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| **Case number:** | |
| **Address:** | Irving Avenue between West 97th Street and West 98th Street |
| **Application type:** | Parking Ordinance Amendment |
| **Applicant:** | City of Bloomington |

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1. Agenda information
2. Staff report
3. Location map

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# Request for Council Action

| Originator | Item | | | # |
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| **ENGINEERING** | **Request for Parking Ordinance Amendment: Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street** | | | |
| Agenda Section | By | Approved | Date | |
| | **ALM** | | **March 25, 2010** | |

Description

**Item 6**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant: City of Bloomington (City Initiated)

Request: Parking Ordinance Amendment: Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street

## REQUEST

It was recently called to the attention of City Staff that Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street, became very narrow this winter with cars parked on both sides of the road and snow packed out from the curb. Upon measurement of the effective drive lane width, it was verified that the roadway did become too narrow in the winter to provide safe passage of an emergency response vehicle.

Although this is not the situation at all times of the year, it is important for the safety of the community that a minimum drivable width of 20 feet be maintained at all times for emergency response vehicles. Staff recommends approval of a parking ordinance amendment to restrict parking on the east side of Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street.

## BACKGROUND

Currently there are no posted restrictions on this segment of Irving Avenue. There are a large number of vehicles that park on the street on this block. Most of the roads in this area do not allow parking on the roads due to the nature of the businesses, i.e. delivery truck access, etc. However, based on Staff discussions it sounds like some years ago the parking ordinance was modified to allow parking on Irving Avenue to assist in the parking issues for the volunteers at V.E.A.P.

## REQUESTED COMMISSION ACTION

At the meeting, staff requests a discussion on the recommended changes and a recommendation to Council on whether or not to pursue a parking ordinance amendment to modify parking restrictions on Irving Avenue. If the Commission recommends that the Council approve the requested change, a Public Hearing will be scheduled and advertised.

**Council Action**

Motion by _____ Second by_____ to _____

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Item 6

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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| Applicant: | City of Bloomington |
| Request: | Request for Parking Ordinance Amendment: Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street |

## REQUEST

It was recently called to the attention of City Staff that Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street (area map attached), became very narrow this winter with cars parked on both sides of the road and snow packed out from the curb. Upon measurement of the effective drive lane width, it was verified that the roadway did become too narrow in the winter to provide safe passage of an emergency response vehicle.

Although this is not the situation at all times of the year, it is important for the safety of the community that a minimum drivable width of 20 feet be maintained at all times for emergency response vehicles. Staff recommends approval of a parking ordinance amendment to restrict parking on the east side of Irving Avenue between W 97th Street and W 98th Street.

## BACKGROUND

This roadway is 36 feet wide, curb to curb. The map of the effective width, with snow and vehicles parked on both sides of the street, is attached.

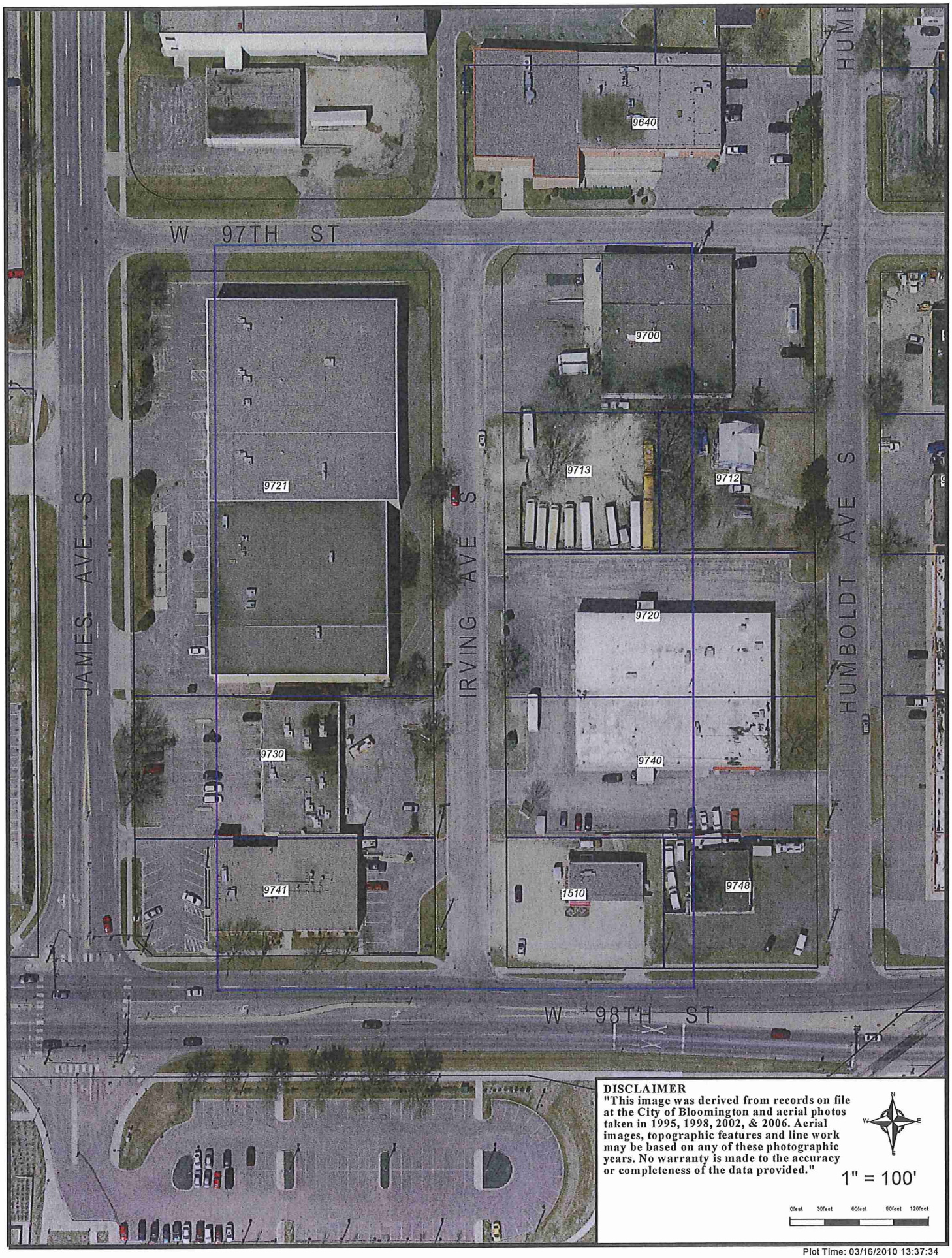
Currently there are no parking restrictions posted or in the City Code (map attached) on this segment of Irving Avenue. There are a large number of vehicles that park on the street on this block. Most of the roads in this area do not allow parking on the roads due to the nature of the businesses, i.e. delivery truck access, etc. However, based on Staff discussions it sounds like some years ago the parking ordinance was modified to allow parking on Irving Avenue to assist in the parking issues for the volunteers at V.E.A.P.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

