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Sponsor(s): Reilly, Brendan (42)

Type: Ordinance

Title: Loading/StandIng/Tow Zones S Wabash Ave at S State St

Committee(s) Assignment: Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety

Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety
City Council Meeting July 6, 2011
Alderman Brendan Reilly, 42nd Ward
Amend Loading Zone

AMEND LOADING ZONE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Section 1. That an ordinance passed by the City Council on March 6, 1996 page #17723 of the Journal of Proceedings which reads, E. Monroe Street from a point 55 feet east of S. Wabash Avenue to a point 114 feet east thereof in designated area, be and the same is hereby amended by striking there from, the following:

55 feet east of S. Wabash Avenue and inserting 88 feet east of S. State Street

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force hereinafter its passage and publication.

Brendan Reilly Alderman, 42nd Ward



City of Chicago Richard M. Daley, Mayor

Department of Transportation

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The Honorable Brendan Reilly Alderman, 42nd Ward 121 N. LaSalle, Room 306 Chicago, IL 60602



Dear Alderman Reilly:

Monroe Street

The Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) met with a member of your staff, representatives from the Park Monroe (55 E. Monroe Street) condominium building, and the Chicago and Gray Line Trolley companies on March 3, 2011 to discuss the relocation of the existing trolley stops at 55 E. Monroe Street.

Currently, both of these trolley companies utilize the existing CTA/Pace bus stop on the south side of Monroe Street, east of Wabash Avenue. The residents of Park Monroe have complained that buses and trolleys block the sidewalk in front of their building and make it difficult for residents to hail a taxicab. Additionally, these buses and trolleys block the lines of sight for residents who are exiting their parking garage. Thus, the Park Monroe residents have requested that the trolley stops be relocated to a new location.

At the March 3rd meeting, a Chicago Trolley representative agreed to eliminate their stop from 55 E. Monroe Street while a representative from the Gray Line Trolley agreed to relocate their stop to another location in close proximity. Your staff requested CDOT's assistance in identifying a potential new trolley stop location for the Gray Line Trolley.

Since the Gray Line Trolley serves the Palmer House hotel one block to the west on Monroe Street, CDOT focused its investigation on the south side of Monroe Street between State Street and Wabash Avenue. Currently, there is an 80-foot long cabstand in front of the hotel on the south side of Monroe Street that is documented in the attached ordinance. Immediately east of this cabstand is a valet loading zone that extends east to Wabash Avenue. Our records indicate that the Palmer House hotel currently pays for a 1.14-foot long valet loading zone on Monroe Street. However, a field measurement revealed that the valet loading zone signs are incorrectly posted 207 feet apart instead of the authorized 114 feet, a difference of 93 feet. CDOT's Division of Infrastructure Management will coordinate with your office on the relocation of the valet loading sign to its proper location.





Since a trolley stop in front of the Palmer House hotel would provide more convenient access to both hotel guests and users of the Gray Line Trolley, CDOT recommends allocating 50 feet of the south curb line for the Gray Line Trolley company's use. The remaining 43 feet of curb space could be added to the current de-facto right turn lane as illustrated on the attached plan.

Pending acceptance of this recommendation by representatives of the Gray Line Trolley, Palmer House hotel and your office, CDOT recommends that your office coordinate with the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) to determine if any legislative action or additional requirements are necessary prior to designating this location as an official trolley stop.

In the process of doing this study, CDOT determined that the current ordinance documenting the valet loading zone in front of the Palmer House lists the wrong limits and thus CDOT recommends that your office amend the existing ordinance as indicated below:

Amend ordinance passed March 6, 1996, page 17723 which reads E. Monroe St SS FAP 55' E of S Wabash Ave TAP 114' E thereof by striking 55' E of S Wabash Ave and inserting 88' E of S State St.

If you have any questions, please contact Luann Hamilton at 312-744-1987.

Sincerely,

An Bobby L. Ware 5-15-11 Commissioner

Originated by:

Luann Hamilton

Deputy Commissioner

Division of Project Development

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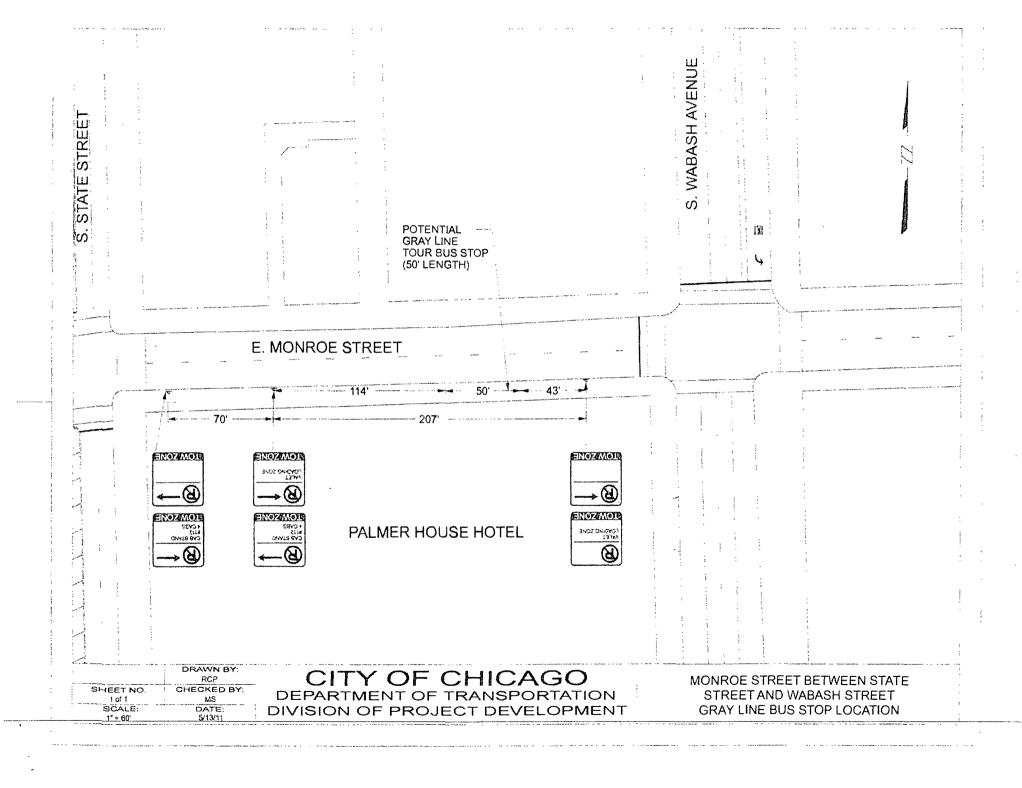
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Traffic File



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TAXICAB STAND

No. 112 On E. Monroe Street, along the south curb, from a point 20 feet east of the east line of S. State Street to a point 80 feet east thereof.

4 vehicles

Reference City Council Proceedings

Date

6/7/57

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PRIVATE BENEFIT SIGNS ORDINANCE FACT SHEET

March 30, 2011

Ordinance Description as follows for 34-120001:

E MONROE ST SS FAP 55' E OF S WABASH AVE TAP 114' E THEREOF

Recorded Date: MAR 06, 1996 on Page: 17723