

# **Electric Vehicle Charging Zoning Study**

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# **Today's Presentation**

- Why this study
- Recommended amendments



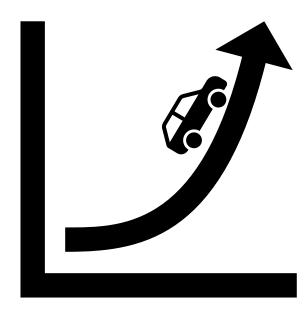


## The Looming EV Charging Issue

- EV use is growing
- Charging need is growing
- Most EV charging will be at home
- Most St. Paulites will live in multifamily housing
- Retrofits for multifamily are expensive
- Equity: Will multifamily residents be left behind?

## Electric vehicle use is growing

- 7.6% of US auto sales in 2023
- Predicted to be over 50% of sales by early 2030s



# Charging need is growing





## Most EV charging will be at home





## Most St. Paulites will live in multifamily housing





## Retrofits for EV charging can be expensive



• 2x to 10x compared to upfront installations



## Will multifamily residents be left behind?



What will happen with the ~11,000 multifamily units we're adding by 2040?





- Apply to surface parking facilities with 16+ parking spaces that require site plan review
- Require 80% of parking spaces to be EV capable
- Require 1 per 30 parking spaces to be EV ready
- No requirement for EV charger itself





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- (a) At least eighty (80) percent of the facility's parking spaces must have an electrical conduit or raceway connection to electrical service with sufficient panel space reserved that is capable of operating at Level 2 (208 Volts) or greater power.
- (b) Additionally, for surface parking facilities with more than thirty (30) spaces that require site plan review per Sec. 63.202, at least one (1) of the spaces per each thirty (30) must be served by installed wiring in electrical conduit or raceway, and electrical service sufficient to supply electric vehicle charging at a minimum of 208 Volts power level. Such space may or may not include the associated above-ground charging equipment for charging an electric vehicle.

Conduit and raceway required above shall be installed in accordance with the Minnesota State

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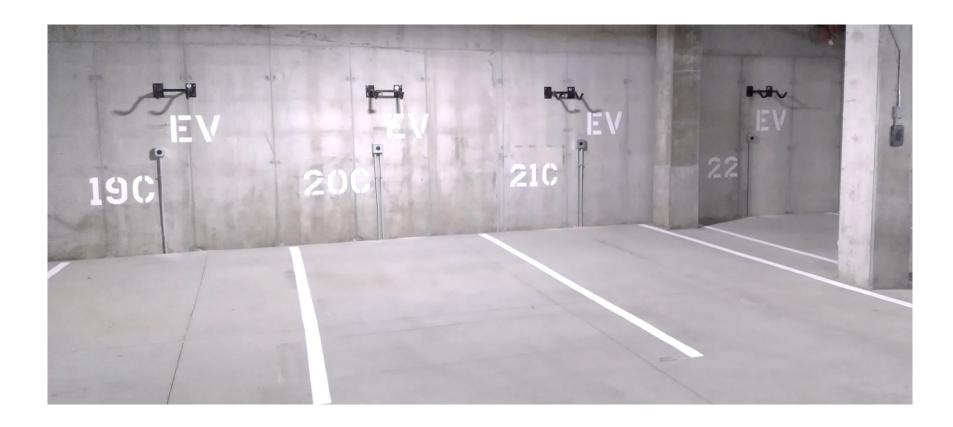


## **EV Charging Zoning Study**

https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-and-economic-development/planning/current-activities for more information

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# **Implementation**

• Forecasted costs to implement

## Upfront prep for EV charging is relatively cheap





Estimated around 0.1% to 0.2% of overall development costs

## Example application: 520 Payne Avenue

- 2000
- 62-unit residential development with 45 parking spaces. Proposed code amendments would have required:
  - 1 EV-ready space (cost: ~\$1,000/space)
  - 36 EV-capable spaces (cost: ~\$600/space)
  - Total EV costs: ~\$22,600
- Total development costs: \$18.7 million

(note: Figures above are illustrative, with a high plus/minus, and not a customized estimate)



## Example application: 695 Grand Avenue

2000

- Mixed-use development (81 residential units and 3 restaurant/retail) with 99 parking spaces. Proposed code amendments would have required:
  - 3 EV-ready spaces (cost: ~\$1,000/space)
  - 80 EV-capable spaces (cost: ~\$600/space)
  - Total EV costs: ~\$41,400
- Total development costs: \$32.5 million

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