

VILLAGE OF LOMBARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To:

Chief Wirsing

From: Sergeant Balsitis

Re:

Traffic Complaint Proposal

Chief.

Over the past several years our agency has received a common traffic related complaint along Elizabeth St., just north and south of where it intersects with Madison St.

The complaints are specifically related to traffic back-ups along Madison St. and vehicles parking on both sides of Elizabeth St. during the school day. We have conducted numerous directed patrols of this area during the school year on an annual basis and found that the complaints are credible.

The parking or stopping to drop off or pick up children on Elizabeth St., throughout the school day causes a difficult navigation of the roadway, and will prevent emergency vehicles (Fire engines, ambulances, public works larger vehicles, snowplows etc.), from accessing the roadway or a residence in that area, when both sides of the street are being utilized for parking and/or stopping and standing.

Currently there are no parking restrictions for either side of the street along Elizabeth St, north of Madison. Elizabeth St south of Madison has the two-hour parking restriction (Glenbard East rule for the entire area) but that has little to no effect on the annual complaints for this area.

The proposal I would like for you to consider would be to create an ordinance which would restrict parking, stopping, or standing along the following areas of Elizabeth St:

- Elizabeth St, along the west side (fire hydrant side) of the roadway, to approximately 500 feet north of Madison St.
- Elizabeth St, along the eastside of the roadway (to assist with traffic flow) from Madison St, south to Harding Rd. This would require an adjustment to the current ordinance from the two-hour parking limit.

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The no parking, stopping, or standing restrictions would be limited to the hours of 7am to 9am and 2 pm to 4 pm on school days. This would help alleviate the annual complaints for the area, prevent any delays in emergency responses in the area, and will have little to no negative impact to the residents in the area, who would have reason to park in front of their own homes or have company over.

I have attached a map of the affected area and welcome any feedback you may have.

Respectfully,

Sgt. Tom Balsitis

