

**UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE
SPECIAL PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING
Thursday, April 10, 2025 6:00pm
East Conference Room #337
651 Prairie Pointe Drive, Yorkville, IL**

In Attendance:

Chairman Dan Transier
Alderman Seaver Tarulis

Alderman Craig Soling
Alderman Chris Funkhouser via Zoom

Other City Officials in Attendance:

Police Chief Jim Jensen

Others in Attendance:

Von Mendiola, Grande Reserve
Isaac Mendoza, Grande Reserve

Eduardo Mendiola, Grande Reserve
Michele Breyne, Grande Reserve School Principal

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Dan Transier

Citizen Comments: None

Old Business:

***1. PS 2025-09 Regulations of Time-Restricted Parking –
Grande Trail by Grande Reserve Elementary***

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss proposed parking restrictions on the streets by Grande Reserve School in an effort to make it safer for children at arrival and pick-up times.

Isaac Mendoza of 3029 McLellan said his family frequently uses the street for parking since there are multiple drivers in the household. When they have their vehicles parked there, he said it does not block the flow of traffic as he has observed from his Ring camera system. He asked how it would help the situation to revoke parking during the specified hours. Chairman Transier said the restriction would only be a few hours during the day and parking is still allowed on the opposite side of the street from the school. The suggested restricted hours are 7:30am to 9:00am and 2:30pm to 4:00 pm on school attendance days. Chief Jensen said parents now park on both sides of the street and kids run across the street to their waiting ride which creates a dangerous situation. Mr. Mendoza noted that parents block his driveway. Chief Jensen clarified that the parking restriction would only be on Grande Trail from Matlock to McLellan.

Ms. Michele Breyne, the Principal of Grande Reserve Elementary, said she sends messages to parents about the parking and asks them to not block driveways. As the population grew in that area, she began to hear complaints from the residents. Mr. Eduardo Mendiola said the bus stop across from him is perfect because there is no nearby driveway. He said the safety of the children is the most important. Mr. Von Mendiola added that he also has a big family with many cars.

Chief of Police Jim Jensen will speak with City Administrator to see if any comments were received at city hall and this proposal will be forwarded to the City Council. If approved, an

ordinance will be drafted, signs posted and enforcement will begin. Violators will be asked to move their cars first and the next step after a warning, is a ticket if there is non-compliance. He said most comments come from the residents through the HOA in the area and they want the restrictions due to the danger for the kids.

Chairman Transier asked Principal Breyne to inform the parents. She said she serves as a crossing guard in the mornings and takes the kids across Constitution to Grande Trail. She tries to encourage the proper places to cross. Chief Jensen asked Ms. Breyne to work with his command staff on a map that indicates where there is no parking and also the suggested crossing routes. The police will post the map on social media.

Mr. Eduardo Mendiola asked if there is a group of volunteer parents to help with the crossing. There currently is not and the schools just took over the crossing duties. He said the most dangerous entrance to Grande Reserve is the busy one next to the school.

Mr. Mendoza said there is a stop sign by his residence and he suggested a possible 3-way stop due to the number of cars. Chief Jensen asked him to send an email to the Chief so he can forward it to other city staff for consideration.

This matter will be forwarded to City Council.

Additional Business: None

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:17pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Marlys Young, Minute Taker