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To: #CI-StPaul_Ward4
Subject: Proposed permit parking changes, area 17 and 18

In case I do not make the meeting today I would like to express my opposition to the proposed permit parking changes in area 17 and 18 for the following reasons:

1. Changes to 1 hour parking on Laurel and Dayton Avenues will lead to increased traffic and congestion as cars look for a place to park.
2. Increased congestion then leads to safety concerns for pedestrians in the neighborhood, especially school children walking to and from St. Mark's School. Drivers intent on finding a parking place are less likely to pay attention to pedestrians.
3. This will also lead to a decrease in property values.
4. At the current level of parking enforcement our neighborhood will become a parking lot.

Institutional memories must be very short. I have owned my home since 1977. I can't remember whether we first got permit parking in the 1980's or 1990's. The direct result was a decrease in both congestion and traffic making our neighborhood safer. Changing these restrictions would be a big step backwards.

Lastly I believe the route cause of the proposed parking changes, making Cleveland Avenue a bike route is nothing short of a very terrible, short sighted decision.

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