

AGENDA: TC 12/4/17

ITEM NO. 6:

Goodell Court (No Parking)

Recommend denial of no parking on Goodell Court

MINUTES: TC 12/4/17

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Staff Presentation:

Amanda Sahin presented a request for no parking on one side of Goodell Court. Staff recommends denial of the request.

Moved by Commissioner Paden, second by Commissioner Storm, to deny the no parking request for one side of the street on Goodell Court.

The motion carried, 9-0.

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Public Works Department

TO: David Cronin, City Engineer
FROM: Amanda Sahin, Transportation Engineer
DATE: Nov 16, 2017
RE: Agenda Item for Transportation Commission 12/4/2017:
No Parking Request – Goodell Court

Background

In November 2017, the Transportation Commission received a request to restrict parking to one side of the street on Goodell Court. The requesting resident cited excessive street parking and delays in travel due to the road being blocked by delivery vehicles and busses. A site visit and aerial images attached show parking usage along the street.

Details

Goodell Court						
Street Classification	Posted Speed Limit	Safe Route to School	Bus / Transit Route	Douglas County Bikeway Plan Route	Sidewalk along Street	Street Cross Section/Pavement Data
Local	30 mph	No	No	No	Yes, South Side	Curb and Gutter, 26 foot width, residential area

Staff has been out to the location multiple times and has also received pictures from the requestor. The pictures (attached) appear to show sufficient width to accommodate parking on both sides of the street and a travel lane wide enough for emergency vehicles. Staff does not recommend limiting parking to one side of the street except in cases where there is insufficient width for emergency vehicles to pass, there are long stretches of roadway with cars parked on both sides, or there are site distance concerns. If the request is approved city staff would recommend parking to be restricted on the same side of the street as the sidewalk to increase pedestrian visibility.

Action Request

Staff recommends denying the request to restrict parking to one side of the street on Goodell Court.

Attachments:

Location map and pictures of existing parking
Request Email
Notification Letter
Resident Responses

No Parking Request – Goodell Court

LOCATION



No Parking Request – Goodell Court



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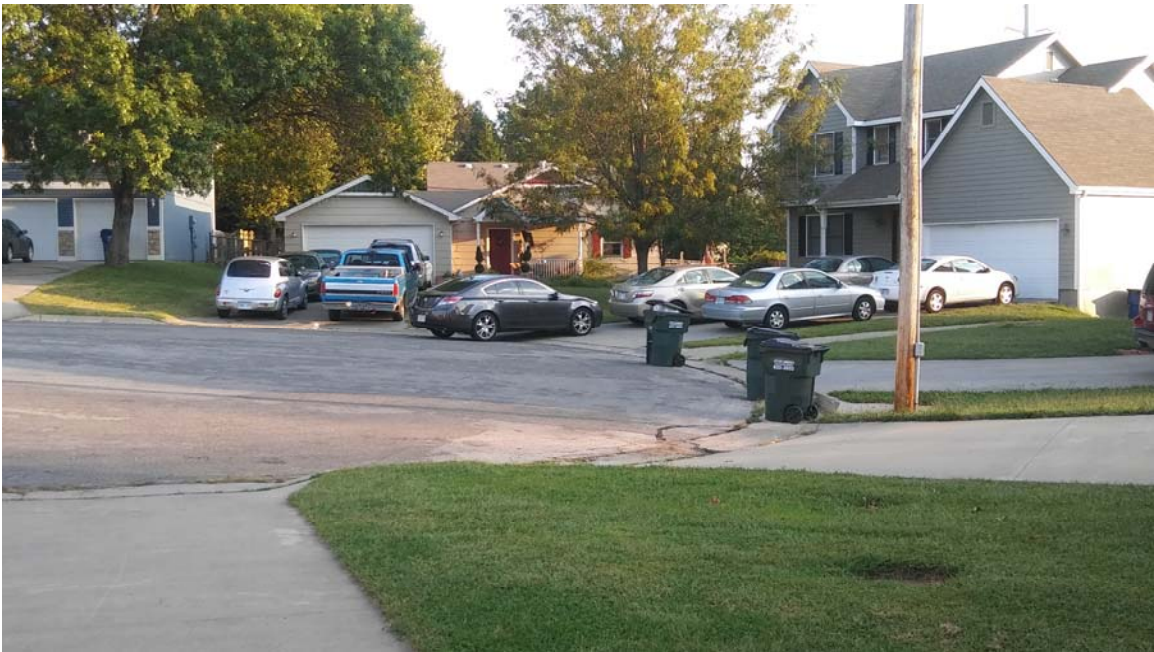


