

COLUMBUS TRANSPORTATION AND PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
109 NORTH FRONT STREET, GROUND FLOOR, ROOM 100
TUESDAY, JULY12, 2011
5:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. MINUTES (Correct or Approve) June 14, 2011
- III. ACTION ITEMS
 1. Request to Expand Existing Residential Permit Parking Areas “B” and “P” (Keith Keeran)
 - Both sides of Neil Avenue from 5th Avenue to 6th Avenue
 - West side of Neil Avenue from 6th Avenue to 7th Avenue
 - Both sides of 6th Avenue from the first nameless alley west of Neil Avenue to Neil Avenue
 - South side of 6th Avenue from the first nameless alley east of Neil Avenue to Neil Avenue
 2. Sharon Woods Bike Facility (Nick Popa)
- IV. OLD BUSINESS

Informational Items:

 1. Planning Study Update – Stelzer Road (Patti Austin)
 2. Bicycle Subcommittee Update (Nick Popa)
 3. Valet Parking Policy Final Update (Randy Bowman)
 4. Community Mobility Plan Update
 - Linden Area Transportation Management Plan (Randy Bowman)
- V. NEW BUSINESS
- VI. OTHER BUSINESS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

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TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011
5:00 P.M.

Present were:

Voting Members: Carr, Conte, Moore, Simmons, Stephens, Wood

Public Service Department Representatives: Gallagher, Tilton

Executive Secretary: Austin

Division of Mobility Options Staff: Bowman, Lewis, Popa, Moorhead

Division of Planning and Operations Staff: Wilfong

Guests: Rod Rudinger

Call to Order: 5:10 p.m.

Motion for approval of May 10, 2011, minutes: Simmons; 2nd, Moore. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Stelzer Road - Planning Study Update

Gary Wilfong gave an update on this planning study. He indicated staff will meet with the consultants in about two weeks to review information. A public meeting is scheduled in the area at 6:00 p.m., July 12. Staff is working on invitations and will forward meeting information to commissioners. Once staff receives the alternatives from the consultants, Mr. Wilfong will share with the commissioners the information that will be shared at the July 12 public meeting. After the public meeting, alternatives will be finalized and presented to this Commission at the August meeting. The goal is to complete the study by the end of September, as there are funds available in this year's budget to move into design. Currently there are no construction funds available.

Discussion.

Hamilton Road and Creative Campus Studies

Chairman Stephens inquired about these studies that were introduced at the last Commission meeting.

Mr. Wilfong indicated the studies are still in the pipeline for developing the scope. He indicated staff has a meeting next week to get more information on Creative Campus. He said staff has begun the scoping process for Hamilton Road. It will be a request for proposal for the study. Staff is currently going through the internal City process to develop the scope.

Bicycle Subcommittee Update

Nick Popa gave a PowerPoint presentation and reported as follows on the May 25 Bicycle Subcommittee meeting.

2011 Resurfacing - Bike Plan Preliminary Engineering Report RFP

This is the contract the City has with Stantec. Staff and consultants are looking at six streets. They are: Sharon Woods, Dexter Falls, 11th, Chittenden, King, and Henderson. These streets are being looked at in the order that they will be resurfaced by the City in 2011.

Share the Road Campaign

Part one will engage stakeholder input in developing a communication and education strategy. Staff anticipates the stakeholder meetings will begin later this month.

Covered Bike Parking/Bike Parking Shelters

Staff gave a presentation to the Downtown Commission on May 24. Staff is coordinating installations with the Capital Crossroad SID project. Bids for this project are in two phases. Phase one has ten shelters and phase two has eight. Phase one bids are due June 16 and the Notice to Proceed is scheduled for August 3. The estimated completion of phase one is the end of October. Phase two is currently in design. Staff anticipates bidding it out within the next two to three months.

Bike Racks

Four racks were installed in May and four in April. Twenty-two have been installed so far this year. There are seven in progress.

NACTO Membership

City staff is gathering information for potential membership in this organization. A webinar was held May 25. They have a new innovative bikeway design guide out that staff is looking at.

Upcoming Conferences and Events

The Columbus Bike Fest will be held July 15 and 16.

League Certified Cycling Instructors

The Subcommittee discussed this issue and where to go to get information about classes.

