

ORDINANCE NO. 6184

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF LOMBARD TRAFFIC CODE
SECTION 10-13-12 REGARDING PARKING DURING SNOW REMOVAL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LOMBARD, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the Village of Lombard Traffic Code Section 10-13-12 is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Section 10-13-12 Parking Limited During Snow Removal

It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle for a period of time longer than three minutes for loading and unloading of passengers or thirty minutes for loading and unloading of property of any street at any time after snow begins to fall and for a period of eight hours after snow ceases to fall, if the snow on the street exceeds one inch (1") in depth, as determined by the Director of Public Works or his representative, and for such added period of time, if necessary, to complete snow removal operations on any such street(s).

The Director of Public Works, or his representative, shall immediately notify the media and Police Department when he determines that snow on any street within the Village limits exceeds one inch (1") in depth.

Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this Section shall be fined not less than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 2: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

Passed on first reading this 1st day of May, 2008.

First reading waived by action of the Board of Trustees this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Passed on second reading this 15th day of May, 2008, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Gron, Tross, O'Brien, Moreau, Fitzpatrick & Soderstrom

Nays: None

Absent: None

Approved by me this 15th day of May 2008.

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William J. Mueller, Village President

ATTEST:


Brigitte O'Brien, Village Clerk

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Brigitte O'Brien, Village Clerk

To: William T. Lichter, Village Manager
From: David P. Gorman, PE, Acting Director of Public Works
Date: April 23, 2008
RE: Traffic Code Amendment for Parking During Snow Removal

Section 10-13-12 of the Village's Traffic Code restricts on-street parking only after three inches of snow has fallen in a particular storm. However, the Village's Snow Plan calls for salt spreading as soon as there is accumulation on the pavement and for snow plowing to commence after one inch of snow has fallen. Over the past winter, fifteen of the twenty-nine snow events exceeded one inch in depth.

This disconnect between the Village's Snow Plan and the Traffic Code poses a real danger to drivers and their vehicles. During these events, parked cars prevented or delayed the plowing of the full pavement width. Those cars are also occasionally hit by the Village trucks as well as by other vehicles. In fact, there is at least one accident most winters, including a car that was totaled this past January.

A survey of surrounding communities found that only Downers Grove also uses a three-inch standard. Addison, Glen Ellyn and Villa Park have a two-inch standard. Oakbrook Terrace has a one-inch standard and Oak Brook does not allow any on-street parking in most areas.

Staff recommends that the Village Board of Trustees amend the Traffic Code to restrict on-street parking after one inch of snowfall. The Transportation and Safety Committee voted unanimously on April 7, 2008 to recommend this amendment. As such, please place this item on the Board of Trustees agenda for May 1, 2008.