

To: **Public Safety Committee**
Through: **Ryan Schroeder, City Manager**
From: **Ross Beckwith, Public Works & Parks Director/City Engineer**
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Parking Changes on Kathleen Drive / Westview Drive

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City has received complaint of too many vehicles parking on the street along Kathleen Drive, Scott Lane and Westview Drive. In the winter, when road widths narrow slightly, the available width of roadway for plows, emergency vehicles and motorists decreases. This area has a high density of apartment buildings that often cause overflow parking to spill out onto the street.

While this is not a new problem, the addition of the new apartments at 252 Marie will likely add parking to the area. Engineering staff has discussed this issue with Police, Fire and Public Works Departments who all operate safety equipment in this area. The area of highest concern is Kathleen Drive from Marie Avenue to Westview Drive. Currently, parking is allowed on both sides of the street. The south side of Kathleen Drive has two driveways between Marie Avenue and Westview Avenue and the north side has one, so there are lot of conflict points in a short stretch and in close proximity to Marie Avenue. If *No Parking* were to be posted on one side of this stretch of Kathleen Drive, the south side would be recommended.

Posting *No Parking* in a high-density area will likely move parked vehicles further down the block. There is the potential that this would create a new set of issues along a street that currently does not have high volumes of on-street parking.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of *No Parking* signs is \$200 each including the sign, post and installation. This stretch of Kathleen Drive would require three signs, so \$600 total.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is looking for discussion/feedback from the Public Safety Committee regarding on-street parking issues in the area of Kathleen Drive, Scott Lane and Westview Drive.

Attachment: Location Map