“Parking Lot” Projects

Staff has categorized approximately thirty to forty “Parking Lot” projects resulting from input from the Subcommittee, staff, and public. The Subcommittee has been tasked with prioritizing those projects. Prioritization will be discussed at the next Subcommittee meeting.

Discussion.

Valet Parking Policy Update

Prior to today’s meeting, commissioners were provided with the following documents regarding this issue: Summary of Comments Received with City Responses, Final Draft Valet Parking Rules and Regulations with edits tracked, and a clean version of the Final Draft Valet Parking Rules and Regulations. Copies of all documents are available upon request.

Randy Bowman gave a brief update and reviewed the history of activity involved with updating this policy, as stated in the “Summary of Comments Received with City Responses” document. Mr. Bowman indicated staff is in the position to finalize the policy this month and have it promulgated and in place in July. He will give a final briefing to the Commission at the July 12 meeting. Staff will not ask for a vote or recommendation since there is no code involved. There is a provision in the policy that calls for appeals to be heard by this Commission, not as the final stop, but as a vetting body. Ultimately, the Director of Public Service has the authority to revoke, deny, approve, or suspend a permit.

Discussion.

Commissioners will email any questions or concerns to Randy Bowman.

Linden Area Traffic Management Plan

Randy Bowman gave an update on this traffic management plan. With regard to the Norris Drive features, Mr. Bowman indicated there was a significant reduction in volumes and speeds, but it came with a loss of on-street parking for some residents. Also, there are no sidewalks on Norris Drive. The residents do not appear to be willing to approve an assessment-based sidewalk project, and the City does not have the funds to spend money for sidewalks on Norris. So the City made the decision to remove the medians on Norris Drive. With regard to Maize Road, Mr. Bowman indicated there was also a reduction in speeds and volumes. The City decided to maintain the devices and modify them in place. Staff will provide a second briefing to the North Linden Area Commission on June 16. Staff will also meet with the civic association.

Discussion.

Rod Rudinger, area resident, spoke in opposition to the devices in place on Maize Road. He indicated it forces the cyclists to compete with the traffic for the available space.

School Travel Plans (STP)

Bill Lewis gave a PowerPoint presentation (copies of PowerPoint slides are available upon request) on the City's two school travel plan efforts. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is programmed to help pedestrians travel safely to and from school. In order to receive SRTS funds from ODOT, you need to have an approved school travel plan. The City will apply for funds for the following school travel plans.

Weinland STP

This STP is a direct result of the community mobility planning effort. Staff is focusing on Weinland Elementary. To date, staff has collected some data, talked to the public, and found the number one issue is Summit and 7th. Morning and afternoon pedestrian volumes are being collected at the school, as well as circulation around the area, to determine what the travel patterns are. Staff will finish collecting data this fall, submit the STP to ODOT for approval, and then prepare for the application process next year.

Hilltonia STP

There are five schools included in this STP – Binns, Burroughs, West Mound, Lindbergh, and Hilltonia. Staff has gathered the data, talked with the public, and found the number one issue is the lack of sidewalks on Mound Street. Staff will finish collecting data this fall, submit the STP to ODOT for final approval, and then prepare the application to ODOT this winter.

Discussion.

Sharon Woods Bike Facility

Nick Popa gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on this issue. Copies of slides are available upon request. He reviewed the Bicentennial Bikeways Vision, the benefits of a "complete streets" approach, implementing the "Vision" on Sharon Woods Boulevard, technical findings, and next steps.

The Bicentennial Bikeways Plan recommends bike lanes on Sharon Woods Boulevard from SR-161 to Schrock Road. The roadway, now, has parking on both sides and two travel lanes. The City is proposing to remove a parking lane and replace that space with two bike lanes. The proposal calls for two 10' travel lanes, a 6 ½' bike lane adjacent to the curb, an 8' parking lane, and a 6' bike lane adjacent to the on-street parking. This will remove parking on one side of the street. So the City proposes to alternate on-street parking. The proposal is to have on-street parking on the west side of Sharon Woods Boulevard between SR-161 and Arbor Hill Drive; on the east side of Sharon Woods Boulevard between Arbor Hill Drive and Hearthstone Avenue; and then alternate it back to the west side of Sharon Woods Boulevard between Hearthstone and Schrock.

