

ORDINANCE NO. 2646

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND TO ELIMINATE PARKING SPACES ON WEST COLLEGE AVENUE FROM LORECROP DRIVE TO CAMDEN AVENUE IN ORDER TO PREVENT TRAFFIC CRASHES AND ACCOMMODATE A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SAFE BICYCLE FACILITY ON WEST COLLEGE AVENUE.

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury desires to encourage the use of bicycles throughout the City;
and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Charter (SC11-2) gives the City charge of all public ways in the City;
and

WHEREAS, West College Avenue has on-street parking along the south frontage of the street between Camden Avenue and Lorecrop Drive; and

WHEREAS, removal of on-street parking will allow for safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, Salisbury University wholly owns all of the property on that side of the street and supports the removal of parking; and

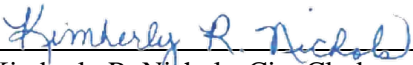
WHEREAS, the Department of Infrastructure and Development desires to build bicycle facilities in the areas listed above and to resolve any issues that could lead to traffic crashes in keeping with the Vision Zero Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND that for the purposes and reasons hereinabove set forth, that removal of the parking spaces from West College Ave, between Lorecrop Drive and Camden Avenue, is hereby approved.


AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND that this Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, MD held on the 11th day of January, 2021 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, was finally passed by the Council on the 25th day of January, 2021.

ATTEST:



Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk



John R. Heath, President
Salisbury City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS:

27 day of January, 2021



Julia Glanz, City Administrator
for and at the direction of
Jacob R. Day, Mayor



2 Permitted Spaces
(Residential Permits)

Non-Permitted Spaces



City of
Salisbury
Jacob R. Day, Mayor

To: Julia Glanz, City Administrator
From: Amanda Pollack, P.E., Director of Infrastructure and Development
Date: November 30, 2020
Re: Ordinance to remove parking on West College Avenue

AP

Salisbury Department of Infrastructure and Development is in the process of implementing the Salisbury Bicycle Network Plan which was adopted by Council via Resolution No. 2712 on December 13, 2016. Recently, DID evaluated necessary preconditions for installing dedicated bicycle facilities on West College Avenue. Given a history of crashes along West College Avenue and the requirement for more space for the bicycle facilities to be adequately protected, the removal of parking along West College Avenue from Lorecrop Drive to Camden Avenue is recommended.

The University has had numerous incidences of near-miss crashes where parking obstructed lines of sight for vehicle entering/exiting the University owned parking lot along West College Avenue. Additionally, the high volume of pedestrians and cyclists moving throughout the corridor suggest improvements for such users are warranted. The parking along West College Avenue has a very low-turnover rate and is mostly empty when University is not in session, suggesting students are the primary users of the parking and as such, the vehicles could be more properly housed at University owned off-street parking facilities.

The attached ordinance includes a request for authority to remove parking on West College Avenue from Lorecrop Drive to Camden Avenue. Salisbury University owns all of the property along the south frontage of West College Avenue and many parcels along the north side. The remaining parcels either have driveways and ample off-street parking, or have on-street parking available on an adjacent side street. A written notice of our request to remove parking has been sent to the adjacent property owners. A letter of support from University personnel declaring University support for parking removal is attached. Approximately 35 parking spaces will be removed, including two residential permit spaces.

Unless you or the Mayor have further questions, please forward a copy of this memo and the ordinance to the City Council.



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RE: West College Avenue Bike Lane Project

Mr. White:

Salisbury University and the City of Salisbury have a strong working relationship and both of our institutions are completely committed to providing safe transportation networks for the local and student populations. The City has gone through a great deal of effort planning a Bicycle Network Plan. Additionally, Salisbury University has achieved Bicycle Friendly University status as awarded by The League of American Bicyclists. It is with this in mind, that Salisbury University supports the effort to install bike lane improvements on West College Avenue which will necessitate the removal of on-street parking on the south side of the street.

We look forward to working with you and the City's Department of Infrastructure & Development to continue to expand bicycling pathways around and through our campus and to seeing the concept plans that you develop for this project. Thanks for your ongoing efforts to make the City of Salisbury a more bicycle friendly city.

Sincerely,

Eric Berkheimer
Associate Vice President of Facilities and Capital Management

cc: Eli Modlin
Marvin Pyles