

**Memorandum
Office of the City Clerk**

To: Thomas Thomas, City Manager
Subject: Rock Island High School – Request for Parking
Date: March 7, 2016



Attached is a letter from Rock Island High School Principal Tim Wernentin requesting that approximately five parking spaces be blocked off in front of the Stern Center at 1713 3rd Avenue for a Hummer limo on Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm for Rock Island High School's Junior/ Senior Prom.

In addition, Mr. Wernentin has stated that the Hummer limo that will be utilizing those spaces on that evening is 35 feet long and he is requesting that 50 to 60 feet of curb space be blocked off so that the limo can easily move in and out of the spaces safely and pull up to the curb and let the students in and out without stopping for traffic.

The purpose of the request is for the safety of the students attending prom.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council approve the request for the parking spaces and curb space for the Rock Island High School Junior/Senior Prom and authorize the Public Works staff to provide the barricades.

Submitted by: Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager



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Rock Island City Council Members
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Dear City Council Members,

Our Rock Island High School Junior/Senior prom is going to be extra special this year. Prom will be held on Saturday, April 23 in downtown Rock Island at the Stern Center and we are featuring a "Neon Nightclub" called "Club 309." Some of our students have never been to prom. One lucky group will even be able to earn a limo from 4-7 before the prom by doing good deeds at the high school.

As always, our primary concern is the safety of our students. Therefore we need your help to provide a safe entry and exit into the limo. We are asking if it would be possible to block off a series of parking spaces in front of the Stern Center for the evening. That way, the Hummer limo will be able to pull right up to the curb and let the students in and out without stopping traffic or risking their lives. The limo is 35 feet long, so we would need 50-60 feet of curb space to move easily in and out. The prom is from 7-11 so the space would be needed sometime before 7:00 p.m. to make sure it empties out in a timely manner. We will be done with the limo at 10:00 so after that time the spaces would again become available.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Tim Wernentin, Principal

