

AGENDA: TSC 4/7/14

ITEM NO. 2: Consider request to establish NO PARKING along the east and south sides of Raintree Place and along the west side of Valley Lane.

Staff Report:

1. Raintree Place and Valley Lane are both classified as "local" street in a residential area, paved approximately 26 feet wide.
2. Parking is currently prohibited 8AM-4PM MON-FRI along the west and north sides of Raintree Place and along the west side of Valley Lane adjacent to the dumpsters at the intersection with Raintree Place.
3. If the request is approved, it is recommended that the existing restriction on Raintree Place be rescinded.

MINUTES: TSC 4/7/14

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report and noted receipt of an e-mail in support of the request.

Public Comment:

James King, Fire & Medical Department: We recently had a crew respond to an incident in this neighborhood; parking was occurring on both sides of the street and the truck could not access the street; even though this is a residential street, it is also a fire access road; if parking is restricted as requested, we will have adequate room to maneuver our apparatus and in the event of an emergency, be able to set-up and operate safely.

Guy Dresser, 1325 Raintree Place: I believe it is a good idea to remove parking from one side of Raintree Place and Valley Lane 24 hours a day; but, I would prefer to have it on the inside of the streets instead of on the outside; when I back out of my driveway, it is difficult with vehicles parked on the north side of the street.

Victor Frost, 1313 Raintree Place: I would speak in favor of the request; one side of the street should have parking open 24 hours a day.

Kistie Brunsell, 1304 Raintree Place: I would prefer parking at least on one side of the street.

Nilou Colistra, 1312 Raintree Place: I prefer parking on one side, at least available to residents; parking on one side is a natural calming effect for traffic.

Gayle Matchett, 1300 Raintree Place: If this is put in place, I would suggest that it be monitored.

Kim Manz, 1309 Raintree Place: I would like to see parking stay on one side of the street; my concern is that if all the parking is taken from Valley Lane, those cars will be on our street.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Rothrock: This is the first request from the Fire Department since I've been here; my strong inclination is to approve it as requested, with a clarification of the "eye-brow" area.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HARDEN, TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHING NO PARKING ALONG THE EAST AND SOUTH SIDES OF RAINTREE PLACE AND ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF VALLEY LANE; THE MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

David Woosley

From: James King
Sent: Friday, March 07, 2014 1:03 PM
To: David Woosley
Cc: Mark Bradford; Charles Soules
Subject: No Parking Valley Lane / Raintree Place
Attachments: Raintree Subdivision Aerial View_lots 8-13.pdf

Good Afternoon David,

One of our crews from Station 5 was working in the Raintree neighborhood and found that parking conditions along Valley Lane and Raintree Place did not allow their apparatus to negotiate the street. There were vehicles parked on both sides and in the radius of the two southern curves. Signage indicates No Parking between the hours of 8 am – 4 pm Monday through Friday.

I have attached an aerial view of the subdivision from City GIS that shows vehicles parked on both sides of the street. While this photo does not allow the day of the week to be determined it does allow measurement between vehicles of roughly 11' which is a tight fit for our apparatus.

The 2012 International Fire Code as adopted by the City requires any fire apparatus access road to be a minimum of 16,' or, 26' when hydrants are present. This street was measured at 26' curb to curb. Appendix D of the IFC provides that roads 20' to 26' wide may be signed no parking on both sides. I am proposing that the street be signed no parking on the outside curbline and both sides of the curves 24 hours per day to provide an acceptable lane width for apparatus to maneuver in and through the area and set up for operations if necessary.

Please let me if I may provide additional information to support this request.