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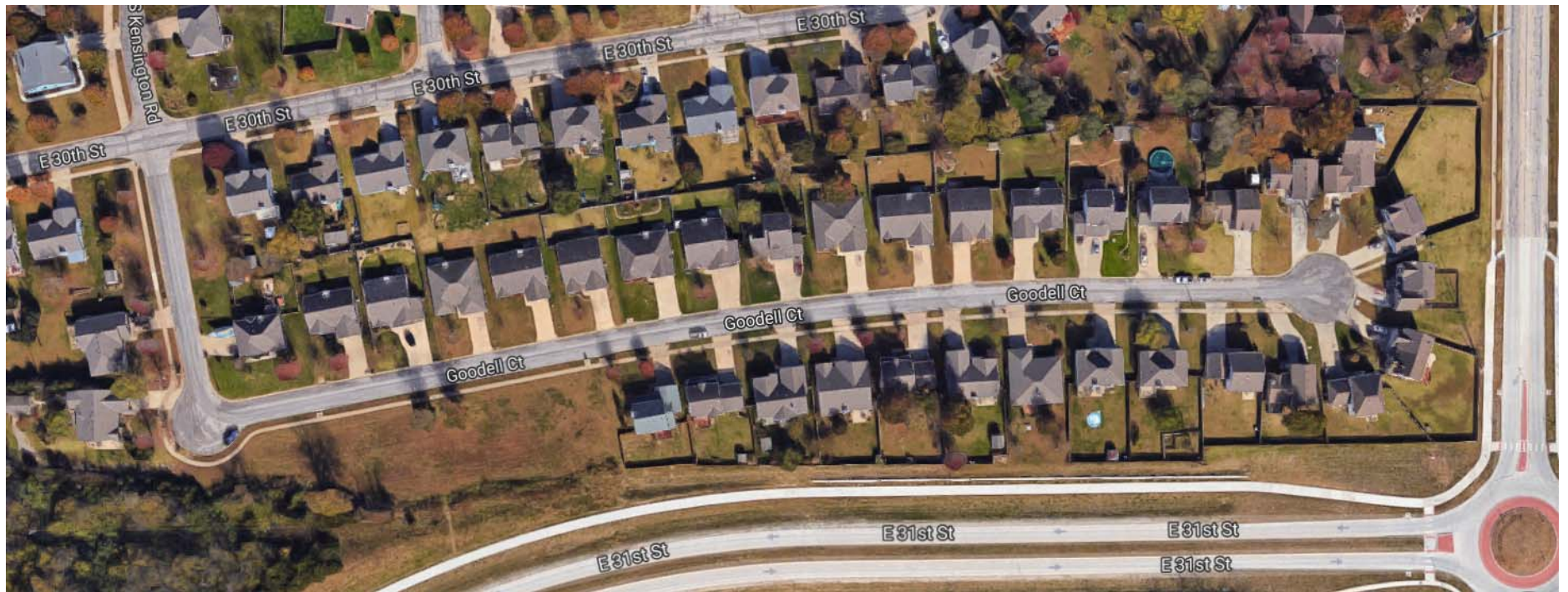


From requestor (unknown day and time)



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No Parking Request – Goodell Court



No Parking Request – Goodell Court

Amanda Sahin

From: Michelle Mcburney <mcburney.michelle5@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Re: Goodell court
Attachments: 092.jpg; 093.jpg; september 2017 070.jpg; september 2017 069.jpg; september 2017 073.jpg; september 2017 120.jpg; september 2017 119.jpg; september 2017 124.jpg; september 2017 122.jpg; october 2017 065.jpg; october 2017 065.jpg; 2017 family 347.jpg

