

Rodriguez, Charlotte

From: Elmer, Linda
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2009 9:29 AM
To: Rodriguez, Charlotte
Subject: FW: 24 Hour Parking Enforcement

Please load into 081651 (I am also updating the notice list)

From: MacDonald, Terry
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2009 8:46 AM
To: Elmer, Linda
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From: Kovac, Nik
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2009 4:47 PM
To: Bauman, Robert; MacDonald, Terry
Cc: Horn, Sarah
Subject: FW: 24 Hour Parking Enforcement

From: Joe Duehmig [mailto:joe@net-directions.com]
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2009 10:43 AM
To: Kovac, Nik; Horn, Sarah
Cc: Caroline Duehmig
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Nik and Sara,

Per my voice message and my conversation with Sara today, I wanted to express my dissatisfaction with the current 24 hour parking restrictions. As a long term (10+ years) resident of the East Side and a home owner for 9 years, it is obvious to me that the recent enforcement of this rule is both unwarranted and ineffective. My home, like most houses on the East Side, does not have a driveway or other off-street parking options. For the city to insist that we drive our cars every day, whether we need to or not, is ludicrous and is a direct contradiction of the goals of energy efficiency and reducing pollution.

Various City and UWM sponsored initiatives, including Walk to Work, sustainable neighborhoods, mass transit, and Bike to Work, all have a goal of reducing the use of cars in the city. The enforcement of a 24 hour parking restriction by DPW is an indication that DPW does not support these programs. I am very conscious of the need to remove abandoned or unused cars from city streets, but a 5 day park restriction seems a much more reasonable time frame. Indeed, I feel that relying on neighbor complaints would be a more effective method of identifying abandoned cars than forcing residents to move their vehicles each day.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like more input on this topic.

Thanks,
Joe Duehmig

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