



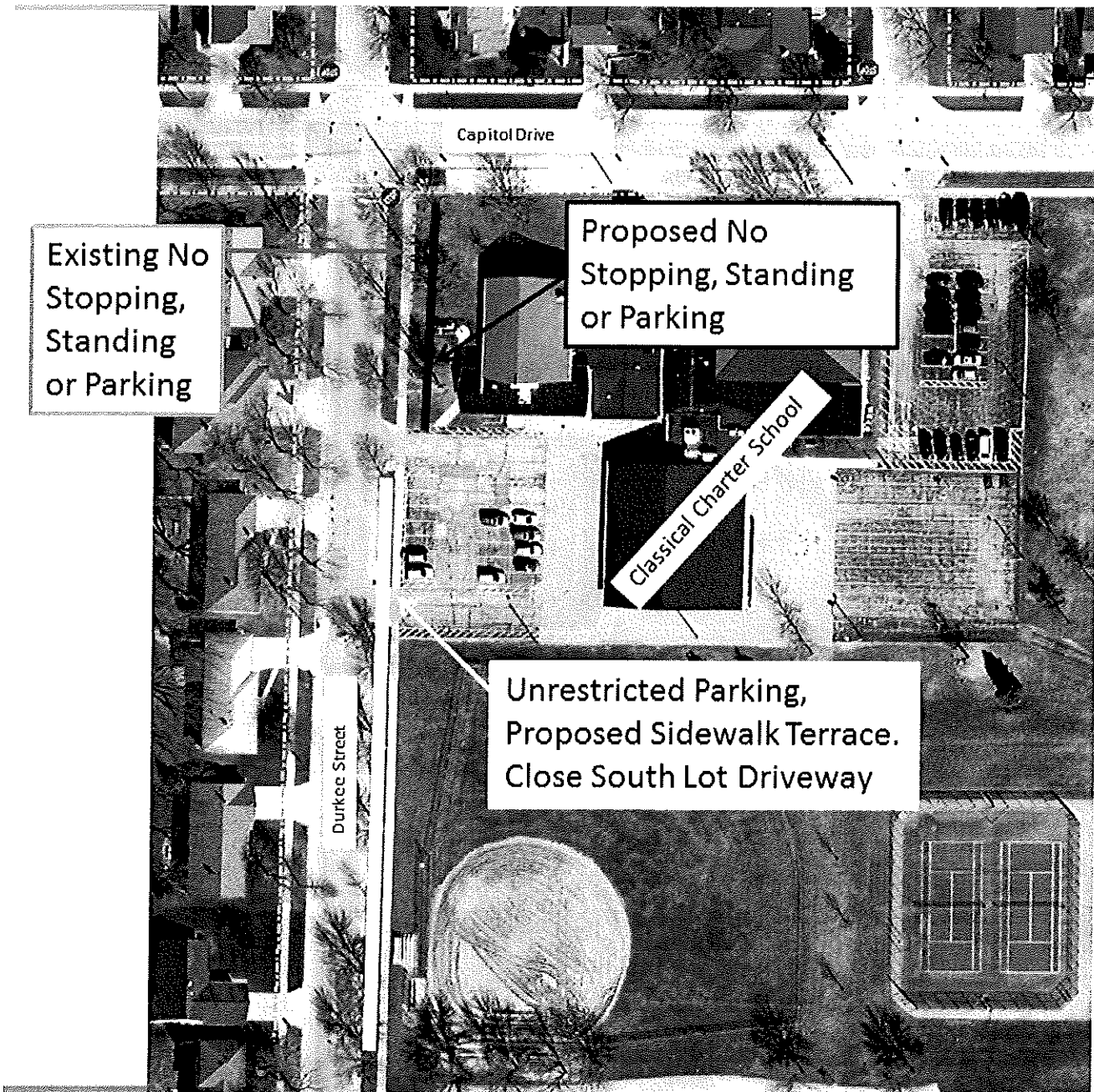
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To: Municipal Services Committee
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Re: Additional Parking Restriction on the east side of Durkee Street, adjacent to Classical Charter School
Proposed 90-Day Trial

The Traffic Section was recently contacted by Classical Charter School about safety concerns they were having with use of their parking lot on the east side of Durkee Street for pick-up and drop-off of students. They were experiencing too many close calls between kids and vehicles. The traffic problems were also extending onto Durkee Street where turning vehicles would gridlock the street at times waiting to get into the parking lot. The school's plan to address these concerns is to limit the parking lot use to staff parking and special situations. Other components of this plan include removal of the parking lot's south driveway to create more on street parking and drop off area, and filling in the existing grass terrace with sidewalk between the north driveway and the south end of the baseball diamond so parking and drop off is available for year round use.

There is currently a *No Stopping, Standing or Parking during school days* restriction on the east side of Durkee Street extending from Capitol Drive to a point 70 feet to the south. However, Classical Charter is requesting this restriction be extended an additional 70 feet to their north parking lot driveway. The school would like to keep this area clear between their driveway and Capitol Drive to assure no drop-off traffic restricts traffic accessing Capitol Drive. The Principle of Classical Charter School has been asked to contact the affected property owners of the proposed restriction.

Durkee Street is 36 feet from curb face-to-face, and is classified as a residential street. The west side of Durkee Street already has a *No Stopping, Standing or Parking during school days* restriction. See the included illustration for addition information.



Considering the complications described above, The Traffic Section concurs with the request of Classical Charter School to extend the current parking restriction on the east side of Durkee Street.

To accomplish this, the following ordinance action is required (for a 90-day trial):

1. **Repeal Ord. 13-06** (for a 90-day trial): "Stopping, standing and parking be prohibited on school days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the east side of Durkee Street from Capitol Drive to a point 70' south."
2. **Create** (for a 90-day trial): "Stopping, standing and parking be prohibited on school days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the east side of Durkee Street from Capitol Drive to a point 140' south of Capitol Drive."