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UWM area? \*\*\* There are cars parked in the couple blocks surrounding me that sit there for weeks or months, even though they have no tags, expired tags, broken or no windows, etc. Having them towed is an exercise in futility, dealing with the attitude of the correct city department. \*\*\* I can't remember when the last street sweeper came through here, though I think it's been within the last 3 months. \*\*\* Trash sits in the street for weeks. One pile of brush blocked half the street, was difficult to see at night (so was quite dangerous), and took over a month to be picked up. \*\*\* Once again, money wins out. This is a very poor, mostly black neighborhood. The area surrounding UWM is quite the opposite. \*\*\* I'm not signing the petition, but I think there are better answers than RPP. \*\*\* Krysta Sutterfield Krysta@uwm.edu \*\*\*

654. The parking here on UWM campus is crazy enough and sometimes the parking people get a bit carried away with their ticketing. I am very careful with where I park and how long I am parking in one spot, however some classes go longer than intended and by the time you make it to your car, you have a ticket when it's only been a few minutes. Parking at UWM is impossible and exceedingly expensive! There needs to be some improvements!

655. UWM-Milwaukee has been a part of the east side for decades. Any resident of the east side around campus should have known full and well what they should expect as far as the limited parking when they moved in. Most of them have private drive ways or parking structures. many of the people living around campus are students, and therefore don't care. I'm against the RPP bill because you are catering to a privileged few who most likely have a lot more money than college students, and are willing to donate to your cause should you make them happy. Why are you so against the university? Don't you realize having the 2nd largest UW school in the state in your district is a good thing. It's the future Mr. Alderman.

656. Now-a-days, we don't have much of a choice other than to go to school and get a degree in order to go anywhere in life. My point is, we're already forced to pay ridiculous amounts of money in tuition, as well as for books, parking, etc. I am constantly getting parking tickets, along with all other students, because of the limited parking space. If there were to be even LESS parking available and if this "plan" were put into action, I can't even imagine how many more tickets would be given to poor college students, as well as a multitude of other problems it would bring. I often wonder why so many families and regular residents live right on or very near UWM campus. For one, they take up housing that college students desperately need, and for two, they have complaints about living on campus i.e. not enough parking available to them. I think someone should say "TOO BAD" to those people. This campus belongs to US, the students, who pay far too much every semester for tuition.

657. there is hardly enough parking as it is. parking in the union garage is a rip off and even when we do park on the road we get tickets. do something about it.

658. Stop making money on the backs of students. We'll be paying enough in taxes once we are full time employees in the work force. These parking fines are basically taxation without representation.

659. eat me old man

660. Mr. D'Amato - While the RFP proposal provides a nice benefit to residents in and around the UWM campus, you must consider the students who commute. Homes around the east side of campus are not particularly modest. The reality is that the people who need the break are the students, not those paying \$400,000 and up on luxury east side homes.

661. Stop discriminating on students that need to drive and park down at campus, for

some students that is there only option for getting to class. We as students spend a lot of money to get our education and we deserve the right to park on streets around campus!!

662. I think that it is completely unfair to the students to take away more of the parking spots. The spots are time regulated and with a permit residents are able to keep their spot on the street all day. Street parking is not a piece of property owned by the resident and there for should be treated as first come first serve. Does the students of UWM not have enough to worry about???

663. The problem is that they are taking "free" spots and replacing them with indorr spots for which students and staff will need to pay. It is not a one-for-one swap.

664. With limited parking in the residential campus area alone, it is hard enough to find parking, seeing the situation worsen due to tighter restrictions and enforcement would not help the situation in the least. If anything, the restrictions should be lessened and the parking enforcement budget should be reduced to alleviate the loss of revenue usually generated by tickets. Street cleaning and garbage removal ordinances should be maintained in this instance.

665. no more parking tickets!!!!!! i know that statement will do no effect and that nothing will be change and i feel like this is a waste of my time doing this goal-less surveys. i apologized for my frustration...