A public information open house will be held June 22, 2011, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Sharon Woods Boulevard. Approximately 800 invitations have been sent to area residents. Also, on the invitation, people were directed to an on-line survey which is being conducted

between June 6 and June 25. The resurfacing of Sharon Woods Boulevard is planned for early July; pavement markings should occur in mid to late July. Staff will report to this Commission and ask for a recommendation on the project at the July 12 meeting. Project information is available online at <http://bit.ly/SharonWoodsFactSheet> .

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

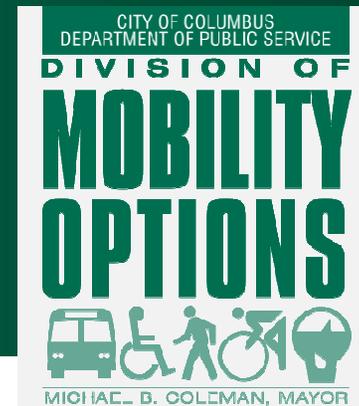
Patricia R. Grove
Recording Secretary

Jeff Stephens
Chairman

Patricia A. Austin
Executive Secretary

THIS MEETING WAS RECORDED; RECORDING IS ON FILE
AT 109 NORTH FRONT STREET

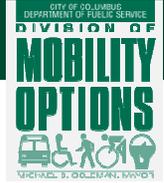
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City of Columbus



Residential District Permit Parking Applications

July 12, 2011

Residential District Permit Parking

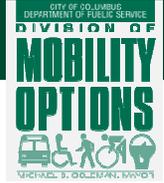


Case No. 20110712 RPP Neil Ave / 6th Ave

Application:

- Petitions received to expand existing residential district permit Area B and Area P
- Requested by David Docktor, Resident at 1288 Neil Ave.
- Requested Restriction: NO PARKING, 8AM-5PM WEEKDAYS, EXCEPT CITY PERMIT B / P
- Petition received May, 2011

Residential District Permit Parking



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Application:

Requested Location

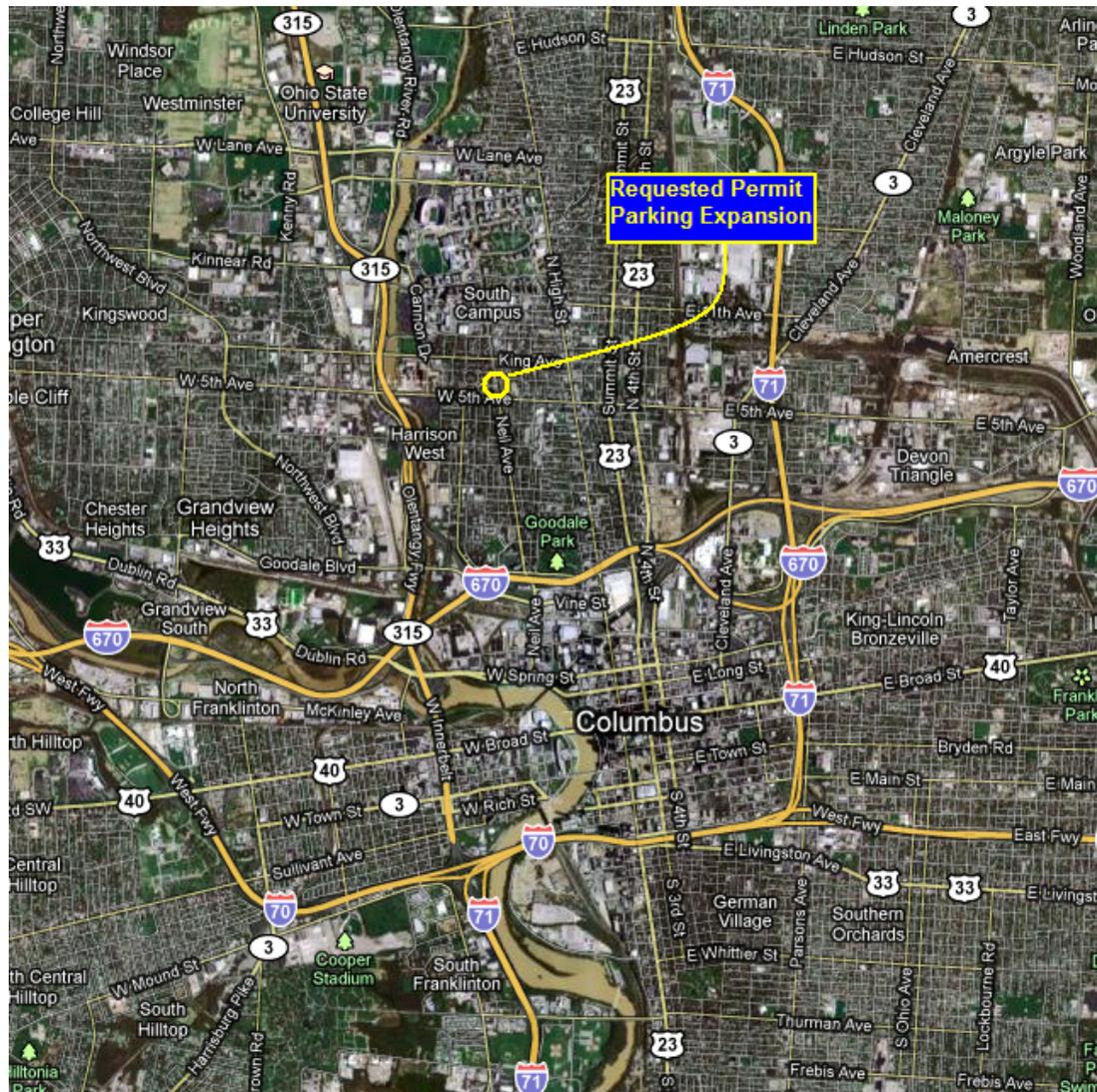
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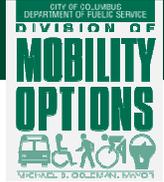
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Location:





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Current Parking Restriction - Street Sweeping, NSAT
Corner Clearance and Bus Stop

Requested Parking Restriction - “No Parking, 8AM-5PM,
Weekdays Except by City Permit B or P”

Residential District Permit Parking



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SIGNATURE CHECK

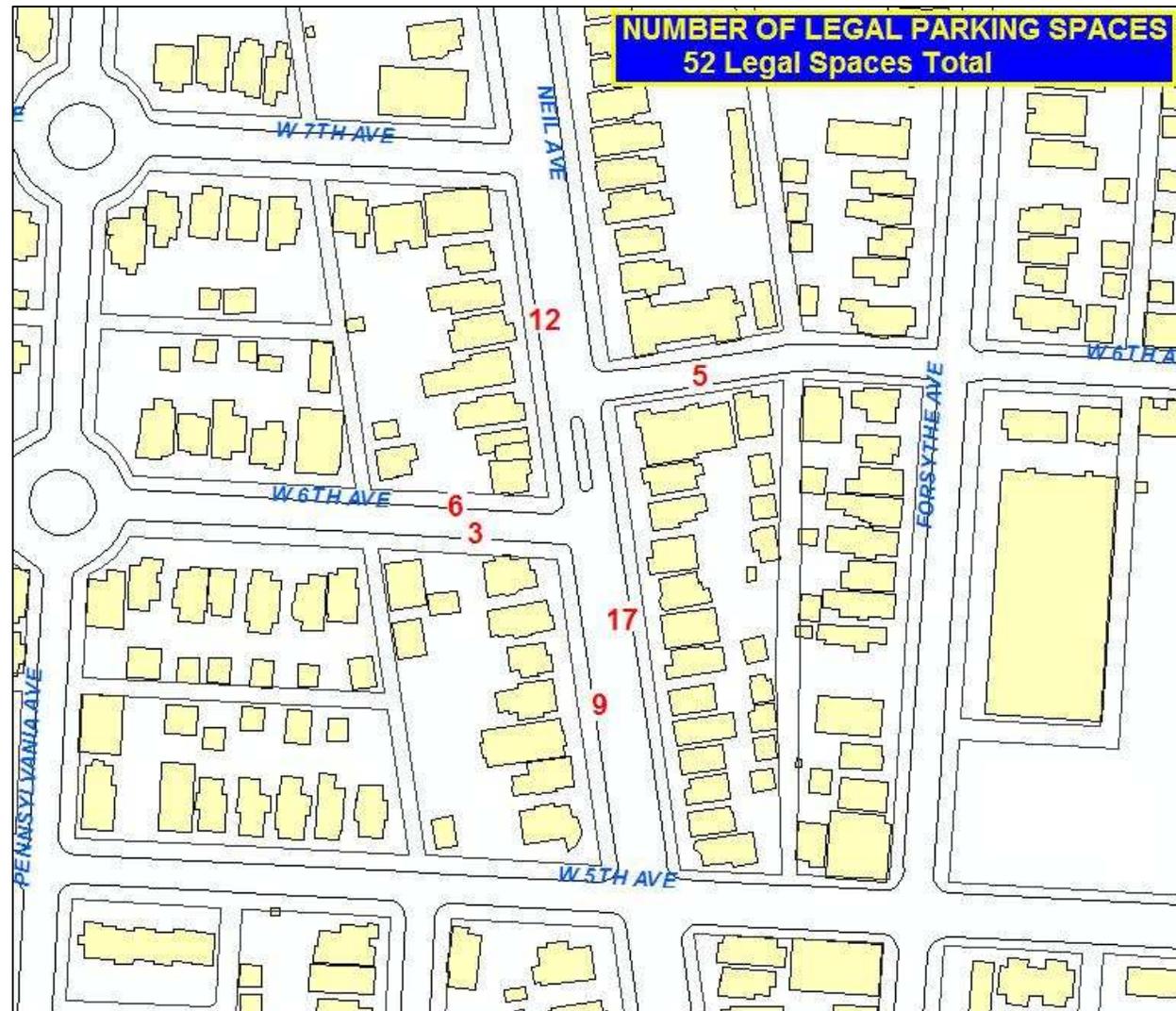
Location	Total Addresses	Valid Signatures Obtained	Percent of Total Addresses	Required Percentage
Both sides of Neil Ave. from 5 th Ave to 6 th Ave	51	33	64.7%	OK >60%
West side of Neil Ave from 6 th Ave to 7 th Ave	18	11	61.1%	OK >60%
Both sides of 6 th Ave from the first Nameless alley west of Neil Ave to Neil Ave	7	5	71.4%	OK >60%
South side of 6 th Ave from Neil Ave to the first nameless alley east of Neil Ave	1	1	100%	OK >60%