To ensure that adequate roadway width is maintained for public safety, Staff recommends that parking restrictions be added to the east side of Irving Avenue that restricts parking 24 hours.

## REQUESTED COMMISSION ACTION

At the meeting, staff requests a discussion on the recommended changes and a recommendation to Council. A City Council Public Hearing will be scheduled and advertised.

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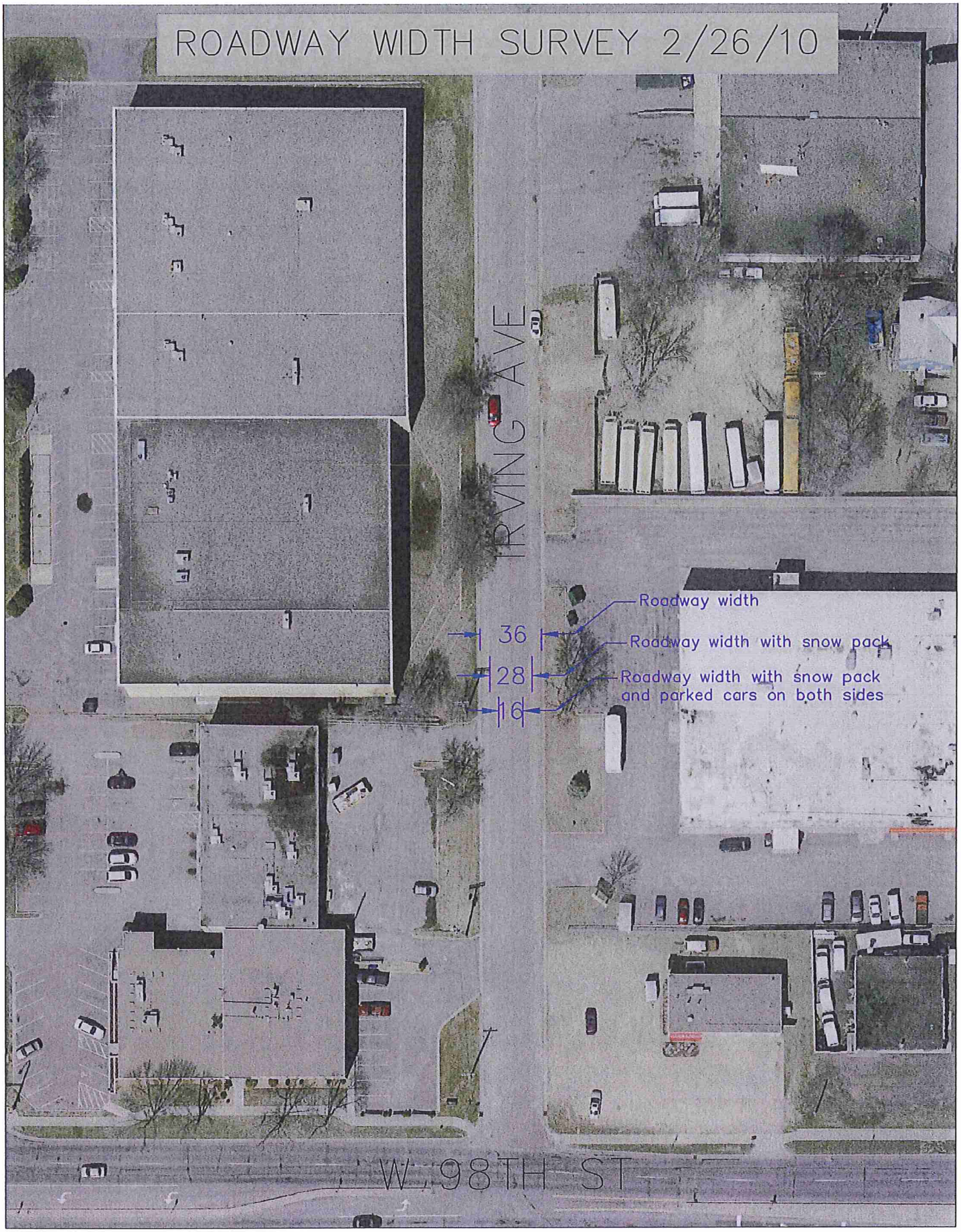
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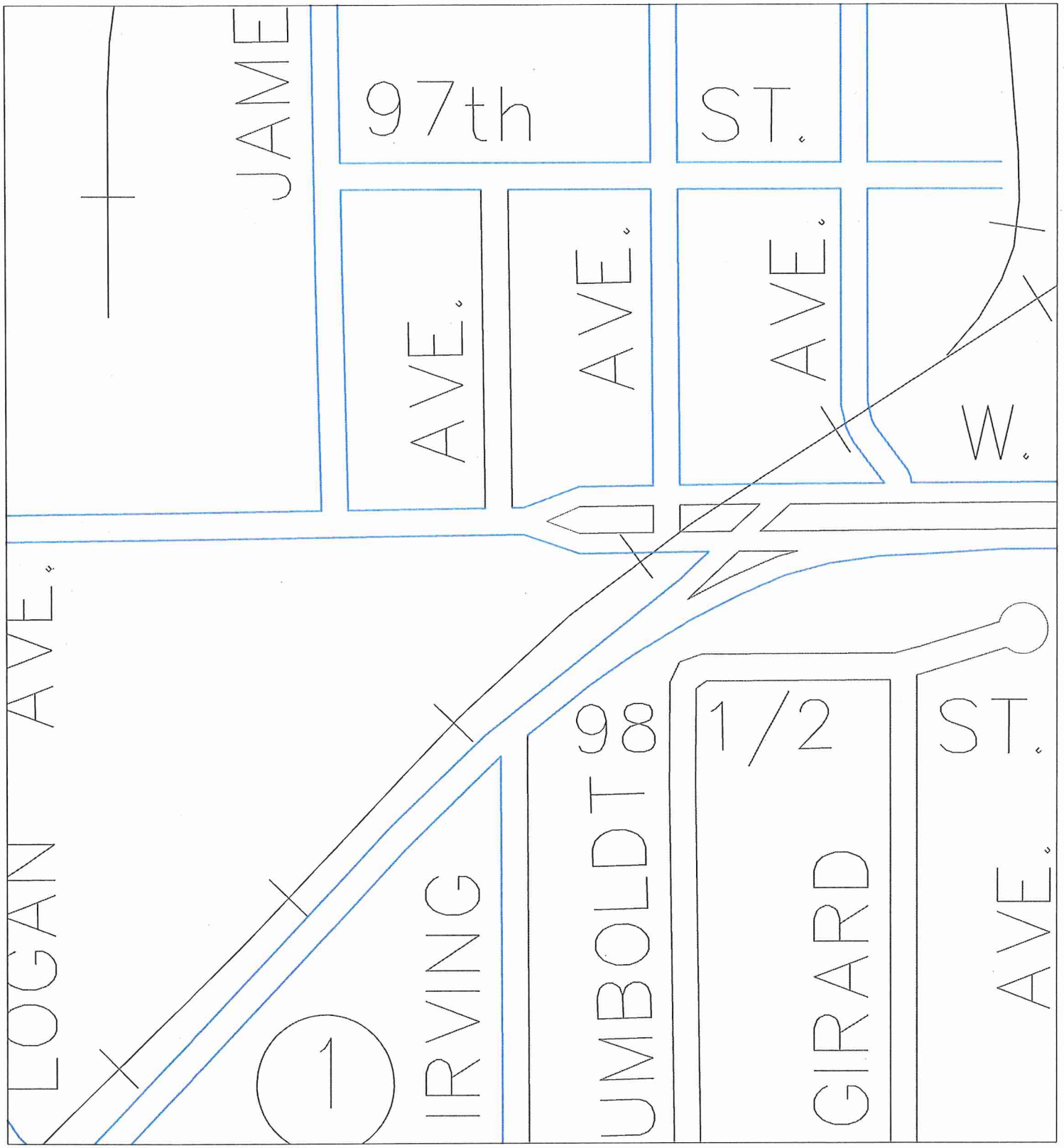
# CURRENT PARKING RESTRICTIONS

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