



**Ravenna City Council  
Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting Minutes  
May 15, 2023**

**The public meeting was held in person in Council Chambers.**

Council present: Council President Andrew Kluge, Amy Michael, Rob Kairis, Paul Moskun, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West, Matt Harper

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Finance Director, Brian Huff; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; Cliff Soudil, Larry Silenius, John MacFarland, Lou Dudek

**The Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Matt Harper.**

**The first item was accepting an easement from Firm Foundation Ministries.**

Mr. Harper stated that the item is for an easement at a church on Jefferson St.

Mr. Finney stated that the item is to install a new sidewalk to increase parking space as part of a project next year.

- The item was moved forward.

**The second item was a discussion about tree lawn parking.**

Mr. Finney stated that his department has trouble enforcing tree lawn parking and stated that he felt it was important to know how Council feels about it.

Mr. Rose stated that he and Mr. Finney are showing example pictures of residential parking to help showcase the variety of situations that they encounter. He explained that examples include permit parking for a gravel area on Spruce St., a widened driveway that was approved, some residential houses without driveways and explained that many of the houses were built when families only had one car which has created a modern day problem.

Mr. Finney read codified ordinance section 452.13 regarding tree lawn parking.

Mr. Kluge stated that if the department would like to change things they should come and request a change in the ordinance. He added that he thinks that permits for parking should be moved to City Hall from the Building Department and that any recommendations for changes should be submitted in writing.

- The item was for discussion only.

**Management Update**

Ms. Dubinsky stated that there are “No Parking” signs located on a few streets that are not listed in the codified ordinances and asked whether Council thought she should take down the signs or if the streets should be added to the codified ordinance books.

Mr. Harper stated that the signs should be taken down and the City can address any issues in the future if they occur.

**There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Clerk of Council**

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**Matt Harper, Chairperson  
Streets & Sidewalks Committee**