



# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Matthew R. Walsh, Director of Redevelopment, Downtown Services, and Special Projects

DATE: April 13, 2020

SUBJECT: Removal of 2 Hour Time Limit on School Street (Liberty Street to Pine Street)

### **Recommendation:**

Set the attached ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances Amend the Code of Ordinances; Title II, Traffic Code; Chapter 18, Parking, Article 18-1, Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 18-1-8, Parking Time Limited in Designated Places, Schedule III (Two Hours between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday), to remove the two hour time limit on School Street between Liberty and Pine streets for public hearing on May 11, 2020.

### **Background:**

On December 9, 2019, Michelle Radie-Coffin, owner of a duplex at 98-100 School Street, contacted City Administration concerning the two hour time limit on School Street between Liberty and Pine Street. Ms. Radie-Coffin purchased the property in July 2018. The property is a duplex.

Specifically, she was concerned that her tenant had recently received a ticket for violating the 2 hour time limit. Ms. Radie-Coffin stated that she has inadequate on-site parking for her property. She requested that the City enact an ordinance whereby her family and tenants would be exempt from the 2 hour limit. Alternatively, she suggested that the City remove the two hour limit.

The two hour time limit at this location was established in June 1996 to manage parking associated with Concord High School and former Dewey School (now the SAU 8 offices). The 2 hour ordinance is only valid Monday – Friday, 7AM to 6PM.

### **Discussion:**

On January 23, 2020, the Parking Committee met to review Ms. Radie-Coffin's concerns. It was noted that if the two hour time limit were to be eliminated, it is likely that student parking associated with the high school could increase and consume the available supply of parking.

Upon review, the Parking Committee voted unanimously to recommend elimination of the 2 hour time limit on School Street between Liberty and Pine streets.