



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Proposed Amendments to Article IV of Chapter 6 of the Town Code - Parking, Relating to the Lloyd-Broad Neighborhood

PURPOSE: Proposed amendments to the Town Code relating to regulation of on-street parking in the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood.

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INFORMATION: At the June 6, 2017 Board of Aldermen meeting, staff presented a series of Town Code amendments relating to on-street parking designed to respond to citizen requests. Two amendments relating to the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood were considered but not adopted. As part of the requests for mechanisms to guide compatible development in the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood, interest in on-street parking has resurfaced and staff has taken a more comprehensive look at the community as a whole, noting where on-street parking is occurring, where signage is inconsistent with the Town Code and where additional regulation/signage may be appropriate to improve vehicular circulation. Suggested changes to the Town Code are described below.

Attachment A is a draft of the proposed changes to Article IV, Subsection 19(b)(1) of Chapter 6 of the Town Code relating to the regulation of on street parking along Starlite Drive in the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood.

Article IV, Section 6-19(b)(1)(pp) currently describes parking restrictions along the south side of Starlite Drive but the language is confusing and it incorrectly references 'a forty-five degree bend' and yet it is clear that Starlite Drive only ever turns at ninety degree bends. The changes to this section clarify the limits where parking is prohibited along the south (and west) side of the street.

Also proposed is an addition to Article IV, Section 6-19(b)(1)(ss) which prohibits parking along Starlite Drive from the Carrboro Town limits westward to the first ninety degree bend north. Currently, there is no restriction on parking indicated for this location. This decision was reached based on input from Fire Department and Police Department staff regarding the impacts on EMS vehicle response time when vehicles are parked on this section of the street, and the frequency with which residents park on the street.

In addition to these Town Code amendments, the Planning and Public Works departments will coordinate staff to remove confusing or conflicting signage in the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood, to ensure posted parking restrictions are consistent with the Town Code. In particular the signs on the west side of Lloyd Street at its intersection with Hosiery Street, which indicate that parking isn't allowed near the intersection, but that permitted parking begins again a short distance from the intersection. These locations do not need to be signed, per Town Code Article IV, Section 6-18; and in this case the signs only add to confusion regarding where parking is allowed.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Some additional staff time would be required to enforce these modified and new parking restrictions and make changes to the confusing signage at identified locations.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board review and adopt the changes to the ordinance.