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**Sent:** Monday, July 22, 2024 3:43 PM  
**To:** Zachary Kessler  
**Subject:** FW: [External] parking change to N. 72nd street

Comments and response regarding Item 24-1086 (72<sup>nd</sup> Street)

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What is happening here?

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**To:** 'Mike Zaworski' <mikez68@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** RE: [External] 72nd st. Parking Regulations

Hi Mike,

Thank you for your email. To answer your question, you are correct that the west side of 72<sup>nd</sup> Street is signed no parking 8am-6pm except weekends and holidays. The signs match the ordinance – I'll point out my report error to the committee.

Regarding the removal of parking restrictions, if approved as recommended, this would be a 90-day trial to see what the impact would be. During those 90 days, we will collection parking information and report back to the Transportation Affairs Committee on permanent parking changes – if any – as a result of the trial period.

Regarding a change to the west side parking, I would recommend the 90-day trial as written first. The reason for the weekday restrictions on the east side is to keep two directions of travel open for emergency services from 8am-6pm, as the street is 24-feet wide and 8-6pm on weekdays is when the parking demand is highest in the area.

Thank you, Mike. I will share your thoughts with the Transportation Affairs Committee.

Sincerely,  
Mike

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**To:** Michael May <[mmay@wauwatosanet.net](mailto:mmay@wauwatosanet.net)>  
**Subject:** [External] 72nd st. Parking Regulations

Hi,

We received your letter regarding the parking regulations on 72nd st. from Milwaukee to Hillcrest.

1. The West side sign states no parking from 8 am to 6 pm except holidays and weekends. It does not say anything about school days - that would actually be better so if the sign is incorrect can it be corrected?
2. We've lived here for 2 years and did not even realize there were parking restrictions on the east side of the street so we are in favor of removing the restriction. However, only if it can be put back if Tosa East student parking becomes a problem.
3. Actually, I propose changing the west side restriction to what the east side is now. 3 hour parking from 9-6 except weekends and holidays.

Regards,

Michael and dawn Zaworski  
1729 N 72nd St.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 2:13 PM  
**To:** Zachary Kessler  
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**Subject:** [External] Parking Proposal on 72nd St

Dear Mr. May,

Please accept this email as our official response to the parking proposal for 72nd Street in between Milwaukee Ave and Hillcrest Drive as we are unable to attend the virtual meeting on 7/23. We are unequivocally against this proposal. We have resided at 1808 N 72nd St, Wauwatosa, WI 53213 since May of 2004 and have witnessed firsthand how the increased traffic on our street over the years has increased the risk of serious accidents. Cars routinely drive well over the speed limit, notably during the school season with young drivers, presumably from the high school, being chronic offenders. With cars parked on both sides of the street this would further congests the road. These drivers will not slow down, they simply will clip cars or worse. Further, I routinely pick up litter from cars that drive up and down and park on the street. These drivers simply do not care about the neighborhood. Further, the letter provided does not lay out any rationale for this proposal. As such we can think of no logical reason for this proposal outside of complaints from students or teachers about how far they have to walk to school, which would be a poor reason to risk further disruption to our neighborhood. With respect we think this proposal is a terrible idea and clearly does not take into account the views of our block's residents who pay a significant tax rate for the privilege to live on an already busy street.

Sincerely,  
Mike and Kelly Boeder

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Hello

Thank you for answering my email and questions.

I am sending you my thoughts ( about parking) based on 35 years of living on N 72<sup>nd</sup>.

The most memorable accidents and the problems occur at the “bottom” of the street where 72<sup>nd</sup> meets Milwaukee avenue.

A typical fact pattern of these accidents occurs when a vehicle traveling west on Milwaukee ave turns right or north onto 72<sup>nd</sup>.

If that vehicle comes out wide in the turn and crosses the midpoint of the street it creates a problem for s/b traffic on 72<sup>nd</sup>. When cars are parked at the bottom of the street it becomes very dangerous.

The cars turning off Milwaukee see the parked car first and have to move left.

The s/b vehicles then have to quickly to react and recently one jumped the west curb and hit a tree. You can still see the marks on the curb and the denuded bark on the tree.

This type of accident has occurred several times at that location.

I think there should be no parking on the east side of the street for at least the first three houses at the south end of the block.

The middle of the block (for parking) is not a problem other than the constriction caused when cars are parked on both sides of the block. I don't understand why people do this.

There is also a lesser problem at the “top” of the block, which is where most students park.

Again, the problem is caused by w/b drivers (on Hillcrest) who are in a hurry to get to school. The w/b Hillcrest traffic meets the traffic n/b on 72nd and it creates problems for pedestrian students. Be careful how close to that intersection you allow parking as it will affect both pedestrian and vehicle traffic in the mornings.

These problems are most acute in the mornings when school is in session but also occur throughout the year.

Our street, unfortunately, has become a de facto short cut to get the high school and to get to North avenue in general.

I think 73<sup>rd</sup> street is wider and a better street to use for parking for the high school.

I will try to join the meeting via zoom but don't feel the need to speak.

Good luck and thank you for your time.

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