666. To stop messing around with the lives of UWM students.

667. Students that are considering attending UWM are already concerned with the parking situation, if it gets worse, it will deter students from attending here. We need to work to fix the problem, not make it worse!

668. You should be ashamed of yourself. The amount of ticketing and towing going on is rediculous. We are just young adults trying to get higher education. Fee's are already high and parking is scarce. The last thing hard working students need are tickets and even worse their car being towed. I bet you go to sleep with a smile on your face.

669. no

670. Without decent public transportation, those of us who live far off campus have no other choice but to drive in.

671. The majority of UWM students commute from home, and most have no other option of transportation other then driving themselves. For many, the only other option is a 45 minit or longer bus ride. Taking away parking will add unnecessary difficulties for students in getting not only to class, but for those who must have a job to help pay for school, thier work house will have to be cut. This will also greatly cut down on students valuable study time, resulting in lower grades and increased stressed, not to mention loss of sleep. RPP is unfair and unjust.

672. Mike, We all voted against you because you do things like this. If you have such a problem with students, petition for the school to get shut down, not for students to lose more.

673. The lack of parking availability is already irritating. Especially when students have jobs and many are off campus thus, requiring a car to get to those jobs. So to take away the parking that we have (which is not much) is unfair and ridiculous considering the amount we as students pay for tuition, books, rent etc.

674. Yes, exactly, we already have to pay tuition and the ticketing is getting extreme.

675. Make more room for parking for us students or else tell the parking meter person to stop coming around to give us tickets.

676. I think that if this is going to be free to the residents...and that on-street parking for the local residents is free to those residents and should worry about time or tickets
677. Quit trying to put more stress and hardship on students. They are trying to concentrate on their studys and shouldn't have to worry about where to park and when they need to move their car. The "cleaning of the streets" twice a month was another dumb idea that cost students a lot of money. Get over trying to rip students off and put your energy elsewhere. Get money an honest way and support those who want to further their education.
678. Nex time we vote, Well I guess you can probably guess that you are not going to get my vote!!! Have a little decencey and be a little more creative to create captiatl instead of picking on college students trying to get an education. Normally this may slide under the table, but your dealing with educated people on this matter, watch out!!!
679. UWM has a huge parking problem already. It would be bull shit to put further restrictions on us. While I am understanding that the residents here deserve their own parking, it must be remembered that students need parking as well. i have heard about the parking project under the one of the buildings here, designed to be 5 stories deep. if this does indeed occur, than RPP would be alright IF the new undergroud parking was free to uwm students, or to uwm students with a parking permit. But intil the underground is complete, students must be allowed to park on the streets.
680. I do not condone the use of automobiles in the first place. More people should use unmotorized transportation, ie bicycles. Or mass transit should be better utilized. Two wheels good, four wheels bad. Enough said.
681. Students at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee have a hard enough time worrying about parking. The residents of this area know that they are moving into or living in a college area. If they are upset about their parking situation, perhaps they should consider moving elsewhere.
682. I think it makes sense to provide parking for those residents paying property taxes in the City of Milwaukee. That stated, I believe the city needs to stop treating its citizens like mere sources of revenue and begin adopting more sensible parking time limits and ticket policies.
683. We are residents of this community too. We should have just the same rights to park where we want to along with the people that choose to live around and near and on campus. Mike D'Amato has always been out to make UWM students lives a living hell.
684. I don't agree with having to pay for any parking other than ramps or metered parking lots. I have never seen the half an hour parking limit on any other campus. Most students from other UW schools have never recieved a parking ticket. I know that I have paid well over \$500 in over night, parking permits, towing expenses, and random bogus parking tickets. I don't think it is right. It isn't fair to students like me who are tying to afford college, rent, insurances, utility bills, or other personal bills through working 40 hour weeks and taking classes full time at UWM. There has to be a limit to these parking tickets!
685. none
686. It's just not fair
687. With RPP, students may consider other school's as an option which effects the community and city as far as taxes. Already UWM is having financial problems and by inconveniencing the students, the University will only lower in terms of

student appeal.

