

Good morning,

My name is Paul Maunder, and I live on Pathfinder drive in the Orchard Community. I would like to take a few minutes to comment on our parking situation.

I have been following the changes over the years as I have lived on Pathfinder Drive for many years.

In the past few years there have been many changes to the area as development has brought in a much higher density of both people as well as vehicles.

We have gone from single family , 2 cars – to large suv's, oversized pickup trucks to in some cases, multiple families in single dwellings.

This is clearly putting a burden on the extremely limit parking that is available in the area.

Combine this with 5 elementary schools, one high school and multiple parks. Young families out for a family bike ride, runners, cyclists, joggers out trying to stay fit and cars parked needlessly on the roadside. It's becoming a very dangerous situation in the Orchard.

I fully understand the need for an effect balanced approach to parking, however I don't think we have one . YET

Currently, we allow on road parking from 8:00pm until 11:00am without the need for any permit or proven need. Not sure why anyone will pay \$320 per year for what they are doing now.

We have residents that park on the road, almost every evening from 6:00pm until 8:30am each and every day. The past two weekend's one resident has left their second car on the road (in front of one of my neighbors), from Thursday – Sunday, while he went out of town and left his driveway empty of cars.

We have been told that we need to call it in and someone will come by, well that doesn't work as effectively as it sounds. Our bylaw enforcement people (in my opinion) are understaffed and over worked. Required to cover the entire city, and respond to call ins.

I've tried this method and it isn't as effective as it sounds.

Our current policy seems to be one of requiring neighbors to report on neighbors, well I can tell that doesn't make for good neighbors. It should not be the responsibility of us to snitch on people breaking the bylaws you decide upon.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could simply have people remove their cars from blocking the flow of traffic, both vehicles and people and let them parking in the many many unused parking spaces in the empty school yards and community parks.

Please help us stop the Orchard from becoming the Parking Lot.

Thank you for your time