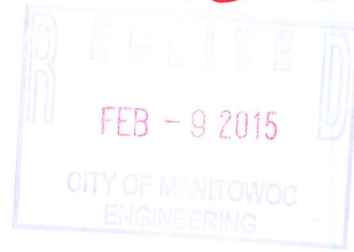


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Dear Mr. Minikel,

The downtown parking situation has been discussed many times in the past, and I realize that it is something not easily fixed. There are many businesses downtown, and it is difficult for employees to park close to their place of business and still leave room for customers. I totally understand the need for limited parking on the major streets and the busier side streets with many different businesses; however, here is my dilemma.

I work full time for the Capitol Civic Centre in the Administrative Office on the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Jay Streets. There are only three people who work in this office along with occasional volunteers on certain days of the week. It literally takes me 12 steps from where I park my car to the front door to our office. The problem is, there is only 2 hour parking on Jay Street between 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Streets. We try to move our cars every two hours, but many times it just doesn't work out.

I have gotten many parking tickets over the course of the 17 years I have been employed at the Capitol, which is the largest complex in the downtown area. My issue is that we are not taking parking spots away from shoppers. Our customers normally park on 8<sup>th</sup> Street and there are a few spots close to 8<sup>th</sup> Street designated for Manitowoc Pharmacies customers. Anyone who might visit our office is generally not there long enough to have to worry about getting a ticket. When my co-worker and I received tickets last Thursday, there was no one parked on Jay Street from the time our cars were marked at 10:20 am until the time we left work at 5:30 pm. So you can see that shoppers are not even parking on that street at all.

I would appreciate it very much if you could look into this situation for me. There are four parking spaces in front of our office. If the limited parking time could be removed from those spaces, there would still be plenty of room for others to park. At no time is this section of Jay Street ever full. Most of the time, it is about 90% empty.

Thank you in advance for looking into this situation for me, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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