688. if the money of the tickets would go to the university or somewhere i could use it, like for tuition, then i'd be all for it. but until then, stop asking us for money
689. Most residents in the area have driveways and garages. UWM is "milwaukee's college", we drive here from all over the city, while still working and carrying on the rest of our life. We need parking because we need to be on-campus but live off-campus.
690. Students that need to commute to school must be able to park somewhere near to their classes. Taking away 720 spaces is quite a bit and is not necessary.
691. It would be in the best interest of the community to attract as many candidates to the UWM system as possible. Parking, especially for commuters, is a major issue. While RPP may sound like a solution to one problem, it will create an even bigger long-term problem. The long-term solution would seem to be the creation of a large multi-tiered parking structure in and around the UWM campus. This will solve both issues.
692. The housing around the campus should be used primarily for student housing, why people hoot and hollar and complain about loudness and students in the area is beyond my perception when they live right next to a university. What do you all expect college students to do? If you go to any other campus equal or larger in size you will find housing in the immediate area that has been specifically subsidized for students, except in the 5th district, you have to drink red bull and have wings to get around there without being hassled one way or another. Students can't even study because they are too worried about their car, or bus time rather than homework deadlines.
693. The residents of that area made a conscious decision to purchase a home next to a major, urban university. You should focus your time on lobbying the city for additional funds to perhaps build a parking ramp etc....not take away parking spaces in an already impossible parking situation....
694. I just think it is crazy that we give all this money and we get tickets for parking our cars on streets so we can go to class, learn and get a degree. Ticketing students and towing their cars is not a way to get money for the city. Why don't you go and take money from people who can actually afford it.
695. Are you F\*cking serious??? You want to take MORE parking spaces away from UWM students? There's never anywhere to park to begin with!! If you're going to keep us from parking on the streets you're going to have to find another place to put us...the remote parking lots, the bus passes...they're not good enough. Parking is already a BIG issue when it comes to choosing a university to attend and with every parking space you take away, you drive more and more people right PAST your pathetic city and away from UWM to other universities and other cities that are trying to solve their problems, not create them.
696. I think that there should be more parking available for uwm students that is on campus. We should not have to park a mile or two away that makes it a risk for us of being late to class and missing important notes. Even if we arrive 30-45 minutes before our class we drive around most of that time looking for a parking space, we should have more parking lots on campus at a reasonable price.
697. I'm sick of people parking in front of my house. Because I live on campus, it is a zoo every day. I pay for this property, why should I have to deal with people's cars in front of my house every minute of every day. I support your RPP plan.
698. Find another method of income. We are already overwhelmed by steadily increasing tuition.