Respectfully,

James King
Fire Marshal

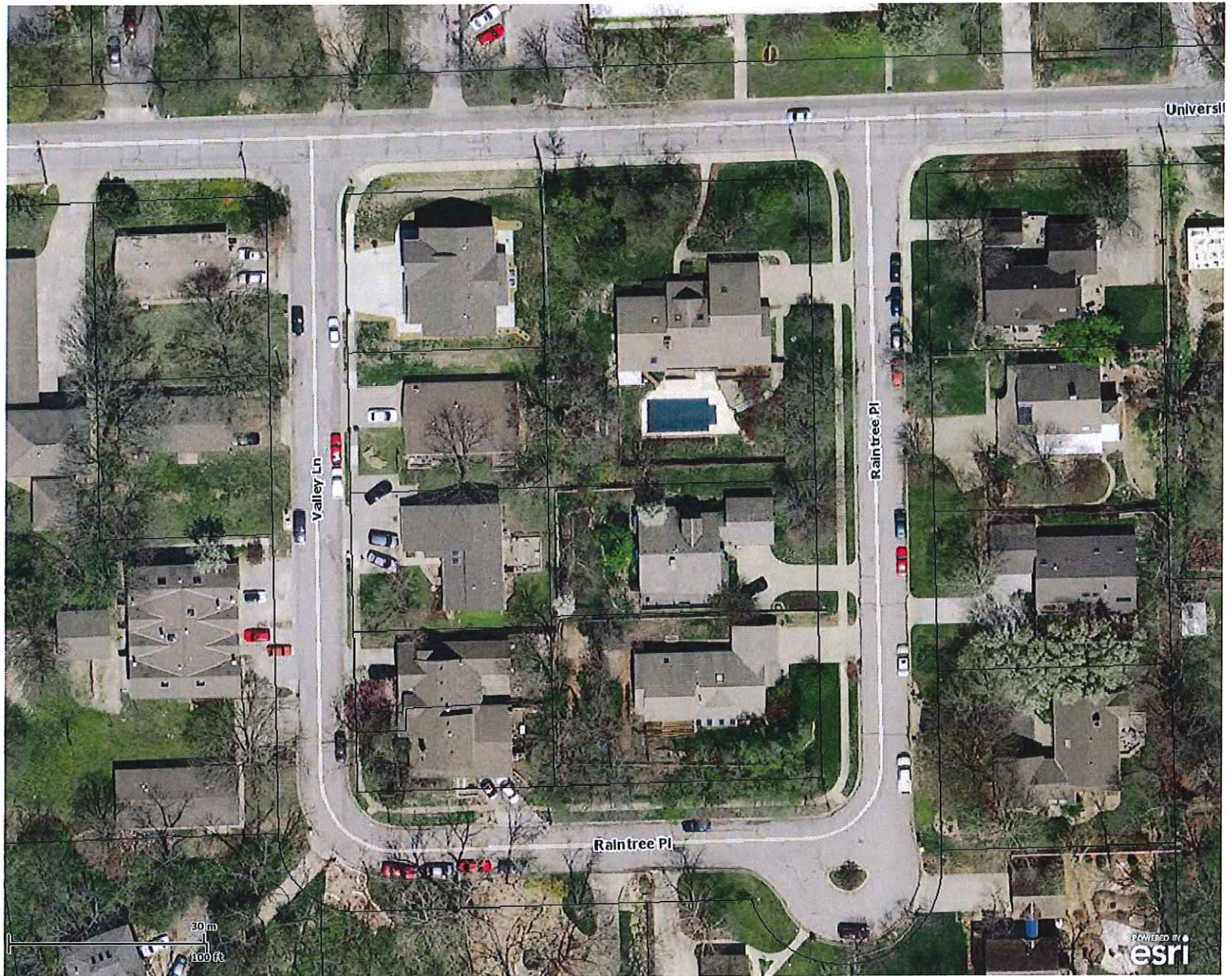


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Raintree Subdivision

Lots 8-13



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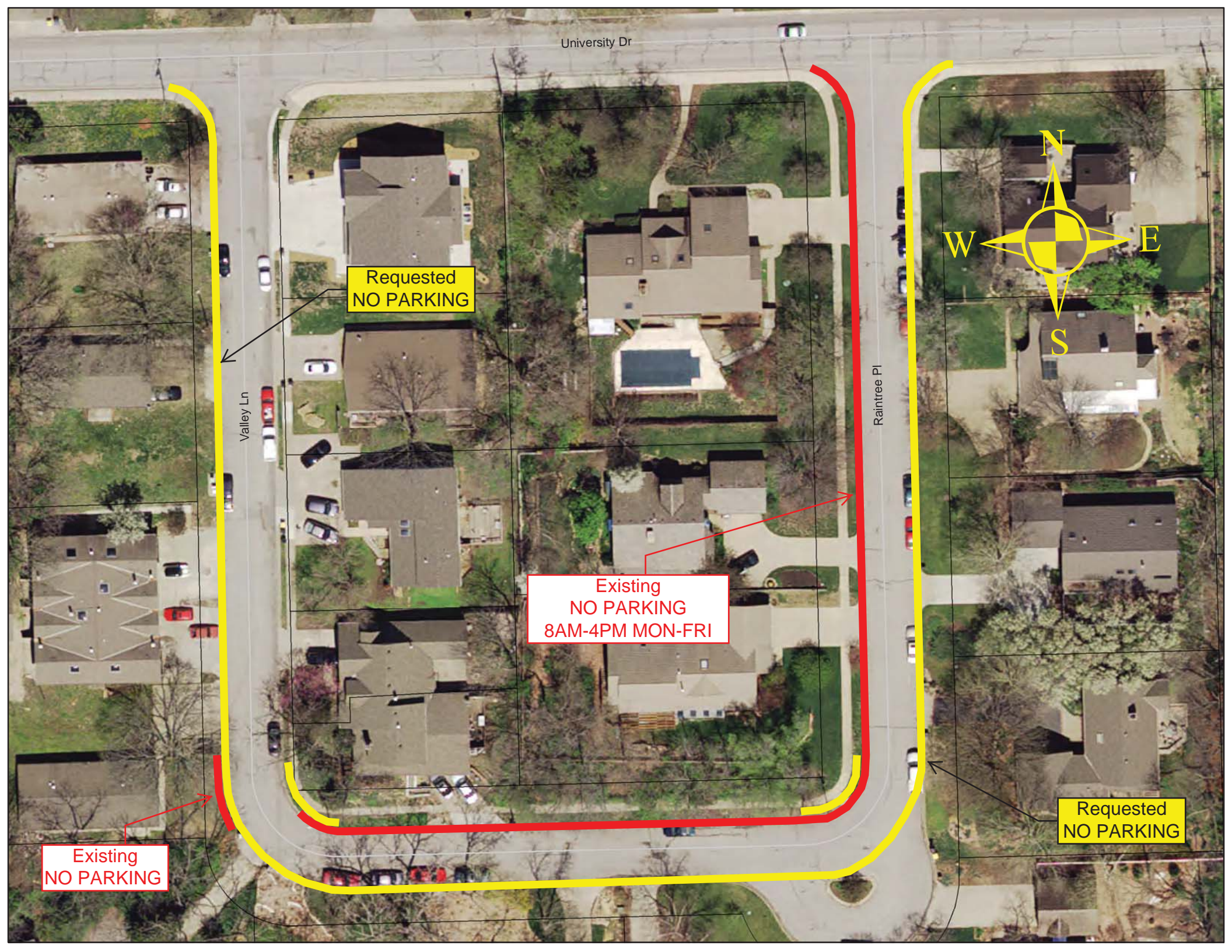
Valley Ln

Raintree Pl

Existing
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8AM-4PM MON-FRI

Existing
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Requested
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David Woosley

From: Nigro, Jennifer <jnigro@ku.edu>
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 4:10 PM
To: David Woosley
Subject: Traffic Safety Item No. 2

To Whom it May Concern:

I strongly approve of the implementation of Item No. 2: Consider request to establish NO PARKING along the east and south sides of Raintree Place and along the west side of Valley Lane.

Respectfully,
Jean Van Lew
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