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To:

Chairperson and Transportation and Safety Committee

From:

Frank Kalisik, Civil Engineer II 71h

Through:

Carl S. Goldsmith, Director of Public Works

Date:

March 2, 2011

Subject:

Pleasant Lane School, Berkshire Avenue - Parking Restriction

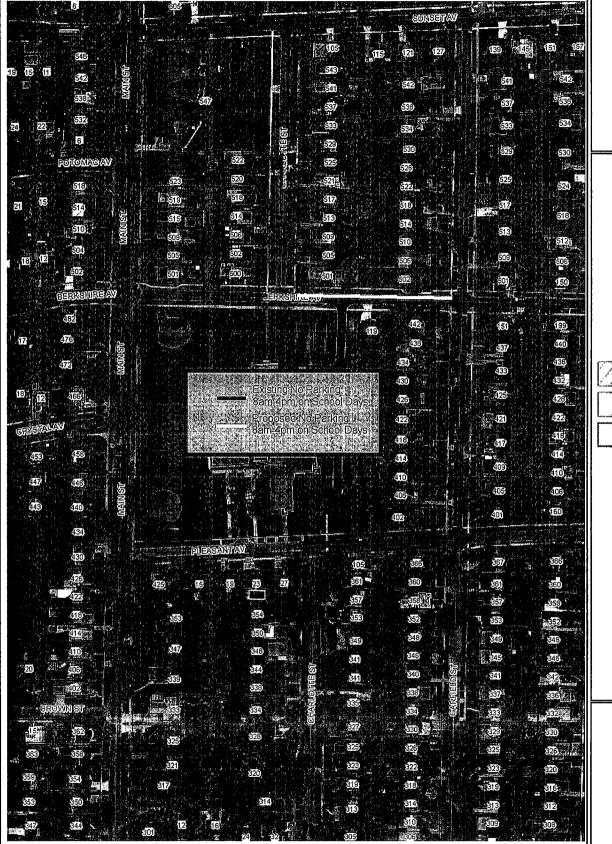
## 110087; Ordinance to Limit Parking on Berkshire Avenue - Pleasant Lane School Zone

On November 18, 2010, the Village Board of Trustees amended the Traffic Code designating Berkshire Avenue as a one-way street between Main and Charlotte Streets and restricting parking on the west side of Charlotte Street north of Pleasant Lane School between 8 am and 4 pm on school days at the recommendation of the Transportation and Safety Committee. Once these regulations were implemented, patrons of the school were observed queuing/parking on the north side of Berkshire Avenue to drop off their children, generating two safety concerns. The first concern was the observation that students were exiting and entering vehicles parked on westbound Berkshire Avenue from the street side doors and crossing Berkshire Avenue randomly instead of utilizing the stop sign controlled crossings at the intersection of Charlotte Street. The second concern was the observation that Berkshire Avenue between Charlotte and Garfield Streets is designated for two-way traffic. With a pavement width of 26 feet and vehicles parked on the north and south sides of Berkshire Avenue, there is insufficient space for two-way traffic. This area becomes very congested, causing vehicles to periodically back up to allow the passage of on-coming traffic.

Staff recommends prohibiting parking on the north side of Berkshire Avenue between Charlotte and Garfield Streets which will address both of these issues and maintain a consistent traffic pattern around Pleasant Lane School. (See attached map and current Pleasant Avenue parking restrictions.) The affected local residents and the Pleasant Lane School Principal were informed of these observations, staff's proposal to remedy the situation, and their comments solicited. Attached are a copy of the correspondence and a record of their responses. Based upon this information, staff recommends the following modifications to the Village Traffic Code:

1. Prohibit parking between 8 am and 4 pm on school days along the north side of Berkshire Avenue between Charlotte and Garfield Streets.

cc:



Proposed Parking Restriction on Berkshire Avenue - Pleasant Lane School



Address Points

Centerline

JURIS

- -- DPC TRAIL
- ---- RIVER
- → RxR
- --- TOLLWAY
- Building\_Footprints
- Parcels
- limits-poly



250 ft





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Village President William J. Mueller

February 17, 2011

Village Clerk Brigitte O'Brien Dear Resident:

## Trustees

Greg Alan Gron, Dist. 1 Keith T. Giagnorio, Dist. 2 Zachary C. Wilson, Dist. 3 Dana L. Moreau, Dist. 4 Laura A. Fitzpatrick, Dist. 5 William "Bill" Ware, Dist. 6 The Village of Lombard and Pleasant Lane School have collaborated on methods to improve traffic congestion and pedestrian safety in your neighborhood. Pleasant Lane School, the Police Department, and Public Works representatives have developed a traffic plan that we believe will increase the safety of all pedestrians, students, and the motoring public. A copy of the proposed parking plan modification is attached for your review and we would like to hear your comments or concerns. You may contact the Public Works Department via telephone at 630-620-5740, e-mail <a href="www.kaliskf@villageoflombard.org">www.kaliskf@villageoflombard.org</a>, or in person at the Public Works Building located at 1051 S. Hammerschmidt Avenue. The Public Works Building is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Village Manager David A. Hulseberg

Implementing the proposed plan will require establishing a "No Parking Zone" on the north side of Berkshire Avenue between Charlotte and Garfield Streets from 8am to 4pm on School Days. If you have any comments, please contact us no later than Friday, February 25, 2011. The results of this inquiry will be presented at the next Traffic and Safety Committee which is scheduled for March 7, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Lorraine G. Gerhardt Community Room of the Village Hall.

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Sincerely,

"The **Mission** of the Village of Lombard is to provide superior and responsive governmental services to the people of Lombard."

Frank Kalisik Civil Engineer II

## Pleasant Lane School No Parking Zone on Berkshire Avenue Survey Results

<u>Address</u>	Comments
119 E. Bershire	Resident is in support of No Parking Zones on one or both sides of Berkshire Avenue.
501N. Charlotte Street	No comments received.
502 N. Garflield Street	No comments received.
442 N. Garfield Street	No comments received.
Pleasant Lane School	Principal Loth has requested Berkshire Avenue be designated as one-way from Main Street to Garfield Street and parking be restricted on the north side of Berkshire Avenue.