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Though I am unable to attend the February 24th Parking & Safety Committee Meeting in person, I would like to express my support for the proposed parking restrictions to Dogwood Drive. Parking is currently permitted on both sides of the street. Because Dogwood Drive is relatively narrow, this has created persistent challenges for traffic flow—most notably for the school buses that serve our neighborhood.

There have been multiple occasions when buses have struggled to pass safely due to vehicles parked on both sides. In some cases, neighbors have had to move their vehicles to allow the bus through. These ongoing issues have led the Delaware City Schools Transportation Department to consider discontinuing bus service on Dogwood Drive.

As a parent of children who rely on that service—two of whom board the bus before sunrise—the potential loss of a safe and accessible stop is concerning, not just for my family but for others in our community. Asking young students to walk to a farther bus stop in the dark is not a practical or safe alternative.

For these reasons, I want to voice my support for the recommendation to limit parking to one side of Dogwood Drive. This change could significantly improve traffic flow, ensure safe passage for school buses, city service vehicles, and emergency vehicles, and help preserve an essential service for families.

I appreciate the committee's attention to this matter, responsiveness to residents' concerns, and continued commitment to community safety. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kristen Schoeff