My address is Goodell court. My concerns are the parking on both sides of Goodell court the parking is usually all the way down the street car to car on both sides and the people living in 2021 and 2016 usually fill there driveways packed full and then also park three or more vehicles on the street. Now the picture of the yellow house has a lawn service and the one on the right of it has a lawn service. the house on the right of the yellow house is 2104 and i think the yellow house is 2001 . the yellow house took down there house numbers while painting this summer . but they have a lot of traffic. now the two houses across the street from them have a lot of traffic to . the one directly across from the yellow house has a machine shop is his garage. so he always has more than just his cars parked in his drive way and around it. Then house to the left of that house throws a lot of house parties. When the do this they come and knock on everyone door and let us know and then fill the whole street with guest cars. As well as when they don't have parties they park a white honda on the street at all times and only move it when the tires get marked . same with 2104 that white truck you see on the street in front of there house never moves. plenty of room in there driveway but they choose not to use it. 2116 is also a mechanic and he likes to haul tons of cars to our block weekly and leave them parked on the street till 5pm everyday or sometimes 3 or 4 days at a time,, the red truck that is in the picture stays on this block and this week has been in the same spot going on four days now. Now brain made him remove all the non plated and non running cars finally last week from his drive way but this week he brought on back . Its the blue jeep in the driveway parked reversed. And then he has a silver car that keeps blocking our mail boxes every week. 2021 has calmed down on the illegal parking but now fills his driveway and at least 2 to 3 cars on the street. I will be sending you some pictures. if you need help deciphering them please let me know. Also i spoke to brain after we hung up and he said parking on one side of the street is ok . that he had a neighbor do it on his block. Alot of the heavy traffic is coming from youth drivers and ku students. There are a lot of kids on this block and if we don t eliminate the blind spots I feel someone will get hurt, Also with the winter rolling up .if someone was to slide in there car it is guaranteed a car will get hit.

On Fri, Nov 3, 2017 at 4:53 PM, Amanda Sahin <asahin@lawrenceks.org> wrote:

Thank you Ms. Mcburney. Can you please summarize what you are requesting and also provide your address for our records.

Thank you

Amanda Sahin, P.E., *Transportation Engineer*

Public Works Department - [City of Lawrence, KS](#)

PO Box 708, Lawrence, KS 66044

office: [\(785\) 832-3034](tel:7858323034)

From: Michelle Mcburney [mailto:mcburney.michelle5@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, November 02, 2017 2:12 PM

To: Amanda Sahin <asahin@lawrenceks.org>

Subject: Goodell court

This is Michelle Mcburney and I just spoke with you on the issues on goodell court. I will be taking pictures for you over the next week. the pictures I have sent to brain in the pass was addressing 2116 and [2120 goodell ct.](#) these issues have been fixed. If you check the police records for goodell they were out several times when officers came out to mark tires of cars that never move. I'll be in touch.



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November 13, 2017

Re: Goodell Court, No Parking Request

Dear Property Owner and/or Resident:

The City of Lawrence has received correspondence from an area resident requesting No Parking on one side of Goodell Court. Since you own and/or reside at property in the area, we would like to receive your input before a recommendation is made to the City Commission on these requests.

This item will be included in the December Transportation Commission meeting scheduled for **December 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** in the City Hall Commission Room. Public is welcome to attend and provide input. Additional information on this item will be available prior to the meeting at: <https://lawrenceks.org/boards/transportation-commission/> under the Agendas and Minutes tab. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please email me at the address below with comments and your comments will be posted and passed on to the Transportation Commission before the meeting.

This meeting purpose is to receive a recommendation from the Transportation Commission to pass on to the City Commission for approval. Official approval or denial of these requests will occur at a future City Commission meeting.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at (785) 832-3034 or asahin@lawrenceks.org.

