

## **AGENDA – TSC 10/4/10**

ITEM NO. 3: Consider request to establish NO PARKING along the north side of Brett Drive between Berwick Way & Haversham Drive/Stowe Drive.

Facts:

1. Brett Drive is classified as a “local” residential street and is paved 26 feet wide.
2. Parking is currently permitted along both side of Brett Drive.

## **MINUTES – TSC 10/4/10**

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David Woosley presented the information provided in the staff report and noted the receipt of an e-mail from one of the residents supporting the request.

Public comment:

Jerry Karasek, 2324 Brett Drive: The concerns we have are snowplows not being able to plow the street and delivery vehicles not being able to get through. Last Christmas, it took four days before a snowplow could get down one side of the street. We are at the last resort; we have been working with city staff concerning rental property in the area. There have been several instances of vehicles being backed into; with vehicles parked right up against the driveways, as well as across the street, it is next to impossible to get out. The rental properties are the problem; there have been as many as three cars in each driveway and eight cars parked on the street at one time. The reason I requested the north side is because the sidewalk is on the south side of the street and that is the side where the rental properties are; I think they should park in front of their own homes. We are working with code enforcement concerning the number of unrelated individuals living in the rental properties, but in the meantime, we are requesting the parking restriction. I really don't want to do this, but I don't see any other option right now.

Elaine Penny, 2320 Brett Drive: Recently they have started parking in front of the fire hydrant in front of my house; I don't know that establishing the parking restriction will change their behavior, and it may inconvenience us as much as anyone, but at least it will help us back out into the street. We appreciate any help we can get.

Dawn Crump, 2309 Brett Drive: We just moved here this summer; where we lived before we had only one side of the street parking and it wasn't any better, it was actually worse; neighbors were fighting over parking spaces and leaving nasty notes on cars and damaging cars. If this is established, the renters will probably be parking in front of our house, so we won't be able to use it. I would suggest no parking at certain times.

Dennis Crump, 2309 Brett Drive: I think restricting the parking puts a band-aid on the real situation. I am concerned about how far away a guest of ours would have to park. I don't think it is appropriate for this street.

Betty Alderson, 1920 Maine Street: I do not live in this neighborhood, but I have a great deal of empathy and sympathy for what they're doing. I certainly support their request to have parking taken-off one side of the street; they need to be able to get in-and-out of their driveways. This points-out that we do not have a parking regulation for rentals in single-family neighborhoods; we do in multi-family neighborhoods; a certain number of off-street parking spaces are required for tenants. That is not true in single-family areas and it is a problem all over town.

Commissioner Rothrock: I know it's a band-aid approach, but I was out there today and parked opposite another vehicle and a large van had trouble getting through.

Commissioner Devlin: I am concerned about emergency services if this is a continual problem.

Commissioner Harden: I was thinking about giving the city 90 days to determine if there is a zoning violation and handle it that way with a parking restriction as a fallback position.

Commissioner Heckler: This isn't going to fix the problem, but I would support removing parking from one side of the street, mainly because of emergency vehicle concerns.

Commissioner Boley: I think it's imperative that emergency vehicles be able to get through, that is a top priority, and I don't see anything else happening right away to make that possible.

Commissioner Woods: I'm against this band-aid approach; I don't think it will do any good.

Commissioner Miller: What about tabling this until the neighborhood has had a chance to have a neighborhood meeting? Having said that, I feel that emergency vehicles take precedence.

Commissioner Rothrock: My concern is if we delay this, it could be next spring before any action was taken.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARDEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER  
BOLEY, TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHING NO PARKING ALONG THE  
NORTH SIDE OF BRETT DRIVE BETWEEN BERWICK WAY &  
HAVERSHAM DRIVE/STOWE DRIVE; THE MOTION CARRIED 6-1  
(Woods: This is a band-aid approach; it is not going to help).

## David Woosley

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**From:** Jerry Karasek [JKARASEK@kumc.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 8:23 AM  
**To:** David Woosley  
**Subject:** No Parking on Brett Drive

I would like to start the process of formally requesting NO PARKING on the North side of Brett Drive. If you look in the two subdivisions north of Peterson Road, you'll see that almost every street has no parking on one side of the street.....except for Brett Drive. This was never a problem before, as our street was all single families. However, in the past two years several houses (2321 and 2325 Brett) have become rentals with quite a few renters. We now have these two houses parking multiple vehicles on both sides of the street. In the past year, there have been no less than 3 occasions where cars have been backed into because of this parking situation. In addition, our streets were not able to be plowed effectively last winter because of cars on both sides of the street (ie...the plows couldn't get through).

