

**Memorandum  
Public Works Department**



**To:** City Manager  
**Subject:** Ban Parking  
**Date:** September 10, 2013  
**Number:** 2013-164

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**SOURCE OF REQUEST:**

Chief Tom Phillis  
Office of Public Safety/Security  
Augustana College  
639 38<sup>th</sup> Street  
Rock Island, IL 61201

**NATURE OF REQUEST:**

The Traffic Engineering Committee received a request from Chief Tom Phillis, Office of Public Safety/Security, Augustana College, to ban parking on both sides of 9th Avenue 34<sup>th</sup> to 35<sup>th</sup> Street, 9½ Avenue 34<sup>th</sup> to 35<sup>th</sup> Street, and 35<sup>th</sup> Street 9<sup>th</sup> to 9½ Avenue.

**MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES WARRANTS:**

Not Applicable

**CONTACTS WITH RESIDENTS:**

Homes in this area are owned by Augustana College.

**TRAFFIC STUDY INFORMATION:**

Parking is currently banned along the north side of 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Parking is also banned along the north and south side of 9 ½ Avenue (Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

**COST:**

The cost to the city is minimal.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Traffic Engineering Committee recommends that the City Council ban parking on both sides of 9th Avenue 34<sup>th</sup> to 35<sup>th</sup> Street, 9½ Avenue 34<sup>th</sup> to 35<sup>th</sup> Street, and 35<sup>th</sup> Street 9<sup>th</sup> to 9½ Avenue, and direct the city attorney to prepare the necessary paperwork.

**Submitted by:** Randall D. Tweet, Public Works Director  
Traffic Engineering Committee

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**Approved by:** Thomas Thomas, City Manager

No Parking Request - Augustana Center for Student Life



# Augustana College

July 26, 2013

Mike Kane, City Engineer  
City of Rock Island  
C/O Public Works  
1309 Mill Street  
Rock Island, IL 61201

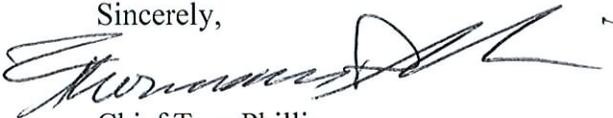
Mr. Kane,  
The construction project at the Augustana College Library and new 'Center for Student Life' (CSL) is nearing completion and as such, we are concerned about the access in the event of an emergency.

The roadway along 9<sup>th</sup> avenue and 9 1/2 avenue are narrow and would create a hazard for emergency vehicles should they have to respond to the library. Currently parking is restricted along 9<sup>th</sup> avenue and permitted along the south side of 9 1/2 avenue. The homes along 9 1/2 avenue are owned by the college and are used for student housing during the school year. Students park along the avenue and if a fire engine or multiple emergency units would have to respond to the library and/or CSL, there could be a delay due to the hampered access.

We are seeking the City of Rock Island's approval to enact an ordinance that would prohibit parking along both 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 9 1/2 avenue in order to allow the unobstructed approach of emergency vehicles. Our concerns have been discussed with Rock Island Fire Marshal Captain Greg Marty and the college is in support of such an ordinance.

On behalf of the Augustana College community, we appreciate your attention on this matter. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 309.794.7279 or at [tomphillis@augustana.edu](mailto:tomphillis@augustana.edu).

Sincerely,



Chief Tom Phillis  
Office of Public Safety/Security

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