



# MANITOWOC CHIEFS FOOTBALL INC.

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Mayor and Common Council:

Last year the Chiefs Football Inc. requested approval, and received such, from the Common Council (8/18/14), to install a parking lot across the street from the Chiefs Club on Clay Pit Rd. on property owned by the railroad. The railroad had given us the go ahead and this last week we hired a contractor to complete the project.

Some questions arose last week during the construction from Paul Braun and Greg Minikel as to whether or not a Site Plan should be required. When this project was thought of by the Chiefs Board, Dick Orth (recently passed away) took on the project getting railroad approval and submitting a layout. According to SMI we could only go so big as to stay under the Storm Water mandates, and the City required permits for the curb cutting and erosion control. Both of which we received.

As you are aware, we are a non-profit 501C(3) organization that derives 99% of its operating funds from fundraisers and membership. We built this parking lot as a safety relief from the traffic issues that occur during our youth football season (August- October). We were asked if we were going to pave or blacktop this lot as per City ordinance. I guess we are asking the City Council to look at this lot as a temporary seasonal lot, and allow us to leave it graveled as a temporary lot since we do not generate those kind of monies. We do not plan on plowing it over the winter and look at this project 2 fold. One as some relief on the parking issues during the Football Season and games during early August thru early October and to clean up the area which was on and off being used as a dumping area for tires, lawn waste and other garbage.

We hope to put signage up as well as directions to maximize the parking spaces available. This past Saturday, we had much usage and got about a 28-33 space usage during the 9 hr turn over day.

We are requesting the City Council to waive the Site Plan requirements (site plan drawing and paving of the parking area) for this unique situation.

As always, feel free to contact myself at the number listed below.

Thank You!!!

Gary J Dworak Treasure Football Inc.

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## Sonja Birr

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**From:** David Soeldner  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 01, 2015 7:37 AM  
**To:** Greg Minikel  
**Cc:** Matt Smits; Dan Koski; Sonja Birr  
**Subject:** RE: Chief's Football - New Parking Area

I should add that I don't think that this is a big deal and I'm pretty sure that the Committee will be OK with it, so while we should invite Mr. Dworak to the meeting as a matter of policy and courtesy, we should not make him feel like he needs to be there to defend his position. The letter pretty much sums it up.

Thanks,

Dave Soeldner | Alderman, District 8 | City of Manitowoc | 920-629-6444 | [www.manitowoc.org](http://www.manitowoc.org)

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**From:** Greg Minikel  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2015 10:20 AM  
**To:** David Soeldner  
**Cc:** Greg Minikel; Matt Smits; Dan Koski; Sonja Birr  
**Subject:** Chief's Football - New Parking Area

Hi Dave,

About two weeks ago, the Contractor who is constructing the new parking area for the Chief's came into City Hall to get the permits for cutting the curb and erosion control.

Matt and I talked to Paul Braun about the project and he was questioning us about a site plan and if they are going to pave the parking area. We were unsure whether or not they planned to pave the lot.

Last August, the Chief's asked the Council for permission to build this lot. The Council approved (8/18/14) their request to move forward with the project as long as they obtained the necessary permits.

Paul and I met with Gary Dworak last week to discuss the project including the possible paving of the lot and some questions that we had about signage for the entrance and exit only and suggested they install signs to say angle parking only. We also questioned what they are planning to do with the steep slope on the east side of the lot. They plan to install a small berm for this area. I also suggested that Gary write a letter that we could bring to the PI Committee/Council with their request for the City to waive the site plan requirements. See the attached letter from Gary Dworak.

Since the Municipal Code requires a site plan for parking lots and also requires it to be paved, we would like the Committee/Council to make a decision on this request from the Chief's to waive the site plan requirements.

Therefore, we would like to add this request to the Sept. PI Comm. agenda. The other option would be for the Mayor to approve the adding of this item to the Council agenda without going to the Committee first.

If you would like it to go directly to Council could you write to Mayor Nickels with the request or I could write him as well if you are O.K. with going that route. Let me know. Thanks.