Sincerely,

Amanda Sahin, P.E.
Transportation Engineer



Amanda Sahin

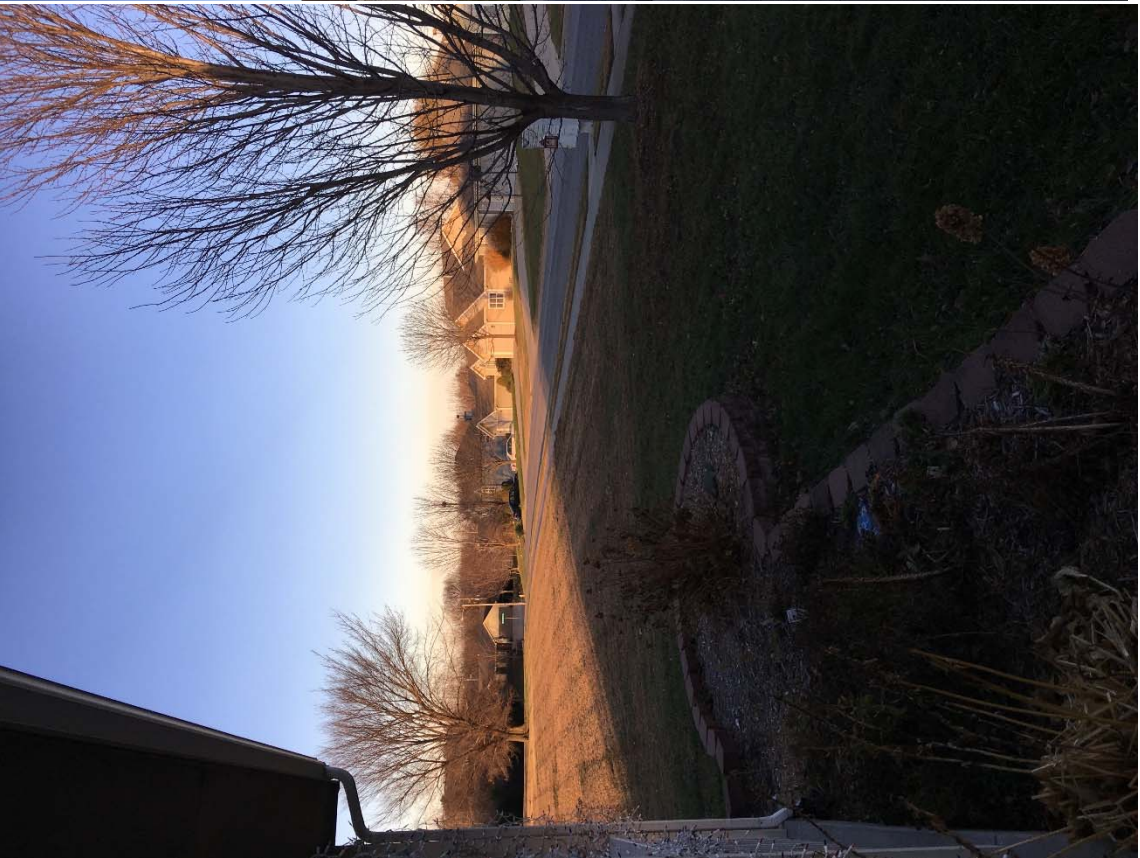
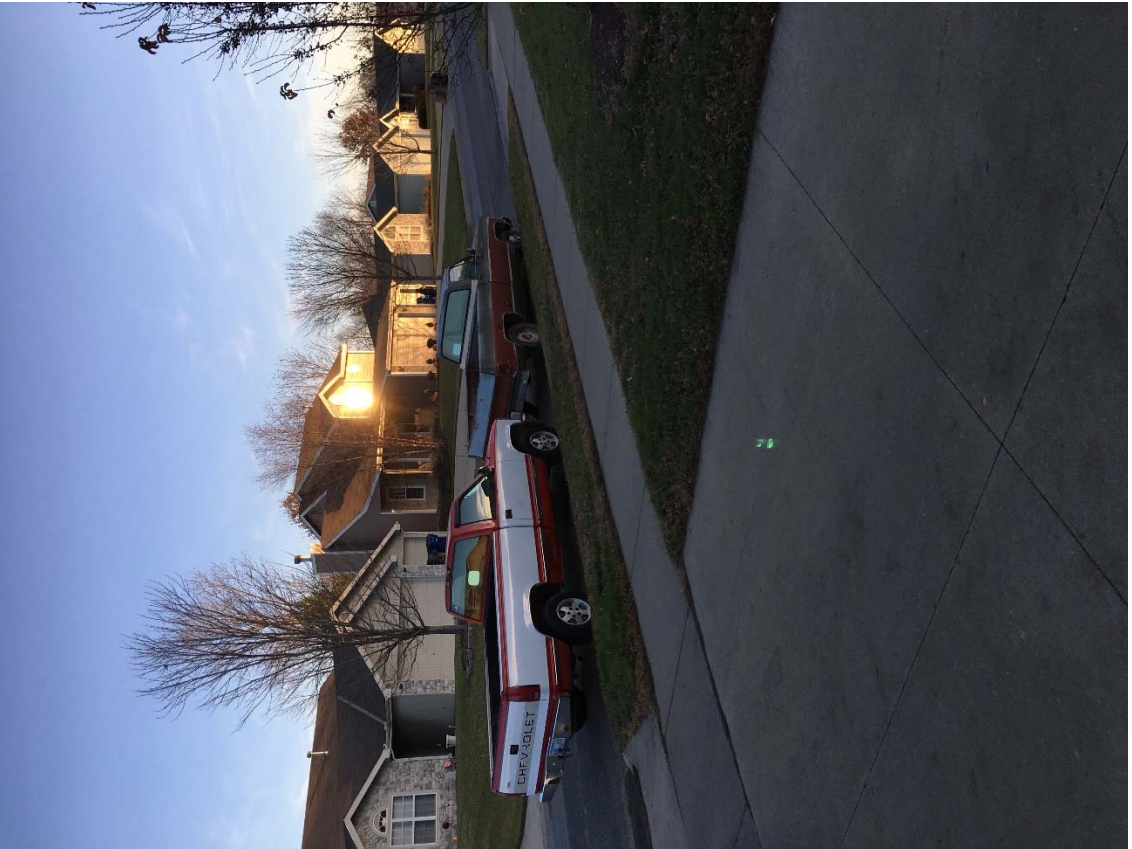
From: Gordon Dye <gordondy@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 23, 2017 5:36 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Goodell Court parking

