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Residential Parking  
Sharing the Burden

There is no street parking in front of the houses on Colchester Avenue across from the Medical Center. They were eliminated about 1963, which meant physicians weren't interested in renting these buildings. Until June of this year the occupants of these houses were permitted to park on Fletcher Place, 25 yards away. Now they are required to park only on Colchester Avenue with parking up to half a mile away.

From the data I collected it seems that Colchester Avenue, not Fletcher Place and other nearby side streets, is the street with the parking overload.

| Street            | Parking Spaces | Passes Issued (May, '13) | Passes /Spaces |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Colchester Avenue | 40             | 138                      | 3.4            |
| Fletcher Place    | 15             | 46                       | 2.5            |
| Thibault Parkway  | 18             | 58                       | 3.2            |
| Latham Court      | 18             | 54                       | 3              |
| Nash Place        | 8              | 38                       | 4.7            |

Has anyone on the commission actually gone out and counted spaces and compared that information with the number of passes issued for each residential street? If not why not? We need to work with facts not speculation. Is a city code enforceable when there is no data to support it?

How are the owners of the houses on East Avenue going to like it when the street parking in front of their homes is eliminated for the much needed third lane for cars?

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Dear Colin McNeil:

Were you the lawyer who gave Jeanne Collins approval to move clerical workers into St. Joseph's School (I have a copy of the email where she makes a claim her lawyer said it was alright) even though it is in a Residential Medium (RM), and I have repeatedly shown that is not a permitted use under the Burlington zoning regulations? Perhaps, such an infraction seems minor to you compared to McNeil, Leddy, and Sheahan advising the former Mayor Kiss administration to remove 17 million dollars from the city's general fund. Wasn't there a criminal investigation about that advice? When do you plan to stop?

By the way, Terry Bailey told me the limited parking at St. Joseph's wouldn't be a problem: there are only 55 parking spaces at Edmunds Middle School and they park over a hundred cars there. Any idea about other zoning regulations the school district is violating?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha R. Lang