

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REQUEST MEMORANDUM

To: Traffic Commission / Department of Transportation Review Staff
From: Gary Walker and Jessica Walker, Property Owners
Address: 425 4th Street
Subject: Request for No-Parking Designation – Safety and Access Concern
Date: February 19, 2026

1. Request

The property owners respectfully request designation of a no-parking zone along the frontage of 425 4th Street, including installation of official signage and authorization to place an enforceable “Do Not Block Access” sign at the walkway leading from the roadway to the primary entrance of the residence.

2. Existing Conditions

There is no curb or defined boundary separating the property from the public roadway, and the property line meets the street directly. Retaining walls border portions of the frontage within a few feet of the roadway, leaving only a narrow area for safe passage and making the existing walkway the only safe and practical access point to the home (see, *3b_Annotated Property Survey.png*). Because no visual or physical separation exists, drivers frequently treat the frontage as available roadside parking space.

3. Access Constraints

The front door serves as the primary entrance and is only accessible via the walkway connecting the home directly to the road. This walkway is the sole safe access route due to surrounding structural conditions. Vehicles frequently park along this frontage and block the access path, restricting entry for residents, visitors, deliveries (see, *Package and Mail Delivery.MP4*), mail carriers (see, *Mail Carrier Access Route.png*), and emergency responders. The area between the driveway and walkway (marked “Apron” on property survey - see, *3b_Annotated Property Survey.png*) is only large enough for a very small vehicle; most vehicles parked there extend into and obstruct the walkway and/or driveway.

4. Safety Concerns

When vehicles park along the frontage, pedestrians cannot safely walk along 4th Street without stepping into the roadway and active traffic lanes (see, *Pedestrian in Traffic.MP4*). Parking on both sides of the street also restricts safe two-way traffic flow. Individuals exiting vehicles parked along the frontage must step directly onto the lawn/property, resulting in repeated trespass and potential liability exposure should someone become injured. Vehicles have also driven onto the lawn/property and used it for turning maneuvers.

5. Recurring Conditions

Vehicles park along this frontage consistently throughout all days and times, demonstrating an ongoing condition rather than isolated incidents. Due to the absence of a defined boundary and the frequency of parking activity, recurring impacts include littering, extended vehicle occupancy and idling, and pedestrian foot traffic directly on the property.

6. Documented Examples (see google drive images and videos)

Supporting documentation shows recurring unsafe or improper activity, including vehicles performing turning maneuvers on the lawn/property (Vehicle Trespass_U-Turn on Lawn_1c), commercial vehicles parked facing oncoming traffic while blocking access (Commercial Vehicle_1a-1d), multiple vehicles obstructing the sole access path to the primary entrance (Vehicle Obstructing Sole Access to Primary

Entrance_1-8), and pedestrians forced into the roadway due to parked vehicles along the frontage (Pedestrian in Traffic.MP4). These examples demonstrate a pattern of unsafe and irregular parking and driving behavior occurring along this stretch of roadway.

7. Public Benefit of Requested Action

Designation of this frontage as a no-parking zone would:

- Preserve unobstructed access to the residence
- Maintain clear access for emergency services
- Reduce liability risk
- Improve pedestrian safety
- Support safe traffic flow for all roadway users
- Prevent improper vehicle maneuvering

8. Supporting Materials

Photos, video evidence, and annotated site survey are available for review here,

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OYY9gB7PAvkJYM4ZvIOYysyC1ByEHcW6?usp=drive_link

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

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