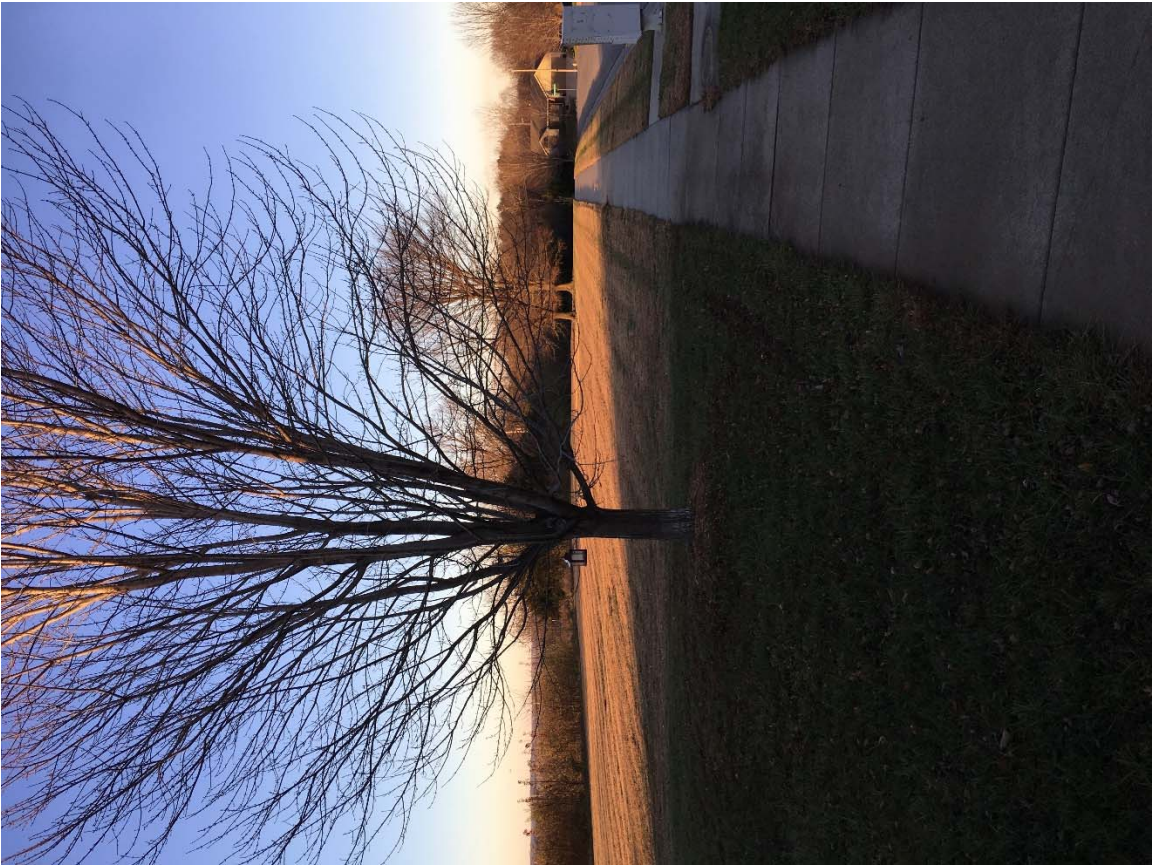
Hello Amanda,

My name is Tonya Dye and I received a letter about a complaint for parking on my street of Goodell Court. I plan to come to the city meeting but I thought I'd try to give some input now and also send a few pictures for your review also. I own one of the two trucks that have been complained about. It was actually my Father's who left it to me when he passed away. I use my truck and drive it/move it every 48 hours per the law. When the police came, two different times after the lady complained, they both said it wasn't a problem to park on the street as long as it was moved every 48 hours. I do return and park it in the same spot though so maybe that is why the lady keeps complaining. I will say that I've lived on this street for 11 years and had my truck the last 3 years and never had complaints from any neighbors until myself and my next door neighbor complained of repeated speeding on our street (actually by the lady who called in the complaints over the trucks.) We believe she is just upset over that and is now causing trouble with the parking concerns. Our street is a long dead end road with a cul-de-sac on each end. It also has a football sized empty field next to my house that the whole street uses for parking during special holidays, Thanksgiving, 4th of July, kids birthday parties etc. There are no houses in that area and the two trucks that park in that area are mine and my neighbors. Being that we live on a dead end cul-de-sac and not a main busy street it seems unnecessary and a waste of city money to add no parking signs. The trucks aren't blocking any driveways and our street isn't busy enough to impede traffic (besides the lady complaining who speeds up and down the street.) She claims it's dangerous for her kids but her youngest is 5 years old and really should not be riding his bike down the middle of the street when we have a football field length of sidewalk in place. Having no parking signs on one side would still mean you could just park on the other side so that seems redundant to me. I know it would be a hindrance for myself and most of the neighbors when having a function at their house because it is very useful having all that extra parking for visitors, especially since it is in front of an open field. I believe the parking complaints just stem from our concerns over her speeding, which I've also mentioned to the police who came here. Thank you for letting me give my input. I will attach a few pictures if possible or send in a second email. Please review the pictures if you can.

Thank You,

Tonya and Gordon Dye along with
Jess and Jon Price
Sent from my iPhone





Amanda Sahin

From: Alyson Cistola <ACistola@usd497.org>
Sent: Saturday, November 25, 2017 8:29 AM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: street parking

Dear Ms. Sahin,

I am unable to attend the meeting on Monday, December 4th regarding street parking on Goodell Court. I am all in favor of only parking on one side of the street. I was thrilled to receive notification stating that this concern was being addressed. We currently have people parking on both sides of the street directly in front of my house which makes it difficult for me to even pull out of my driveway safely! It often isn't just a car but trucks with trailers and equipment but even with just cars on both sides, you have to pull over and wait for oncoming traffic to pass before proceeding as it is not wide enough on our street to have parking on both sides and two lanes of traffic. It should not be necessary in a single family home neighborhood with 2-3 car garages and equally wide driveways for people to park on both sides of the street! This should not be something we have to deal with in a neighborhood with attached garages/driveways. The streets simply aren't wide enough!

