# **Bobbie Walthall**

**To:** David L. Corliss; Jonathan Douglass **Subject:** RE: 1000 block Vermont parking

From: Debbie Flint [mailto:debbieflint62@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2011 1:45 PM

To: David L. Corliss

Subject: 1000 block Vermont parking

My name is Debbie Flint owner of Creative Style Hair Salon 10331/2 Mass. I am working until 7pm tonight and won't be able to attend the meeting. I thought the parking lot behind me is for customers for downtown and the parking garage on New Hampshire was more for employees of downtown businesses? Maybe the new business moving in that wants to take up the customer parking lot could have some sort of shuttle that will take them from the parking garage to their work place if they don't want to walk a block. I feel this will effect my business by making it more difficult for customers to find parking close to my business and I feel the parking garage is being highly under utilized by the down town employees. I hope somehow we can reach a compromise . Thank you Debbie Flint

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To: David L. Corliss Subject: RE: parking meeting

From: david p. bell [mailto:sluggobob@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2011 5:03 AM

To: David L. Corliss Subject: parking meeting

#### Mr Corliss,

I work in 1000 block of Massachusetts and would like to comment on the proposed changes to nearby parking rules. I will be working on Tuesday May 3, and therefore unable to attend the meeting dedicated to this issue. I have worked downtown for almost nine years and I have always understood the city's position on parking to be that employees of downtown businesses should not expect doorside parking, be willing to park in lesser used lots and walk a few blocks, and leave prime parking for our customers. So I don't understand why the city now seems suddenly willing to change that policy simply to accommodate the employees of a new downtown business. None of the proposed changes can possibly provide for seventy-five new employees, plus their clients, plus service and delivery vehicles. With or without any changes, I think we can expect the parking lot at the Rec Center on 11th to be effectively unavailable to anybody besides the earliest arriving Treanor employees. I might also point out that the 2 hour lot in the 1000 block of Vermont serves not only our customers, but also many service vehicles. We all have plumbers, exterminators, electricians, etc., and these people often must make frequent visits to their trucks for tools and supplies. It is not practical to ask them to park, for example at the parking garage and make multiple trips on foot with heavy tools. The 2 hour lot keeps these service people from having to park on Massachusetts, keeping those spaces available for our customers. I strongly urge you keep the parking regulations as they are and tell Treanor that they should either include appropriate parking within their own footprint, or at least to expect no special treatment for their employees.

David P. Bell employed at Harbour Lights 1031 Massachusetts

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To: David L. Corliss

Subject: RE: 1014 Massachusetts Owner

**From:** Sonja Wood, ANFI, CFM [mailto:sonja.wood1@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, April 29, 2011 2:51 PM

**To:** David L. Corliss **Cc:** Tom Wood

Subject: 1014 Massachusetts Owner

Dave,

Thank you for the letter notifying us of the public meeting regarding additional parking in the 1000 block of Vermont. Tom and I will both be out of town on business travel on May 3, 2011.

We would like to encourage a positive response to additional parking in a long term environment within the 1000 block of Vermont. Parking and congestion continue to be a tough issue in downtown Lawrence. If we're able to encourage members of the public along with downtown employees to park in these longer term spaces it may assist in reducing congestion along with parking on Mass Street.

We appreciate this being brought up for discussion. And while sometimes folks get pretty excited about issues such as parking and congestion, my two cents say, "such a problem to have!" We have a lively and thriving downtown environment.

Please continue to stay in touch with us regarding this issue. Thanks, again. Sonja & Tom Wood 785.331.9828

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David L. Corliss City Manager P.O. Box 708 Lawrence, KS 66044-0708

RE: 1000 Block Vermont Parking

Dear Mr. Corliss,

My name is Jaime Gillman and I am the Assistant Branch Manager at the Capitol Federal office at 1046 Vermont Street. We have received your notice inviting businesses in the 1000 Block of Vermont to attend a public meeting to discuss converting the current 2-hour lot to a 10-hour lot.

In lieu of attending the meeting I am, on behalf of Capitol Federal, sending a letter with our support to convert the entire current 2-hour lot to a 10-hour lot. Capitol Federal each year purchases 8-10 parking passes from the City to allow our staff to park in the 10-hour lot adjacent to the Community Building. Parking in this lot requires our employees to cross a very busy 11<sup>th</sup> Street everyday making the lot in question a safer option for our employees to park.

Since this is such a busy intersection our manager approached the Traffic Safety Commission to request a marked crosswalk or some sort of traffic calming device to slow traffic and make it safer for pedestrians in the area. It was explained that a crosswalk only puts targets on pedestrians. In a crosswalk, pedestrians feel safe to enter the intersections as oncoming vehicles will slow to allow the pedestrian to cross. Being a heavily traveled intersection vehicles would not be accustom to stopping and therefore someone would get injured.



Furthermore, during the winter snows the streets are cleared by pushing the snow to the center of the streets. These rather large snow mountains also make it difficult to cross 11<sup>th</sup> Street from the parking lot. Again, the lot in question for conversion would be a safer option for our employees.

In closing, for reasons given above, Capitol Federal supports the conversion of the entire current 2-hour lot to a 10-hour lot.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jaime Gillman

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