

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP**  
**OCTOBER 13, 2009 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Parking Modifications: Middaugh Avenue, from Prairie Avenue to Franklin Street	✓ Resolution Ordinance Motion Discussion Only	Naneil Newlon, P.E. Director of Public Works

**SYNOPSIS**

An ordinance has been prepared to amend sections of the Municipal Code related to parking restrictions on the west side of Middaugh Avenue, between Prairie Avenue and Franklin Street.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

The Five Year Plan and Goals for 2008-2013 identified *Exceptional Municipal Organization*. A supporting objective of this goal is *Top Quality Village Infrastructure and Facilities*.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approval on the October 20, 2009, active agenda.

**BACKGROUND**

This item was brought forward by neighborhood residents at the August 12, 2009 Transportation and Parking Commission meeting. The issue was raised in response to the on-street parking restrictions along Middaugh Avenue, between Prairie Avenue and Franklin Street. Residents indicated they have experienced difficulty accessing the street with vehicles parked on both sides. Currently, Middaugh Avenue has no restrictions in this section and parking is permitted along both sides of the street.

Staff has observed the current parking configuration on Middaugh Avenue is inefficient, contributes to access difficulties, and does not maximize on-street parking for the residents. Staff believes converting Middaugh Avenue to a more consistent parking restriction would benefit area residents. During the August 12, 2009 meeting of the Transportation and Parking Commission, area residents suggested converting the west side of Middaugh to “No Parking Any Time” and to not restrict parking on the east side. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the proposed parking modifications. Staff is in agreement with these recommendations.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Meeting Minutes – TAP Commission Meeting August 12, 2009

Exhibit

Ordinance

## **TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION**

### **August 12, 2009**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**File #15-09 4800 Block of Middaugh Avenue - Parking Modification** - Mr. Fera stated this matter was a follow-up request from last year when reconstruction had taken place and there were questions as to whether parking signage was forgotten for the block. Per ordinance, no signage needed to be replaced on this particular section of block, since there are no restrictions in the Village ordinance. However, per the residents' request, they did want staff to consider four-hour parking on the west side of Middaugh and no parking on the east side, as similar to other sections of Middaugh.

**Ms. Margaret Wittman**, 4825 Middaugh, Downers Grove, confirmed there was no prior parking restrictions on the street and agreed with the parking proposal except for the four-hour restriction. She stated the street was not busy and high school students were not issue.

**Mr. John Jacobs**, 4820 Middaugh, Downers Grove, asked for width clarification for Middaugh south of Prairie and asked why it was narrowed. He did not support the 4-hour restriction.

**Mr. Mike Wittman**, 4825 Middaugh, Dowers Grove, while he appreciated the repaving he did not believe the residents should be paying for the village's mistakes. He did speak to 7 out of 10 neighbors on the street who supported the one-side parking but not the four-hour restriction.

**Mr. Elmer Chessman**, 4808 Middaugh, Downers Grove, reiterated there were no parking issues from the students and asked to consider the parking on the west side since three fire hydrants existed on the east and would reduce parking.

Mr. Millette discussed the options before the commissions. Mr. Cronin agreed to move the parking to the west side with no restrictions on the east side and if future issues arose, the matter could be re-petitioned. Staff, however, noted that parking on both sides created difficulty for vehicles and emergency vehicles to pass through.

**Co-chairman Wendt** supported having the east side of Middaugh as unregulated since the west side had the hydrants. Asked if staff preferred to match the same parking restrictions as the next northern blocks of Middaugh, Mr. Millette explained parking could be consistent either coming from the north or coming from the south.

Mr. Saricks shared an earlier conversation he had with Co-chairman Gress and the residents of the 4800 block of Middaugh, in which residents voiced concern about speeders. Mr. Saricks stated that if the parking restriction is flipped-flopped, the speeding concern is reduced.

**MR. CRONIN MADE A MOTION TO PLACE THE "NO PARKING ANY TIME" RESTRICTION ON THE WEST SIDE AND LEAVE THE EAST SIDE OF MIDDAGH UNRESTRICTED.**

