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TO: Public Safety & Transportation Committee
FROM: Carl Goldsmith, Director of Public Works *CJ*
SUBJECT: Overnight Parking in Commuter Lots

Background

Staff received a request to amend Section 10-13-24 of the Lombard Traffic Code to allow for overnight parking at the Lombard Commuter Parking Facilities. The purpose of the request is to allow individuals to park in designated areas if they work overnight outside of Lombard or if they need to park overnight if attending an event overnight outside of Lombard. The current Traffic Code provision (Section 10-13-14) does not permit overnight parking. f Magnolia Circle).

Staff has determined that a specific designated parking lot could be made available for overnight parking, subject to the following regulations:

- No parking of commercial vehicles as defined by the Village Code could be permitted to park overnight in a Village owned/maintained lot.
- An individual parking in the designated lot between the hours of 5:00 am and 11:00 am, Monday through Friday, would be required to pay the daily fee for the use of the parking space.
- Vehicles would not be permitted to park in the parking lot overnight after snow begins to fall, if the snow within the municipal parking lot is one (1) inch or more in depth, as determined by the Director of Public Works or his representative.

Staff has looked at neighboring communities to see if overnight parking is permitted. The results of the analysis can be found below:

Elmhurst

- Must have a monthly overnight parking pass in all Metra/commuter lots

Glen Ellyn

- Overnight allowed, must pay for spot at kiosk or on parking app or may purchase an Overnight parking pass. Some lots are bypass only and some are daily fee.

- Overnight parking permits allow parking in Main St - Glenwood Extension, Civic Center Garage - Lower Level & 2nd Level, Pennsylvania West, and Main/Crescent lots within designated areas during the hours of 6PM - 7AM Monday- Friday.
- Overnight parking permits shall only be available to persons whose principal residence is a multifamily dwelling unit building located in the Village's Central Business District that does not offer parking facilities or parking spaces to its residents.
- The Duane/Lorraine lot allows for overnight parking within designated areas during the hours of 6PM - 7AM for \$2 a day.

Villa Park

(A) Overnight allowed, must pay for spot at kiosk or on parking app, allowed in Metra/commuter lot

Wheaton

(B) Free parking from 3PM to 6AM, must pay daily fee after 6AM in all Metra lots

Winfield

(C) Allowed with no restrictions, per Winfield PD in all Metra lots.

Staff has determined that the most appropriate lot to allow overnight parking is the St. Charles Commuter Lot, which is located immediately west of Fire Station 45 located at 50 E. St. Charles Road. There are 41 total spaces at that location.



In order to amend the Village Traffic Code to permit overnight parking, the text in Section 10-13-24 must be amended as follows:

“Section 10-13-24

- (A) It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle other than a motor vehicle of the first division, as defined by 625 ILCS or a motor vehicle of the second division with a B class state license plate, as defined by 625 ILCS 5/1-146 and 5/3-815(a), to be in any municipal parking lot as described in Schedule XXIII.**
- (B) It shall be unlawful to park any motor vehicle within any municipal parking lot as described in Schedule XXIII at any time between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m., after snow begins to fall, if the snow within the municipal parking lot is one (1) inch or more in depth, as determined by the Director of Public Works or his representative.**
- (C) It shall be permissible for a motor vehicle to park overnight in the St. Charles Commuter Lot between the hours of 2:00 am and 5:00 am Monday through Friday subject to paying the required daily fee. Overnight parking between the hours of 2:00 am and 5:00 am on Saturday and Sunday will not require payment of the daily fee. Parking shall not be permitted after snow begins to fall, if the snow within the municipal parking lot is one (1) inch or more in depth, as determined by the Director of Public Works or his representative.**

The Director of Public Works, or his representative, shall immediately notify the media and Police Department when he determines that snow within any municipal parking lot is one (1) inch or more in depth.”

Recommendation

Staff recommends amending Section 10-13-24 of the Lombard Traffic Code to permit overnight parking in the E. St. Charles Road Commuter Lot.