To whom it may concern:

I own a yoga studio named Yoga Ward at 223 S. 2nd St. We have a fire hydrant located out front which takes away from some of our current parking. We also have tenants from two apartment buildings that park in front of our business. Now our parking situation is worse!

Since Zach's Cafe has moved in next door, there is now a loading zone out front. This loading zone is being abused. It is never used! Zach's has all of their deliveries made in the alley. The first day that I called to lodge a complaint, I watched a delivery truck pull up out back.

The loading zone takes up two parking spaces. As soon as the loading zone signs went up, Zach's moved tables and chairs out onto the sidewalk along the entire loading zone, which extends beyond their business. I have also e-mailed Michael McGuire a picture showing the tables and chairs. Obviously, they had the loading zone placed so their customers can sit on the sidewalk without looking at cars. Ginger restaurant has been next door for quite sometime and never attempted this.

This has become a huge nuisance for our parking situation. Zach's takes the tables and chairs in each night. I'm not even sure if they have a permit for the tables and chairs? I'm very upset that they have moved in and never had the courtesy to consult the other businesses around before getting a loading zone that is only being used for seating customers outside. This doesn't make any sense at all. Once again, deliveries are made in the alley, which is very spacious. This business is dead most of the time. It's not like customers are constantly needing to load and unload what?

I would like to see the loading zone taken down and will do anything required to help out with the situation. Timothy J. Kitchen & Bath isn't happy about the loading zone either, which is practically right outside of their door. We are located just upstairs from Timothy J. Kitchen & Bath. This is an up and coming area. Unfortunately, Timothy J. Kitchen & Bath and Yoga Ward, are the only two established businesses here. But this really does make it a big inconvenience for our customers.

I have quite a large amount of students that would probably sign a petition. However, I don't want to cross that line with my students by asking them to sign a petition. We are a yoga studio that helps our students de-stress. I don't want to burden students with signatures. However, if needed... I gness I can cross the line if absolutely necessary.

The loading zone signs are from 6am-8pm. Zach's isn't even open that early or late. They have irregular hours which are contrary to the hours they display on the door. Some days they are closed at 5pm. They are closed on Sundays.

Our business has early morning private clients and late night classes which end at 8:15pm. We could really utilize these parking spaces.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any further questions.

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