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To:

Municipal Services Committee

From:

Eric Lom, City Traffic Engineer

Date:

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Re:

Proposed parking restriction on North Street at Durkee Street to address safety concerns

Follow-Up to Six-Month Trial Period

In response to requests from multiple citizens, the City's Traffic Section assessed the possibility of removing onstreet parking on the north side of North Street, just east and west of the Durkee Street intersection, as a means of improving sight lines for southbound drivers.

On-street parking is heavily utilized in this area due to its proximity to the Central Business District. Upon inspection, we were able to confirm that sight lines for southbound drivers were extremely poor, resulting in significant safety issues at the intersection. Based on this, we initiated a 6-month trial to remove parking in the vicinity of the intersection.

We believe this change has improved safety at this intersection. Additionally, we have received no negative feedback from the neighborhood regarding this change. As such we recommend making the change permanent.

To accomplish this, the following ordinance action is required:

1. *Create:* "Parking be prohibited on the north side of North Street from a point 30 feet west of Durkee Street to a point 50 feet east of Durkee Street."