



**VILLAGE
OF HINSDALE** FOUNDED IN 1873
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121 N. M. SYMONDS DRIVE

September 20, 2007

Dear Merchant:

The Village Board recently approved recommendations to improve the Village's permit parking program for a 90 day trial period beginning October 1, 2007. The changes are aimed at simplifying the Village's permit parking program by managing demand and maximizing the efficiency of the current spaces.

The following recommendations were approved:

- **No Duplicate Permits**-The Village has made a policy decision to discontinue the use of duplicate parking permits. The purpose of this change was not to generate more revenue but because it was impossible to monitor the use of multiple duplicate permits due to the expansive parking areas where permits can be used. You may still share permits between employees and the Police Department located at 121 Symonds Drive has agreed to be the exchange point for employees to pick-up and drop off permits. To do this, please drop off an envelope with your business name on it with your parking permit and instruct your employee of this procedure. Permits can be dropped off and picked up 24 hours a day.
- **Expanded Merchant Parking**-Merchant/employee parking areas have been allocated (as indicated in red) on both sides of the railroad tracks. Permit holders issued "red" permits will be allowed to park in any of the "red" areas on a first come first served basis.
- **Open Parking for Employees/Shoppers** The Village Lot (located north of the tracks between Washington and Lincoln Streets) is open to anyone including employees and shoppers after 9:15 a.m. Merchant permits are available at the Village Hall located at 19 E. Chicago Avenue for a limited time free of charge for Hinsdale Avenue west of Vine Street. Additionally, the Chestnut Street lot (located off Chestnut behind Grant Square) has parking available to anyone who uses the Pay box at a rate of .25 per hour for up to 12 hours.
- **Shopper Only Parking Added:** The Washington Lot has been designated as a "Shopper Only Lot" This lot is only available to shoppers. Shopper may park here by using the Pay



box at a rate of .25 per hour for up to six (6) hours. The Pay box accepts cash and both credit and debit cards. Also, Washington Street parking meters between Hinsdale Ave and First Street have been designated as “shopper only” Merchants and employees parking in either shopper only areas are subject to a \$25 dollar fine.

We are confident that these changes will add needed parking for your shoppers and will result in a more efficient use of available parking spaces. Our goal is to make it more convenient for shoppers to find parking close to their shopping destination and to meet the needs of shoppers wanting to park longer than the 2 hour meter time limits. However, we know that you and your employees play a key role in the success of this program. We need you to spread the word amongst your shoppers and employees. Working together we can make a difference.

Again, we apologize for any confusion during the implementation of this program. We will be monitoring the parking and if necessary making some minor changes as needed. As a reminder, permit spaces are available for Hinsdale Avenue west of Vine Street free of charge to merchants and employees.

If you have any questions regarding these recommendations, please contact Deputy Chief Mark Wodka at 630-789-7086.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bradley Bloom". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bradley Bloom
Chief of Police