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Thank you for your correspondence with the Town of Chapel Hill. The Mayor and Town Council are interested in what you have to say. By way of this email, I am forwarding your message to the Mayor and each of the Council Members, as well as to the appropriate staff person who may be able to assist in providing additional information or otherwise addressing your concerns.

Again, thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Petition to Make Existing No Parking Sections of Cobb Terrace Tow Away Zones

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To: The Mayor and Town Council

Petition to Make Existing No Parking Sections of Cobb Terrace Tow Away Zones

Cobb Terrace ("CT") is a small narrow one way circle with a single entrance and exit from the north end of Henderson Street. This is the sole access for emergency vehicles such as fire engines and ambulances. Built in the early 1900's, CT is

so narrow with turns so abrupt that it is barely navigable for large autos and small trucks. The only fire hydrant is at the northern of CT.

At it's widest, the pavement is only 20 feet wide. Residential parking is allowed on one side of the street on the western side of CT. It is illegal to park on the side of the street opposite these legal areas. When the legal spaces are occupied, there is barely room for emergency vehicles to pass. When cars are illegally parked opposite the legal parking areas it is impossible for these first responders to get to our homes or the fire hydrant. This generally happens on nights, weekends, and during special events on campus and downtown. Please see the attached photo and annotated map.

Any time cars are illegally parked on Cobb Terrace our health, safety and our properties are at risk due to limitations on access for first responders. When an emergency occurs, we will not have the time to wait for someone to deal with illegal parkers that have been ticketed and not towed.

On behalf of the CT neighborhood, I ask that the Town designate and enforce Tow Away Zones on CT in the existing No Parking areas shown by red lines in the annotated map below.

Note that this request has been supported by Town and CHPD staff that have met me at the site.

Joe Patterson
7 Cobb Terrace

Western side of Cobb Terrace looking northwest from Henderson St junction



Western side of Cobb Terrace looking southeast from fire hydrant toward downtown



Annotated map of Cobb Terrace with requested modifications to existing No Parking areas



Fire Hydrant

Cobb Terrace Parking Modifications Requested

No Parking - Tow Away Zone

Residential Parking Area

Areas shown by red lines are already No Parking Areas, however, they need to be Tow Away Zones as well. Cars parked here make the road too narrow for emergency vehicles like fire engines and ambulances as well as preventing access to the only fire hydrant on Cobb Terrace and therefore represent a serious health and safety hazard for residents and their property.

Only entrance and exit for Cobb Terrace residents

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Henderson Street 214

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