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## Permit parking in Ridge Street neighborhood

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Paul:

Yes the permit parking was initiated when the campus was a full time residency university under Norwich. Students were parking on the street in the entire Kent-Ridge neighborhood rather than using the parking lot behind the gym and library buildings. It was not only a parking problem but also late night noise issue. The problem came to a head after illegally parked student cars jammed up the street so much fire trucks could not access a burning house in the neighborhood. The signs are a remnant of that era. That being said we now have an issue with illegally parked cars along the roads next to campus buildings mainly attributed to the dance studio and other community uses. It's amazing to me that people will park a car in front of a fire hydrant, on the side of the road clearly marked no parking and right up to the corners (marked with yellow no parking curbs and signs) restricting sight lines rather than park their car 30' further in a legal spot.

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