In addition, the corner at Bishop and 30th street is a horrible traffic hazard due to cars on both sides because it gets so much traffic now with the extension of 31st street. Due to the curve, there is a blind spot so you can't see if someone is coming or not and, again with cars on both sides there is not room to support 2 way traffic.

Thank you for considering this issue.

Sincerely,

Alyson Cistola
Goodell Court

Amanda Sahin

From: Kirsten Yunuba Stephens <yunubastephens@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 25, 2017 3:37 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Goodell Court , No parking request

Dear Amanda Sahin,

I am writing because I live on Goodell Court and was recently informed by mail that the December 4th transportation meeting will have a discussion about parking along Goodell Court. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend this meeting so am writing my thoughts down.

I don't want the city to close one side of Goodell Court to parked vehicles. I believe it to be a waste of resources that could be used elsewhere. Goodell Court is a dead end cal-de-sac that does not have any through traffic.

If the city is hot to post no parking signs, 30th Street where it bends into Bishop Street would be a much better place. That street is a through street and having cars on both sides does pose a hazard to vehicles and bicycles.

Thank you for your time in reading my response; not for one minute do I believe it will affect the outcome. The transportation department has already made up their minds to proceed with this and asking for input is simply a way to placate the Democratic process.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Yunuba Stephens

Amanda Sahin

From: Linda Kenne <lkenne66@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 26, 2017 2:33 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Parking on Goodell Ct

I could not find any information on the web page you suggested.

Without further information, I do not see any need to put in restricted parking on this street:

1. It is a cul-de-sac
2. Traffic is very light. On our end of the street there is very little on-street parking anyway. Only when there is obviously a party or gathering of some sort.
3. Who would monitor compliance, we seldom have police patrol this area.

Linda Kenne
1808 Goodell Ct.

Amanda Sahin

From: Karen Coover <executivelandcare@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 12:12 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: restricted parking Goodell Ct.

To whom it may concern,

My name is Chris Coover I live at 2104 Goodell Ct., I Have lived in this resident for 16 years and have yet to see any parking issues.

I appose the request for parking restricted to one side of the road.

This will create limited parking for residents, family and visiting guest not only on a daily basis but on holidays and special events.

By limiting parking to one side of the street this will increase the speed of traffic witch could put children and pedestrians at risk.

This will also make it difficult for city services to pick up waste on a weekly basis trying to navigate around parked cars.

Most people on this street have children and if forced to park a long distance from their homes at night or in bad weather I.E. rain, ice or

snowy conditions is not only inconvenient but could be dangerous.

There are no other cul-de-sacs in the Prairie Park sub division with restricted parking.

Again I strongly appose limiting parking to one side of the street.

Thank you, Chris Coover

Amanda Sahin

From: Martin Blankinship <mblankks@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 3:25 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Goodell Court, No Parking Request

Amanda,

I will not be able to attend the Transportation Committee meeting on December 4th, but I do have some input to offer.

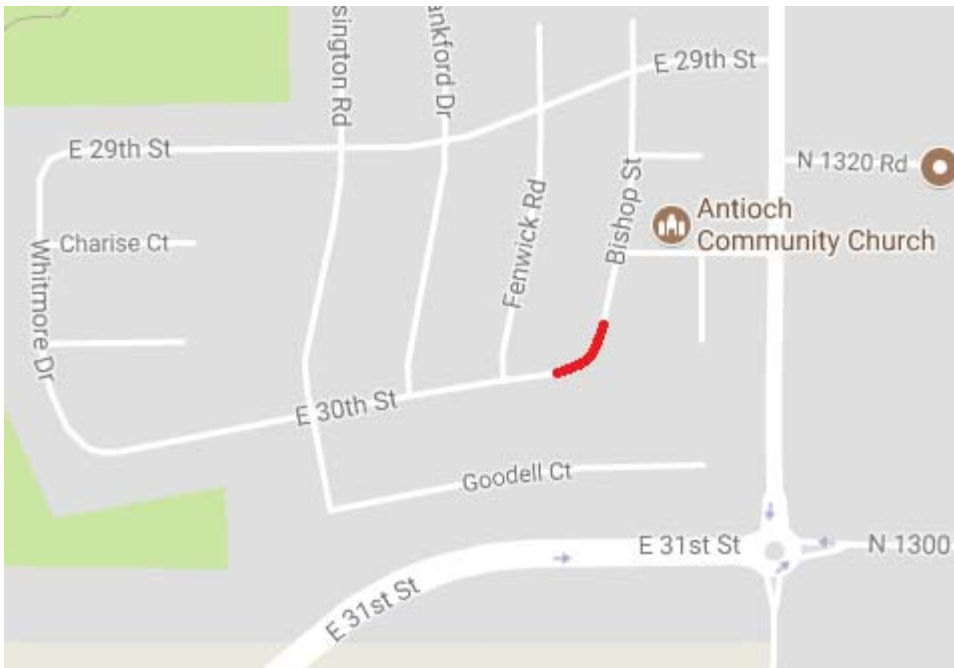
I support limiting parking to one side of the *Goodell Court*. Although this appears to be an issue on the east half of the street of *Goodell Court*, Every dwelling on this street has a two-bay garage and a two-lane driveway. To have cars parked on both side of the street seems to be a safety issue, especially for large delivery trucks.

