



To: Chairperson and Transportation and Safety Committee
From: Frank Kalisik, Civil Engineer II *FK*
Through: Carl S. Goldsmith, Director of Public Works *CSG*
Date: August 7, 2013
Subject: Fairfield Avenue North of 16th Street; No Parking Regulation Request

130284; Request to Restrict Parking on East Side of Fairfield Avenue, North of 16th Street

During the June 10, 2013 Transportation and Safety Committee Meeting, the subject was discussed and tabled, requesting staff to investigate/study the request. The following data has been gathered for consideration.

Current Parking: Parking is restricted on the west side of the street (fire lane); parking is permitted on east side.
Pavement Width: 24 Feet, back of curb to back of curb (B6.12).
Traffic Volume: Northbound = 90 ADT; Southbound = 286 ADT.
Traffic Speeds: State statute 30 mph speed limit; 85th percentile of 35 mph; Village Police Dept. (Officer Brad Bichel) has 2 year history of monitoring without differing results.
Accident History: One (1) recorded accident within the last 3 years; excessive speed and weather were the contributing causes.

The pavement width of Fairfield Avenue, coupled with the parking restriction on the west side of the street, provides sufficient access to the residential community by emergency vehicles. Traffic volumes are very low in the northbound direction, but parking on the east side of Fairfield Avenue could cause a cautionary single lane travel route when more than one vehicle is parked on Fairfield Avenue simultaneously. Accident history and travel speeds for this area are not extra-ordinary or disproportionate to typical traffic behavior. The data does not support any warrants for implementation in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) or current Village Ordinances.

Staff recognizes parking on the east side of Fairfield Avenue adjacent to the residential community may create a reduction in pavement width for northbound traffic on Fairfield Avenue, which can cause temporary traffic congestion conditions. However, the data suggests traffic is behaving normally and safely. For these reasons, staff does not recommend restricting parking on the east side of Fairfield Avenue in this area. Nevertheless, should the Transportation and Safety Committee determine it would be beneficial to the residents of this area that are both requesting the parking restriction and most directly affected by the circumstances, the following could be recommended to the Village Board of Trustees as a modification of the Traffic Code:

ADD:

SCHEDULE VII – PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS

In accordance with Section 10-13-6 and when signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall, at any time, park a vehicle upon any of the following streets or parts of streets:

Name of Street	From	To
Fairfield Avenue, East Side	Dead End North of 16 th Street	A point 340 feet south.

CC: William Ware; District 6

Fairfield Avenue, North of 16th Street

