

From: The Downtown Leadership Council (DLC)
To: Mayor and City Council
Date: August 23, 2017
Re: Delivery truck problems downtown

Dear Mayor Treece and Members of the Council:

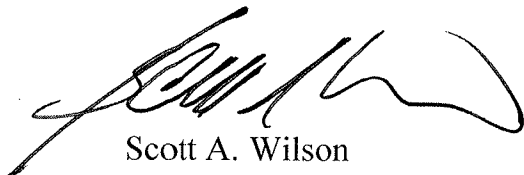
The Downtown Leadership Council has discussed the problem of delivery trucks clogging downtown traffic, particularly over the lunch hour. An example is the attached photo which was recently taken on Ninth Street over the lunch hour, showing two semi-tractor trailers parked in tandem, effectively blocking an entire block. This obviously presents a traffic problem—but more importantly—a safety issue for fire trucks and emergency vehicles, and also for pedestrians and bicyclists. We focused on bigger trucks, not UPS or Fed-Ex trucks/vans,

We discussed the fact that downtown alleys are not available for delivery trucks, and that there are no designated delivery zones, and decided that because this is technically a parking problem, we asked The Parking & Traffic Management Task Force to include it in their review. Unfortunately they were unable to address it due to their time constraints.

The DLC believes a study to collect data on the location, times, and frequency of delivery truck parking downtown would be helpful, and requests the Council authorize such a study, for consideration of a city ordinance addressing this issue. We would ask that the DLC be included in finalizing the “Scope of Services” for such a study.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours very truly,



Scott A. Wilson
DLC Chair