I do not know what the city ordinance states, but if there restrictions to long-term curbside parking in the street, especially in examples where the vehicle appears to be defunct, I would like to see that enforced.

In addition to the recommendation to limit parking on *Goodell Court*, I would like to see the same, or even a stricter provision--for no parking--applied to a stretch on an adjacent street, where *30th Street* curves left and becomes *Bishop Street*. There is limited sight distance on this curve, while there are usually two or three cars parked on this curve, usually on the outside, or east bound side of the street. I believe it is a safety issue in negotiating this stretch with two-way traffic present. Although I am sure the traffic on this street is light, I would assume that 30th Street/Bishop sees more traffic that it did before the completion of 31st street to O'Connell Road.

On that note, I have noticed and am pleased at the recent addition of yield signs on 30th Street at the intersection of *Kensington Road*. Roughly eleven years ago, a speeding car heading westbound on 30th Street, totaled my car at this very intersection.

The area I mentioned is shown in the red in the illustration below.



Thanks for soliciting input on this matter.

Martin W. Blankinship
1915 Goodell Court
Lawrence, KS 66046

Amanda Sahin

From: tt427sb2 <tt427sb2@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 7:59 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Goodell Court No parking request

My name is John Shackelford and I live at 2019 Goodell Court. (We own and have lived here since 2001.) I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed parking changes being considered. My opposition is based on the following reasons:

Trash pickup will be impacted.

Speeding will be a concern.

Families with multiple drivers/cars will be negatively impacted.

Having to possibly park farther away from your residence at dark a concern for younger members of families.

Handicapped members of family having to walk farther to residence.

Family gatherings/get togethers with multiple invitees may have to park considerable distance from residence.

Inclement weather will create more chance for injury from walking further distances to residence.

No other neighborhood culdesacs have this parking arrangement.

Rental properties with an average turnover rate of 12 months should not have as much influence as long time home owners.

We have had some questionable tenants in the rental housing over the years (Based on number of police cars on our block.) and I would be uncomfortable with some of them or their friends parking in front of my residence. We had multiple promises made to us when we purchased this property by the city and the developer. None of which have been true.

Example-

The city is going to build a park at the end of the street.

There will be no more houses built on culdesac. (They promptly extended the culdesac and built 8 more houses.)

The bypass/ 31st street will take a southern route far away from your property. (It is in my back yard.) and the things that have not helped my property values continue-

The jail and homeless shelter approx. a mile away.

I would appreciate this proposed change to parking on our street not move forward.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter,

John Shackelford

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

Amanda Sahin

From: Mike Coffman <jmcoffman@sunflower.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2017 12:02 PM
To: Amanda Sahin
Subject: Goodell Court, No Parking Request

Amanda,

As a property owner of 4 residences on this street I feel parking is limited now and eliminating 50% of the available parking would create a major inconvenience for residences and their visitors. Having been an original owner since the beginning of this development, I don't see that parking on both sides of this street is creating a problem since it is a cul-de-sac it should be a low traffic street with no through traffic.

Thank you
James M. Coffman