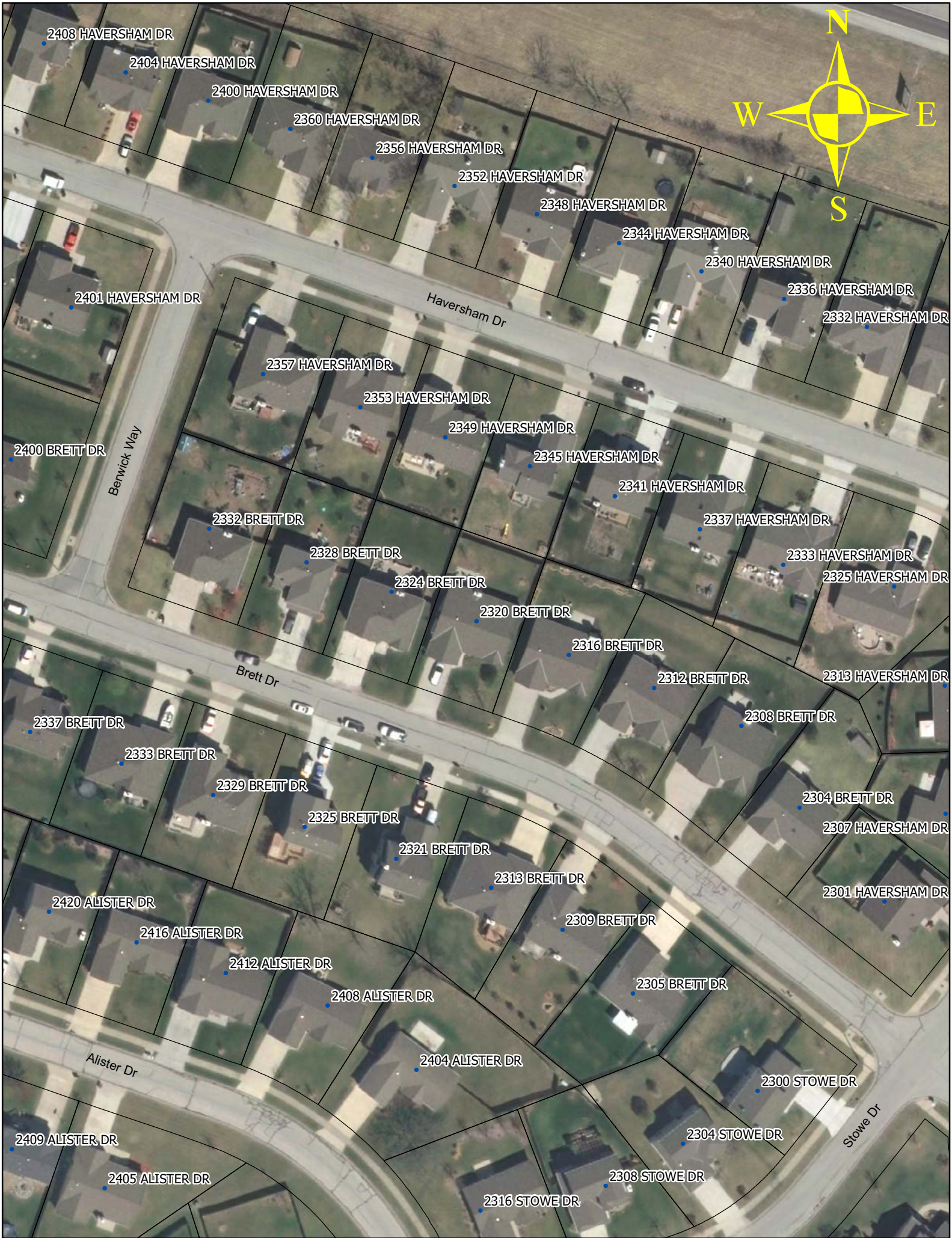
I have already talked with Elaine Penny (2320 Brett Dr.) and Tony Sailor (2328 Brett Dr.) and we are all in support of there being NO PARKING on the North side of the street. They have also talked with several other neighbors who agree with this request. There is a fire hydrant already on the North side of Brett drive, and all of the cars parking in the street live on the south side (as stated above). For these reasons, I feel the no parking should be on the North side of the street, and the renters should park in front of their own house.

Please feel free to contact me if you need any additional information.

Thank You!

Jerry Karasek  
2324 Brett Drive  
cell - 218-1906





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**David Woosley**

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**From:** David Hamby [davidh@bgcons.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 04, 2010 10:30 AM  
**To:** David Woosley  
**Subject:** Traffic Safety Commission Item #3 - October 4, 2010 Agenda

David,

Please forward this email to the members of the Traffic Safety Commission with my comments. Thank you.

Traffic Safety Commission Members:

My name is David Hamby and I live at 2329 Brett Drive. I am unable to attend the meeting tonight. As a former member of the Traffic Safety Commission I realize public comment is important in making these type of decisions. I am writing in support of the request made by Jerry Karasek to remove parking along the north side of Brett Drive. When vehicles are parked along both sides of Brett Drive, it is impossible for two vehicles to pass and difficult for one vehicle to proceed safely. Emergency vehicles would have a difficult (maybe even impossible) time accessing nearby properties in time of emergencies. Although the rental properties in the neighborhood are not in your jurisdiction, the residents have noticed a difference in the amount of on street parking since these single family homes have been converted to rental units. Please consider my comments when making a decision on this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

**David Hamby, P.E.**

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