

**Memorandum
Public Works Department**



To: City Manager
Subject: Parking Lot Ordinance
Date: July 6, 2020
Number: 2020-105

SOURCE OF REQUEST:

Quincy Davis
Chairman of the Deacons Board
Greater Antioch Baptist Church
929 14th Street
Rock Island, IL 61201

NATURE OF REQUEST:

The Traffic Engineering Committee received a request from Quincy Davis, Greater Antioch Baptist Church, to place their parking lot located at 929 14th Street and the parking lots on 10th Avenue between 14th Street and 14 ½ Street under city ordinance (Section 9-42) control.

MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES WARRANTS:

Not Applicable

CONTACTS WITH RESIDENTS:

None

TRAFFIC STUDY INFORMATION:

None

COST:

There is no cost to the city. The property owner must post the required warning signs and pay an annual fee of \$150.00 to the city. The ordinance is only enforced when the signs are posted and a representative of the property owner identifies the illegally parked vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Traffic Engineering Committee recommends that the City Council approve the request and direct the city attorney to prepare the necessary paperwork.

Submitted by: Michael T. Bartels, Public Works Director
Traffic Engineering Committee

Approved by: Randall D. Tweet, City Manager



To: Rock Island City Council
From: Greater Antioch Baptist Church
RE: Request for City Parking Ordinance
Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Greetings Rock Island City Council Members,

Greater Antioch Baptist Church is seeking your assistance for the approval of our church securing city ordinance parking permits for our church parking lots located on the corner of (14th Street and 10th Avenue, to the corner of 14 1/2 Street and 10th Avenue), and in our parking lot located on the north side of our church parish at 925- 14th Street in Rock Island.

During the past six months or more our church parking lots has been used as a social gathering spot for some of the residents in our neighborhood, as well as some of their friends, and other individuals who all have had total disregard for the church and our church property. The activities for these gatherings include but are not limited to things such as gambling, drinking, the use of illegal drugs, foul language, fighting, unauthorized parking, unauthorized use of the church dumpsters, and unauthorized basketball hoops in the parking lot for youth to play basketball, glass breaking, tire sketch marks, car repair, and other types of violence, which at times includes the use of illegal firearms.

One of our biggest missions as a church in the community is to promote love and harmony among the members and neighbors in our area. This mission has been challenged during the past few months because of the social gatherings in our parking lots. Since these gatherings are happening almost on a daily basis it is our hope that you would take time to carefully consider this request for the city ordinance approval for our church. We are truly concerned for the care, welfare, safety, and security of not only our church and our members who enters our establishment on a daily basis, but also for the residents of our church community as well. For this reason, we feel that it is imperative that we have a city ordinance permit for our church parking lots. The ordinance will also give the Rock Island Police more leverage when it comes to patrolling and controlling the criminal activity in this area.

If there is any other information, or questions that you may have to help assist in your decision making, please feel free to contact the church at any time. We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely

Quincy Davis,
Chairman of the Deacons Board

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CITY OF ROCK ISLAND

LICENSE APPLICATION

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City Clerk Approval

License Fee

License Fee Receipt Number

License Number

License Printed Date

License Delivery Date

Return Completed Application to:
City Clerk's Office, 1528 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL. 61201
(309) 732-2010