

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 1, 2014 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Proposed Parking Restrictions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (West) Cross Street, South of Ogden Ave • Belle Aire Lane, North of Ogden Ave 	✓ Resolution Ordinance Motion Discussion Only	Nan Newlon, P.E. Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

An ordinance has been prepared to amend a section of the Municipal Code concerning “No Parking Any Time” restrictions along both sides of (West) Cross Street, south of Ogden Avenue and on Belle Aire Lane, north of Ogden Avenue.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2014-2018 include *Top Quality Infrastructure*.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the April 8, 2014 active agenda.

BACKGROUND

Staff proposes parking restrictions for Cross Street and Belle Aire near their intersections with Ogden Avenue. The No Parking Any Time restrictions would reduce parking and vehicle conflicts in each location.

Cross Street

This item has been brought forward by the Community Development and Police Departments. For approximately 150 feet south of Ogden Ave, parked vehicles impede the safe turning of vehicles to and from Cross Street. Cross Street is a local street primarily serving a residential neighborhood. Ogden Avenue is the principal state route at this location that carries a high volume of traffic and at times excessive travel speeds as well.

Belle Aire Lane

This item has been brought forward through resident calls and from the Police Department. For approximately 120 to 140 feet north of Ogden Ave, there are no parking restrictions which results in the intersection being blocked during most morning and afternoon peak travel periods. Currently, the east side of Belle Aire Lane is signed with a “No Parking Here To Corner” restriction. However, this restriction is not listed in the Village Ordinance, and is not enforceable. The west side of Belle Aire Lane does not have a parking restriction.

There is not sufficient roadway space for both parking and maintaining safe two-way travel on Belle Aire Lane. School buses and passenger vehicles back up onto Ogden Avenue as a result.

Staff proposes a “No Parking Any Time” restriction for a distance of 180 feet on the east side of the street and 160 feet on the west side of the street, north of Ogden Avenue. With restrictions in place, parking and vehicular movement conflicts at this location will be eliminated.

Both of these items were presented to the Transportation and Parking Commission on February 12, 2014. The Commission voted unanimously to approve these items as presented.

ATTACHMENTS

Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2014 Transportation and Parking Commission

Exhibits

Ordinances

Belle Aire - No Parking

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING NO PARKING REGULATIONS
ON A CERTAIN PORTION OF BELLE AIRE LANE**

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:

* * *

Belle Aire Lane, on the east side, from Ogden Avenue to a point one hundred eighty (180) feet north of Ogden Avenue.

Belle Aire Lane, on the west side, from Ogden Avenue to a point one hundred sixty (160) feet north of Ogden Avenue.

* * *

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:
Published:
Attest: _____
Village Clerk

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2014

File # 03-14 – Belle Aire Lane north of Ogden Ave. - Parking Restrictions - Mr. Fera reported that several calls were received from concerned drivers and school parents police regarding the unsafe conditions at Belle Aire Lane and Ogden Ave, due to vehicles parked on Belle Aire Lane too close to the intersection, blocking turning vehicles from Ogden Ave. The Police Department were called and deployed vehicles to this location several times, and became aware of the challenges of this intersection with concerns about school buses on their way to Belle Aire School, i.e., the rear of buses hanging in the intersection before turning. In addition, **Mr. Fera** pointed out that another issue was that signs do exist on the east side of Belle Aire Lane, but these “No Parking here to corner” signs are not recorded in the ordinance and need to be made official. In response, **Mr. Fera** stated that the safety objectives are to both update the ordinance and also extend the no parking restrictions on Belle Aire Lane further away (north) of Ogden Ave. **Mr. Fera** confirmed that the businesses in the vicinity were notified.

MR. CRONIN MADE A MOTION THAT A “NO PARKING ANY TIME” DESIGNATION NORTH OF OGDEN AVENUE, ALONG THE EAST SIDE AND WEST SIDE OF BELLE AIRE LANE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 180 FEET AND 160 FEET, RESPECTIVELY, BE INSTALLED.

**MR. SCHILLER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL:
AYE: MR. SCHILLER, MR. STUEBNER, MR. SARICKS, MR. CRONIN
NAY: NONE**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4-0

FILE # 03-14

BELLE AIRE LANE

PARKING RESTRICTIONS

TRANSPORTATION and PARKING COMMISSION

EXHIBIT 1

