From:	Greg Leck
To:	Laura Pollick
Cc:	Holly Licht; Greg Jenson; Lisa Reeves
Subject:	RE: Concerns about idling cars
Date:	Thursday, March 5, 2020 1:15:06 PM

Unfortunately, it is not quite that easy! I will have this put on the agenda for discussion at the next Public Safety Committee Meeting. The Committee will meet **on Wednesday, 3-25-20 at 6:00 pm. In the Hall of Fame Room** of the Old City Hall building. They have to hear and recommend Ordinance changes to the City Council before any Ordinance can be changed. You are welcome to attend and express your thoughts to the Committee at that time.

Commercial/Business areas will be a little tricky because of the amount of deliveries that take place to the businesses. But, we can discuss that with the Committee.

Thank you for your input.

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From: Laura Pollick [mailto:lwpollick@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Greg Leck <GLeck@ci.stoughton.wi.us>
Subject: Re: Concerns about idling cars

Problem solved, change the language.

ec. 70-8. - Parked vehicle with motor running.

No person shall leave any motor vehicle at any location in the city zoned residential or commercial with residential units with the motor running or with any generator or unit operating unless such motor vehicle is occupied or attended by a competent person

On Thu, Mar 5, 2020, 12:48 PM Laura Pollick <lwpollick@gmail.com> wrote:

> So a sign can't be posted? It might not have any weight about it but it might be enough to make people to turn off the engines.
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> On Thu, Mar 5, 2020, 12:41 PM <GLeck@ci.stoughton.wi.us> wrote:

Ms Pollick

The City does have an Ordinance that addresses vehicles left running and unattended (see below). As you can see by the ordinance, you might have an issue with this not being enforceable where you reside, as your location is zoned Commercial/Retail. Often though, we can make contact and encourage people to not let their vehicle idle excessively.

To make a complaint, you would need to call the police department (608-873-3374 non-emergency #) and make the complaint when it is occurring and provide a description of the vehicle.

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Currently the City does not have an ordinance making it illegal to leave keys inside the vehicle.

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From: Lisa Reeves
Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 4:34 PM
To: Laura Pollick <lwpollick@gmail.com>; Greg Leck <GLeck@ci.stoughton.wi.us>
Subject: RE: Concerns about idling cars

Hello Laura,
From a safety standpoint, it certainly makes sense to turn off the car and lock it to avoid having a vehicle stolen. However, I don't believe we have an ordinance requiring it. I'm going to defer to our Chief of Police Mr. Leck to advise us for certain.

Lisa

Sent from my Galaxy Tab A

-------- Original message --------
From: Laura Pollick <lwpollick@gmail.com>
Date: 3/3/20 12:34 PM (GMT-06:00)
To: Lisa Reeves <LReeves@ci.stoughton.wi.us>
Subject: Concerns about idling cars

Thank you for your response to my email regarding snow plowing on Main Street. I do have one other large concern and that is with cars idling on Main Street.

Specifically I'm talking about 288 East Main Street. My apartment #1 and the apartment right next to mine #2 have windows less than 9 feet from parking on Main Street. People leave their cars idling to run into apartments, the library or more often the post office. The problem is the exhaust goes directly and I do mean directly into my apartment. You can drive by and see the windows in relation to the street. Most businesses don't have windows that open up directly on the Main Street so I don't think it's an issue for many but for me it really is. I haven't spent the summer here before, this is my first winter in this apartment, and even with my windows closed I can tell when somebody is idling outside.

I'm extremely concerned about when I'm going to be opening the windows which should be soon. I believe the only way that this might be rectified is if the Village puts up a "No Idling" sign, the perfect place would be right on the lamp post in front of my apartment and there's one more sign that could be attached to a little further down.

I would be glad to talk further with you or someone else from the village. I really hope it can get some serious consideration. Thank you so much I've got nowhere else to turn.

Laura Pollick
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On Wed, Feb 19, 2020, 6:54 PM <LReeves@ci.stoughton.wi.us> wrote:

> Thanks for your emails Laura. Based on your address, I believe you reside in District 2. Phil Caravello, Jean Ligocki and myself all serve on City Council representing District 2.
> Your email is timely as I recently advocated for a new sidewalk on a street that does not have one, in particular because I was concerned about elderly and folks with disabilities having to walk in the street as opposed to a sidewalk. (It was approved and a sidewalk will be installed).
> I also happen to walk almost daily even in the winter, so clear sidewalks are near and dear to my heart!
> Please feel free to contact me and/or any one of us on Council with concerns as they arise.
> Lisa Reeves
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> Sent from my Galaxy Tab A
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> -------- Original message --------
> From: Laura Pollick <lwpollick@gmail.com>
> Date: 2/19/20 3:34 PM (GMT-06:00)
> To: Council <Council@ci.stoughton.wi.us>

Subject: Plowing

A follow up from yesterday's email I sent. I received a very thoughtful response from Brett Hebert, and the curbs were all plowed this morning. I know the plowing wasn't in response to my email. I do appreciate the timing of it and I do appreciate that it is done though.

I am relatively new in town. I'm not familiar with city council members and committees, but I do hope that people with disabilities and the elderly are well-represented so that our concerns can be sure to be addressed. We don't know what we don't know, and if you don't have a disability, sometimes it's hard to foresee a problem.

Thank you.

Laura Pollick
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