

**CITY OF MERRILL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.
City Hall Common Council Chambers
1004 East First Street**

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Public Comment
3. Presentation and discussion on airport runway agreement and real estate acquisition process (agenda item requested by Mayor Bialecki)
4. Discussion and policy direction on Code of Ordinances 113-168, related to off-street parking restrictions in residential areas (agenda item requested by Mayor Bialecki)
5. Adjournment

NOTE: It is possible that a quorum of the Common Council will be present at this meeting. However, no Common Council action will be taken.

Agenda prepared by City Clerk Bill Heideman
Agenda reviewed by City Administrator Dave Johnson

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Heideman, Bill

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Cc: Bialecki, Bill; Johnson, David; Pagel, Darin; Neff, Ken
Subject: COW Agenda

Please include Ord. # 113-168 on the COW Agenda, per the Mayor, for further discussion and policy direction.

Thanks



Sec. 113-168. - Off-street parking restrictions in residential areas.

- (a) *Where permitted.* Unless the district regulations provide otherwise, off-street vehicle parking is permitted in a residential district or any district where residential is the primary use in the following location:
- (1) An improved driveway of asphalt, concrete, gravel, or rotten granite not to exceed 30 feet in width extending from the right-of-way to an attached or detached accessory building with vehicles parked not nearer than five feet to a front property line or three feet to a side lot line.
 - (2) An improved pad adjacent to an accessory building not to exceed 12 feet in width and a length not to exceed that of the accessory building.
 - (3) In no case shall the improved parking or driveway area exceed ten percent of the total lot area. Improved parking and driveway areas in existence as of the date of this ordinance are considered existing nonconforming.
- (b) *Where overall housing plan and design substantially improved.* Regardless of the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the common council may permit off-street vehicle parking in any yard of a residential development where the overall housing plan and design for such development, in the judgment of the common council, is substantially improved thereby, as compared to where off-street parking is limited by subsection (a) of this section, and where sole access from such development is to local and collector streets. In this subsection, the term "substantially improved" means a substantial increase in the value of the property. Such permission shall be granted only after a conditional use proceeding under article IV of this chapter. No such permission shall be granted for any residential development which is adjacent to either a public right-of-way or other residences, unless sufficient and suitable screening is provided so as to prevent, to as great a degree as practicable, direct view of such off-street parking areas from such adjacent areas.
- (c) *Vehicle limitations.*
- (1) In a residential district, accessory off-street parking facilities provided for uses listed herein shall be solely for the parking of motor vehicles of patrons, occupants or employees.
 - (2) All vehicles parked on a residential lot shall be in a condition for safe and effective performance of the function for which they are designed.
 - (3) All motor vehicles parked on a residential lot shall display current license plates.
 - (4) Any trailer, camper, motorhome, boat or other recreational vehicles may not be parked on any street or right-of-way for more than three consecutive days in any district.

(Ord. No. 2011-12, 12-13-2011; Ord. No. 2012-09, § 1, 6-12-2012)