks are wet or snow they to become very slippery.

Thank you, Patrice Duarte