Residential District Permit Parking



Case No. 20110712RPP Neil Ave / 6 Ave

Legal Parking Spaces (52)



Residential District Permit Parking



Case No. 20110712RPP Neil Ave / 6 Ave Analysis (Parking Study)

Both sides of Neil Ave. from 5th Ave to 6th Ave

Total Parking paces	26 legal parking spaces		
Date/Time	Thursday, May 12, 2011 @ 3:10 PM	Monday, May 16, 2011 @ 10:30 AM	Tuesday May 17, 2011 @ 11:45 AM
Total Vehicles Observed	25	30	26
Total % Observed	96.2%	115%	100%
Total % Required- 75%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Outside Parkers Observed	23	26	24
Outside % Observed	88.5%	100%	92.3%
Outside % Required- 25%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Residential District Permit Parking



Case No. 20110712RPP Neil Ave / 6 Ave Analysis (Parking Study)

West side of Neil Ave from 6th Ave to 7th Ave

Total Parking Spaces	12 legal parking spaces		
Date/Time	Thursday, May 12, 2011 @ 3:10 PM	Monday, May 16, 2011 @ 10:30 AM	Tuesday, May 17, 2011 @ 11:45 AM
Total Vehicles Observed	13	13	14
Total % Observed	108.3%	108.3%	116.6%
Total % Required- 75%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Outside Parkers Observed	12	12	11
Outside % Observed	100%	100%	91.6%
Outside % Required- 25%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Residential District Permit Parking



Case No. 20110712RPP Neil Ave / 6 Ave Analysis (Parking Study)

Both sides of 6th Ave from the first Nameless alley west of Neil Ave to Neil Ave

Total Parking paces	9 legal parking spaces		
Date/Time	Thursday, May 12, 2011 @ 3:10 PM	Monday, May 16, 2011 @ 10:30 AM	Tuesday, May 17 2011 @ 11:45 AM
Total Vehicles Observed	14	12	10
Total % Observed	155.5%	133%	111.1%
Total % Required- 75%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Outside Parkers Observed	13	10	8
Outside % Observed	144.44%	111%	88.8%
Outside % Required- 25%	Meets	Meets	Meets