799.	It is already difficult enough to find adequate parking near the UWM campus. Since most UWM students commute to campus, it is important to take into consideration these students' needs and try to accommodate both students and area residents as best you can. I do not believe the RPP project is the best solution to this problem, therefore other methods should be further researched.
700.	RPP would take away from the already scarce parking resources for commuting student
701.	His ideas are always bad. If he wants something productive to do, he should propose that UWM lower tuition...
702.	Even though I live very close to campus, and have a garage to park in, I believe that UWM should be responsible for the students who have to commute. Yes, the east side is mainly known for UWM, but people also live here, and they pay rent and taxes, and deserve a space to park.
703.	I would like to say about parking in general that there is not enough spots period for each house to park. I live on Oakland I live with two other people and then three others live below us. We get 3 garage spots and only 2 street spots, well each one of us have and need a car here, but they say they cant compensate for each of us to get a spot when I believe we should be able to get one more street spot so one person isnt screwed. But I am.
704.	This is fucking stupid
705.	I think this is rediculous. THERE IS NO PARKING AVAILABLE IN MILWAUKEE SURROUNDING THE UWM CAMPUS. How can you say now that you are going to tow and ticket my car when I AM AT CLASS. way to discourage the education process.
706.	Freshman have rights too, let us have cars
707.	Students need parking options within the surrounding neighborhoods of UWM. Restricting parking along the streets of UWM neighborhoods penalizes students who have few parking options. Perhaps a better way to solve the parking problem is to work more closely with UWM to build alternative parking structures and/or to improve Milwaukee Public Transportation via a light-rail system.
708.	LET US PARK FOR FREE!!!!!!
709.	As a city of Milwaukee resident, I think it is ridiculous to try and eliminate additional parking spaces for UWM students. UWM should be considered a resource in our community and its students already pay enough in parking tickets and other expenditures to allow Milwaukee to prosper. This type of stuff makes students more ready to apply to other universities so they do not have to undergo the hassles that going to UWM entails.
710.	It's hard enough to park already, why take away the spots. This is a university and there isn't enough housing so we all have to drive to school, don't take away our parking.
711.	Parking is hard enough to find around campus. Students have enough to worry about as it is, and when parking can cost over 20 bucks a week or can result in tickets this is very stressful and not conducive to learning. Students should have more places to park, and free places to park at that - places that are near the campus and where we can park for over 2 hours, so that we can actually attend the entire class period without having to worry about our car, a ticket, running to the car to move it ,etc. It is such a hassle to think about where to park at UWM sometimes that it ruins the excitement of going to class - parking should not be this much of a problem, and I cannot imagine anyone doing anything, on purpose,

that would make it more of a problem for students. So, please don't.

712. One is aware of the surroundings while buying a house. When buying a house next to a university it is a given that there will be students parking near it. Some students commuting have no other options, such as myself. The money that each student puts in the meter benefits Wisconsin, I do not see the problem with this.

713. For Milwaukee being such a commuter school, it's unfortunate that there is nothing really being done to cater to these students...

714. parking sucks as is

715. Quit trying to fuck over the students.

716. Some students need parking. They don't live anywhere near Milwaukee so bussing home is out of the question. I know I would like to see my family more, but can not because there are no parking spaces available, there for restricting myself from bring my car here. If there where more parking available for students (who FYI are residents of Milwaukee and therefor should get Residentail Parking) then maybe we wouldn't take your beloved street parking.

717. We are the future of tomorrow, we are the kids who are actually making something of ourselves and our future, and all you are trying to do is squander our attempts to succeed. We are not rich and can barely afford to attend school but we do it anyways because we are driven by our goals. Perhaps the overcrowdedness is a problem for some, and maybe it could be reduced a little, but did you ever stop to think that maybe we have jobs to get to immediately after class and we cannot wait for the bus? Did you think that just maybe having a car to help get us to and from school and jobs is what is keeping us motivated and/or out of trouble? Or did you just make a prejudiced decision without looking at all possible aspects of the situation?

718. As a Milwaukee tax payer, and a home owner, I am shocked and dismayed that the political leadership of this city would put forth a bill such as this. It makes me question the intelligence of our politicians and makes me carefully consider the decision I will have at the polls during our next round of voting. The parking situation is bad, by adding this bill you are making it worse. Residents in the area of UWM did not move into the area without knowledge that the school was there, and I am sure they did so with the knowledge that students park on residential streets. This bill will not correct the situation, instead of proposing hardship and difficulty on the students, wouldn't your time be better spent trying to determine a way to correct the situation. What about a parking permit for residential streets for a three hour time limit that would cost a mere 10 dollars/year. Not only will the city make money, but it allows students who are only part time to use that area for parking, opening up the designated parking areas for students to the full time students. This will cut down on the amount of parking in the residential areas, make the city some money, and help, not hinder the parking problem.

719. RPP may inconvenience me as a student, but if I owned property near UWM, I'd sure be hacked off if my street was full of student cars when I returned from work. Go ahead and give the east-siders preferred parking. I'll either walk further, or pay to park on campus. