



Engineering Department

MEMO

To: Dave Plyman, City Manager

CC: Tim Isley, Supt. of Streets

Alan Cooper, City Attorney (via council packet)

From: Sam Tesreau, City Engineer

Date: September 30, 2016

Re: An ordinance amending section 94-224 of the municipal code of the City of Rochelle to prohibit parking along the west side of Brookside Drive between Illinois Route 38 and the northerly terminus of Brookside Drive and partially on the west side of Brookside Drive

Encl: (1) An ordinance amending section 94-224 of the municipal code of the City of Rochelle to prohibit parking along the west side of Brookside Drive between Illinois Route 38 and the northerly terminus of Brookside Drive and partially on the west side of Brookside Drive

- 1) In July 2016 residents approached the City Council and staff regarding a parking issue along Brookside Drive north of Illinois Rte. 38. Residents that attended the council meeting expressed concern of parking on both sides of the street and the ability of emergency vehicles to navigate down the street especially off of IL Rte. 38. A signed petition, which represents many of the homeowners and residents from Illinois Rte. 38 to the northerly terminus of the Brookside, was presented at the meeting.
- 2) Per the Street Standards of the Rochelle Municipal Code parking is permissible on one side of the street if said street is 31 feet in width, as measured from back of curb to curb, in a single family residential district. The street along Brookside Drive is approximately 31 feet b-b with an approximate right-of-way width of 60 feet. Therefore, it would seem reasonable to permit parking on one side of the street and prohibit it on the other. The neighborhood is served by US Mail delivery with mailboxes being situated on the west side of the street adjacent to the existing curb. Furthermore, fire hydrants are located on the west side of the street directly behind the sidewalk and the east side of the street contains fewer driveways along Brookside Drive. Lastly, Engineering staff was able to evaluate geometrics of the Fire Departments largest emergency vehicle, with placement of parking on the east side of the road, when encountering a southbound stopped vehicle along Brookside Drive and IL. Rte. 38. This allowed staff to determine a reasonable distance from IL Rte. 38 to the beginning of parking along the east side of Brookside Drive. As a result an ordinance has

been developed to prohibit parking along the west side of Brookside Drive from IL. Rte. 38 to the northerly terminus of Brookside Drive and partially along the east side of Brookside Drive.

- 3) Please consider approval of enclosure (1) amending section 94-224 of the Rochelle Municipal Code and other applicable sections as may be required.