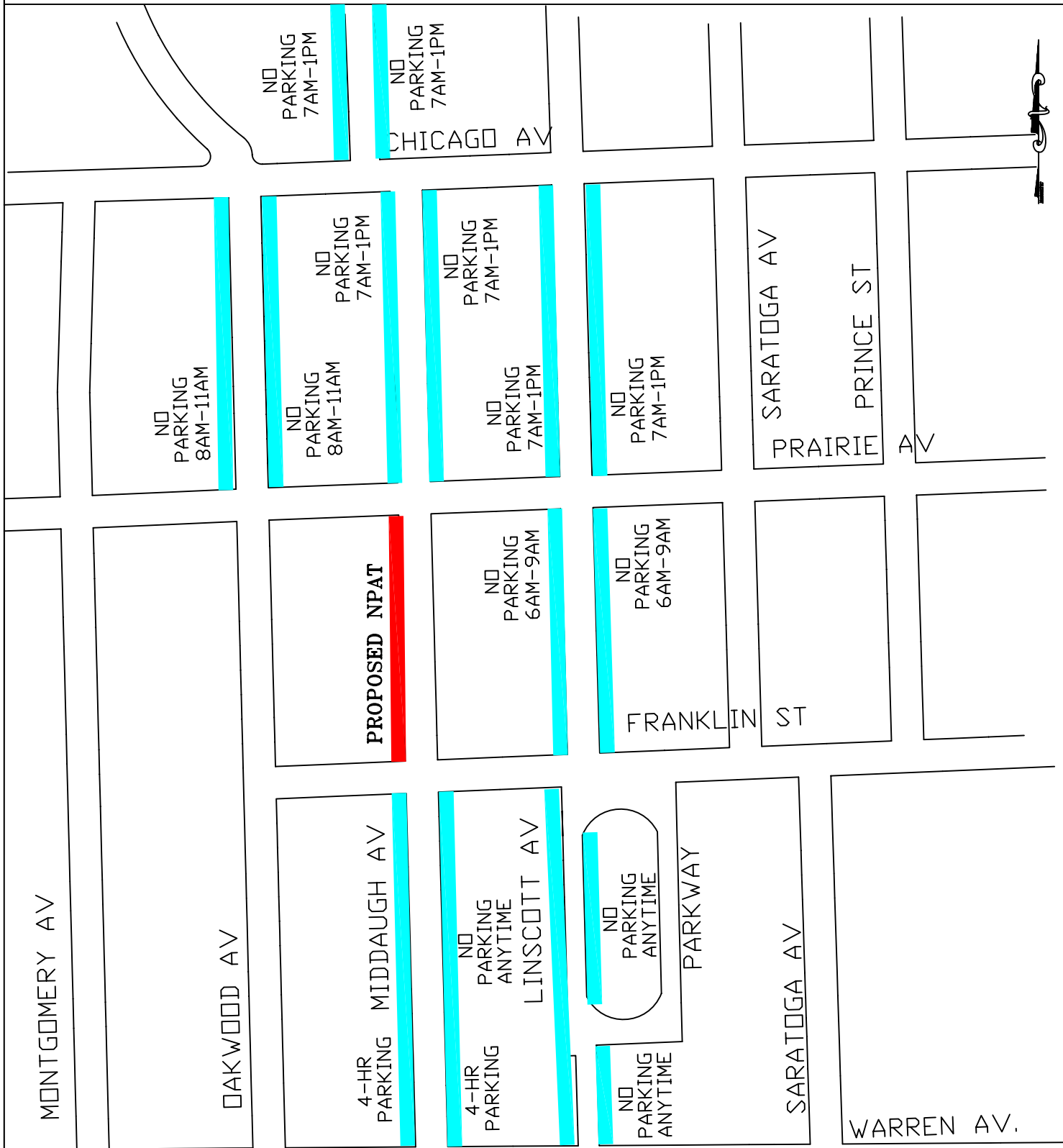
**SECONDED BY MS. VAN ANNE. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE OF 8-0.**

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION  
 MIDDAGH AVENUE, PRAIRIE AV. TO WARREN AV.  
 PARKING MODIFICATIONS  
 TAP COMMISSION FILE #15-09 (Revised)

EXHIBIT 1



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10/08/09



NPAT= NO PARKING ANY TIME

Parking Prairie/Middaugh

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN PARKING RESTRICTIONS  
ON PRAIRIE AVENUE AND MIDDAUGH AVENUE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove in DuPage County, Illinois, as follows: (Additions are indicated by shading/underline; deletions by ~~strikeout~~):

**Section 1. That Section 14.98 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

**14.98 No parking zones-Generally.**

No person shall park or let stand, any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle at any time in any of the following locations:

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Middaugh Avenue, on the west side, from Prairie Avenue to Franklin Street.

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~~Prairie Avenue, on the south side, from the east line of Linden Street to the west line of Fairview Avenue.; and from the east line of Belmont Road, to a point one hundred thirty feet east of the east line of Belmont Road; and from Forest Avenue to Highland Avenue.~~

Prairie Avenue, on the south side, from Belmont Road to a point six hundred fifty (650) feet east of Belmont Road.

Prairie Avenue, on the south side, from Main Street to a point one hundred fifty (150) feet west of Montgomery Avenue.

Prairie Avenue, on the north side, from the east line of Belmont Road, to a point one hundred eighteen feet east of the east line of Belmont Road; and from Elm Street to Wallbank Avenue from Belmont Road to Main Street.

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**Section 2. That Section 14.103.3. is hereby amended to read as follows:**

**14.103.3. No Parking--Between 7:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M., except on weekends and holidays.**

No person shall park or let stand any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle at any time between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M., local time, on any day except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays in the following locations:

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~~—————Prairie Avenue, on the south side, from Middaugh Avenue to Forest Avenue.~~

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**Section 3. That Section 14.107. is hereby amended to read as follows:**

**14.107. Four-hour parking--Between 6:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., except on weekends and holidays.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or let stand any vehicle in a parking space in any of the

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locations in paragraph (a) of this Section in such manner that the front of such vehicle is directed away from the curbing or not in accordance with the posted signage; provided, that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any parking space unless there shall be posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of such parking space appropriate signs stating the restriction imposed by this subsection.

(a) Except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, it shall be unlawful for any person to park, stop or let stand any automobile, motor vehicle or other vehicle for more than four consecutive hours at any time between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. local time, in any of the following locations:

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~~\_\_\_\_\_ Prairie Avenue, on the south side from a point six hundred fifty (650) feet east of Belmont Road to a point one hundred fifty (150) feet west of Montgomery Avenue.~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ Prairie Avenue, on the north side from a point one hundred eighteen feet east of the east line of Belmont Road to Woodward Avenue; and on the south side, from a point one hundred thirty feet east of the east line of Belmont Road to Woodward Avenue.~~

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**Section 4.** That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 5.** That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

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Mayor

Passed:  
Published:  
Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Village Clerk

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