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Jefferson Lighthouse School parking issue

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The principal at Jefferson Lighthouse approached me regarding traffic issues at school dismissal time. I spoke to her and we came up with a possible solution.

The area in question is specifically Cliff Ave between Maple Street and W. 6th Street. Cliff Ave in that area does not appear to be wide enough for four vehicles (two in transport, one parked on either side of the street). There is signage on the east side of Cliff Ave indicating no parking during typical school hours. Parents completely disregard that sign and opt to follow the perimeter of the school in a clockwise fashion to pick up kids so the kids do not have to cross the street to get into the car.

The enforcement option does not seem to be successful. Regardless of how many parents I tell about the proper flow of traffic, If even one vehicle stops/stands on the east side of Cliff during those hours, it throws a wrench into the flow of traffic. The parents will just stop/stand there whenever a squad is not present.

A proposed suggestion would be to indicate no parking on the west side of Cliff Ave between W. 6th Street and Maple Street during the peak hours (3:45pm to 4:30pm). The downside would be that it penalizes the residents that live on the west side of Cliff Ave and they may begin parking in the flow of stopping/standing vehicles that are attempting to pick up children.

I ask for your consideration of the traffic issues and help me find a solution. It is only about a half hour every day but the school doesn't like it and it has posed a safety hazard.

Tim

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