



## Memorandum

DATE: October 16, 2013

TO: Board of Public Works

FROM: Mark Radtke, Director of Public Works *MR*

RE: Parking Committee Recommendation to Remove the Two Hour Parking Restriction on the North Side of First Street in the Parking Bay Section adjacent to the Menasha Library West of Racine Street

At its October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Parking Committee recommended to remove the current two hour parking restriction in effect for the north side of First Street in the parking bay section adjacent to the Menasha Library west of Racine Street. Library Director Vicki Lenz requested this change to better accommodate the needs of the Library patrons (see enclosure).

If the Board agrees with the recommendation, a directive should be made to draft the appropriate ordinance language.

Enclosure

**From:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 1:18 PM  
**To:** Mark Radtke  
**Cc:** Don Merkes; Vicki Lenz  
**Subject:** 2 Hr Parking by Library

Mark,

Vicki Lenz asked me about the possibility of removing the 2 hour parking limitation on First St., the south side of the library. She said library patrons like to park there (especially elderly people because it's easier to deal with than the parking lot), but worry about the 2 hr time limit. She also mentioned that historically, the 2hr limit was established to prevent post office employees from parking there all day.

My response was that it would probably have to start in the Parking Committee and that I would forward the question to you. Do you think this is a possibility and if so, how would the process begin?

Thanks,  
Becky Nichols

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**From:** Mark Radtke  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 3:55 PM  
**To:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Cc:** Don Merkes; Vicki Lenz  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

I think there would be little turnover of the parking in that area if the 2 hour parking limit were removed, but regardless, we can take it through the Parking Committee for consideration.

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**From:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 4:35 PM  
**To:** Mark Radtke  
**Cc:** Don Merkes; Vicki Lenz  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

Thanks for your thoughts. I will ask Vicki and the library to consider your thoughts before proceeding to the Parking Committee.

Thanks,  
Becky

**From:** Mark Radtke [<mailto:mradtke@ci.menasha.wi.us>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 4:40 PM  
**To:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Cc:** Don Merkes; Vicki Lenz  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

Becky,

We will be scheduling our next Parking Committee very soon (it meets on an as needed basis and we currently are trying to establish a meeting time for some other parking issues) so if Vicky and the Library wish to proceed it might be beneficial to let us know as soon as possible, unless they feel they can wait another month or two..

Thanks, Mark

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**From:** Vicki Lenz [<mailto:lenz@menashalibrary.org>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 4:51 PM  
**To:** Mark Radtke; Rebecca Nichols  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

There's no hurry.

It just seems like those parking places are empty most of the time now that the carriers are all working in Neenah. The parking lot at the post office is usually a lot bigger than they seem to need now that their little trucks are gone . . . .

I don't see how that street parking differs now from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street parking. Maybe I'm missing something.

Vicki

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**From:** Mark Radtke [<mailto:mradtke@ci.menasha.wi.us>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 4:53 PM  
**To:** Vicki Lenz  
**Cc:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

Vicki,

Those are good points and you have a better understanding than I of what's occurring there so please let us know if you want this considered by the Parking Committee.

Thanks, Mark

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**From:** Vicki Lenz [mailto:lenz@menashalibrary.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2013 8:32 AM  
**To:** Mark Radtke  
**Cc:** Rebecca Nichols  
**Subject:** RE: 2 Hr Parking by Library

Yes. Mark, please have the parking restriction along the south side of the library reconsidered by the Parking Committee.

Thanks.

--Vicki