

AGENDA: TSC 3/9/15

ITEM NO. 2: Consider request to establish RESIDENT PARKING ONLY in front of 1109 Ohio Street.

Staff Report:

1. Ohio Street is classified as a "local" street in a residential area, paved approximately 30 feet wide with parking permitted along both sides of the street, and designated as a one-way street southbound.
2. The homes along the west side of the street do not have driveways and do not have alley access.
3. RESIDENT PARKING ONLY was initially installed on a temporary basis on Edgehill Road in May 2013.
4. In September 2014, the restriction was made permanent and an ordinance was approved by the City Commission.
5. City staff is currently working on criteria for consideration of RESIDENT PARKING ONLY; the criteria will be presented to the City Commission for approval; however, it is anticipated that it will be several months before criteria is completed and approved.

MINUTES: TSC 3/9/14

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Public Comments:

John Brewer, 1109 Ohio Street: We've been hoping for several years to get permit parking; we often have to park all the way down at the end of the block, and sometimes the following block; my wife's business requires that she load and unload materials into her car; we need to be as close as possible to our steps.

Commission Comments:

Commissioner Ziegelmeyer asked what time the parking fills-up; Brewer indicated that it is often full all the time due to boarding houses in the area.

Commissioner Storm asked if there would be a problem with other residents parking in the zone if the signs said "Resident Parking Only;" Woosley advised that permits are required to park in the zones.

Commissioner Koprince asked if it was likely that a city-wide policy would be in effect by this fall; Woosley indicated that it was possible, but, unlikely.

Commissioner Hoskinson asked how well the restriction was working on Edgehill Road; Woosley advised that there was a learning curve at the beginning with numerous calls to the city and tickets issued; but, it seems to be working well, now; Commissioner Russell confirmed that very few calls are received, now.

Commissioner Rothrock noted that he was concerned as to whether approving this would conflict with a future city ordinance.

Commissioner Koprince: I don't know of another house in the neighborhood that is an island like this with no off-street parking, no driveway and no chance for either.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DEVLIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HARROD, TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHING RESIDENT PARKING ONLY IN FRONT OF 1109 OHIO STREET, SUBJECT TO ANY FUTURE CITY POLICY; THE MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

David Woosley

From: John Brewer <jbrewer@sunflower.com>
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2013 11:07 AM
To: David Woosley
Subject: Request for protected parking spaces

To: Traffic Safety Commission
From: John & Elaine Brewer, 1109 Ohio St., Lawrence
Date: Aug. 9, 2013

Please consider this email as our request for "Resident Parking Only" signs to protect two parking spaces in front of our home. We have lived at 1109 Ohio since Jan. 1, 1989, and have no access to off-street parking. As you know, this block has no alley. We are basing our request on two considerations:

1. We are aware that protected parking space, of the kind we are requesting, was granted to Steve Watt, on Edgehill Road, earlier this year.
2. Like Steve, we must compete for parking space with dozens of KU students and possibly non-resident students who are simply trying to park as close to campus as possible. When spaces near our house are filled, we may have to park in the 1200 or 1300 block, which can pose a hardship when we have to carry groceries down the street and then up 29 steps. This will become more of a hardship as we advance into elderhood.

We love the Oread neighborhood and have seen significant improvements in the renovation and care of older buildings on our street during our 24 years here. We hope to remain for the foreseeable future and hope you will find a way to grant our request.

Thanks for your time and attention.

John & Elaine Brewer (841-2216)



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