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South side of 6th Ave from Neil Ave to the first nameless alley east of Neil Ave

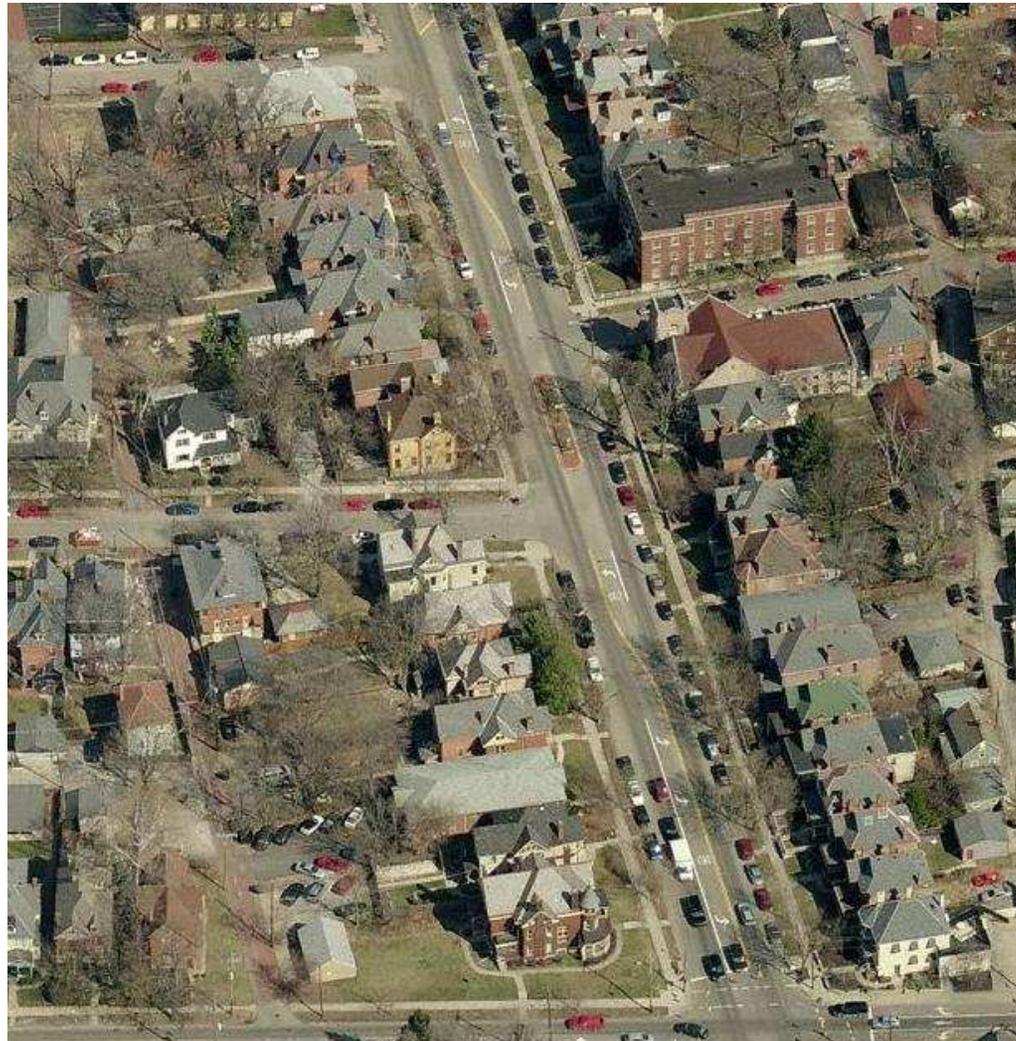
Total Parking paces	5 legal parking spaces		
Date/Time	Thursday, May 12, 2011 @ 3:10 PM	Monday, May 16, 2011 @ 10:30 AM	Tuesday May 17, 2011 @ 11:45 AM
Total Vehicles Observed	8	7	6
Total % Observed	160%	140%	120%
Total % Required- 75%	Meets	Meets	Meets

Outside Parkers Observed	8	7	6
Outside % Observed	160%	140%	120%
Outside % Required- 25%	Meets	Meets	Meets

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Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval of the request