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To: David Woosley
Subject: RE: No Parking on Brett Drive

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From: A Chimp [mailto:kevin@achimp.com]
Sent: Sunday, November 07, 2010 7:31 PM
To: Angie Powell
Subject: RE: No Parking on Brett Drive

We are writing to oppose restricting parking along the North side of Brett Drive between Berwick Way and Haversham Drive/Stowe Drive. We wish to have our comments entered into the record and request that you take them into consideration when making your decision.

In the memorandum from November 3, 2010, regarding the Traffic Safety Commission meeting on October 4, 2010, it was stated by TSC that "...this was a band-aid approach, but were concerned about emergency services." While the TSC is justified in focusing primary attention to emergency services, that concern is unsubstantiated. In 2010, during the two times that emergency services were dispatched and the one time that there was a traffic incident, there were no reports of any issue with parked vehicles.

The individual neighbors that brought the request forward stated, "...this is not the best solution, but they don't see any other option..." We disagree that there are no other options. Furthermore, no options have been explored beyond bringing this issue to the City Commission. The evidence of this is clear as the city notice of the "no parking" request was the first that any of the neighborhood, beyond those that made the request, had heard.

The requesters also stated, "...the problem was caused by two single- family homes that had been turned into rentals..." We live next door to one of the rental properties cited. Since receiving the notice, the contribution they made to the on-street parking has been significantly reduced and continues to improve. They sold a enclosed trailer they owned and have been organizing their garage to reduce their use of on-street parking.

The second rental property cited changed renters at the beginning of this school year which has also reduced the number of vehicles consistently using on-street parking. The tenants prior to them were not in compliance with the city rental code policies and were the primary reason that there were issues with snowplows getting through during the winter time.

The neighbors that are opposed to the "no parking" have established a petition and would like to submit it at the upcoming meeting. The petition indicates that the majority of the neighborhood disagrees with the need and desire to establish "no parking" on the North side of Brett Drive.

Angie and Kevin Powell
Owners and residents:
2313 Brett Drive