



Mike's Place Recommendation

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MIKE'S PLACE

6319 W. Roosevelt Road, Berwyn IL

Mike's Place is geographically located on Roosevelt Rd. between Cuyler Ave. and Highland Ave. in Berwyn. On the Berwyn side, Cuyler Ave. is a one-way northbound, residential street lined with both a multi-unit building and single-family houses. Highland Ave is a dead-end residential street lined with both multi-unit buildings and single-family houses.



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Cuyler Ave on Berwyn side,
One-way northbound, attached
townhouses



Highland Ave on Berwyn side,
with a cul-de-sac and multi-
unit residential buildings



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- One of many bars/nightclubs at this location in the past 15 years.
- Minority-owned business.
- Hours of operations: Friday and Saturday, 10pm – 2am
- Randomly hosts special events.
- Has no designated parking lot and limited street parking.

COMPLAINTS

Since operating primarily as a bar, the location has been the source of numerous complaints from Oak Park residents that live on the 1150 blocks of S Cuyler Ave, S. Highland Ave. and S. Harvey Ave.

- Excessive nightly parking
- Unruly behavior
- Fighting
- Littering
- Urination
- Public Intoxication

PAST RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS

In early 2020, the Community Policing Unit utilized the S.A.R.A. (Scan, Analyze, Respond, Assess) model to identify the root cause and address the residents' concerns with parking complaints, excessive noise and littering from Mike's patrons.

- Mike's patrons were initially parking in the Dollar Tree's parking lot located at 6226 Roosevelt Rd.
- Collaborated with the residents to secure 'Resident Only' parking restrictions on the 1150 blocks of S. Cuyler Ave., S. Highland Ave. Harvey Ave. as a solution to combat the parking complaints.
- Parking Enforcement Officers and the beat officers were assigned to conduct strict parking enforcement.
- Mike's Place agreed to notify the police department of any special events.
- Closely monitored the area when special events were hosted.

PAST RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS

Community Engagement

- Met with residents from the area.
- Met with Berwyn Police Department Administration.
- Met with the owner of Mike's Place.
- Held a Town Hall Meeting

VIOLENT INCIDENTS

1. May 30, 2022, 1:00 am
Shooting on 1150 block of S. Cuyler Ave.
2. November 25, 2022, 12:43 am
Shooting in front of Mike's Place in Berwyn.
3. November 27, 2022, 12:48 am
Large group of aggressive, uncooperative subjects fighting in the street in Berwyn

CURRENT RESPONSE

Effective January 2023, the Police Department initiated an overtime detail designed to provide a consistent, sustained and highly visible police presence on weekends near Mike's Place.

- Three officers are assigned to stationary posts on the 1150 S. blocks of Cuyler, Highland and Harvey.
- Operational every Friday and Saturday night between 9:00 pm and 3:00 am.
- Officers' primary responsibilities are to advise patrons of the parking restriction and direct them to park elsewhere.
- Positive feedback, but not sustainable and cost prohibitive.

RECOMMENDATION

- Adopt the ordinance establishing a parking in tow zones restriction with limited exceptions.
- Ordinance 15-1-28, Parking in a Tow Zone
- Residents with active Village Vehicle License.
- Also could obtain guest passes through ParkOakPark application.
- The Police Department has a contract with the current towing company at no additional cost to tow all vehicles violating the parking restriction.

RECOMMENDATION

Advantages:

- Relieve officers from the stationary post;
- Encourage the public to follow the parking restriction;
- Improve the quality of life for residents in the area;
- Reduce the calls for service.

Disadvantage:

- Patrons will return, find their vehicles have been towed, become upset, and may cause a disturbance.

ALTERNATIVE - A

“Parking in a Tow Zone,” No Exceptions

Advantage:

- The tow truck drivers would not have to verify if the vehicle owner is a guest.

Disadvantage:

- The residents’ guests are subject to the same restrictions.

ALTERNATIVE - B

Continue with Stationary Post

Advantage:

- Restore peace in the area;
- Officer's Presence in the area;
- Minimized parking violators.

Disadvantage:

- Not sustainable due to staffing restraints;
- Cost prohibitive.

ALTERNATIVE - C

Monitor the Area without Stationary Post

Advantage:

- Police Presence
- No added cost

Disadvantage:

- Increase calls for service
- High probability of violent incidents
- Increase parking violators.

NEXT STEPS

- Public Notice - Install signage
- Community Engagement - Notify the residents of the modified ordinance and the tow zones.
- Enhanced Enforcement - Police Presence during the initial implementation of the tow zones.
- Proactive Communication – Notify Mike’s Place and request they warn their patrons of the tow zone.
- Monitor and Evaluate - Staff will continue to monitor the area and evaluate the effectiveness of the tow zone.
- Speed Table -The installation of the speed table on the 1150 block of S. Cuyler Ave. is scheduled for summer 2023.

QUESTIONS?

