## MEMORANDUM

To: Jerry Barberio, Village Manager

From: Daniel J. Sarnoff, Deputy Village Manager

Re: Commercial Vehicle Parking in Off-Street Village

Parking Lots

Date: January 16, 2024

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As part of the Budget Process for the 2023/24 General Fund Budget, the Board of Trustees adopted a fees and charges schedule which contained several new fees, one of which was a permit fee for commercial vehicles. The purpose of the permit was to establish a fee for the parking of commercial and recognize that the allowance for parking commercial vehicles was tantamount to subsidizing business as monthly parking for commercial trucks was typically in the league of several hundred dollars per month per vehicle. Additionally, the heavy weight of commercial trucks is more impactful on the asphalt surface of the parking lot, and if a commercial truck is parking in a space all day, it makes it difficult for any other passenger car to park on either side, as many of these commercial trucks are almost as wide as the physical parking space, making it difficult for people to enter or exit their vehicle when parked next to a truck, essentially, each commercial truck taking up 2-3 spaces.

The larger question that staff would like to review with the Board is whether commercial vehicles should be allowed to park in the village's off-street lots. As noted, by making this allowance, the Village is essentially providing a subsidy of business expense for the operators of these trucks, offering a rate which is typically much less than provided by the private sector.

Second, each truck occupies a space that could be used by a patron or employee of the business in the Village. When parking is limited, it affects the mix of village businesses. When there is a lack of parking available, it disincentivizes businesses that require more patrons and attracts businesses that would be classified as high-end. Examples would include real estate offices, jewelers, fashion boutiques, salons, etc.

As such, I respectfully request that this item be placed on the January 22, 2024, work session agenda for review and discussion with the Board. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact me.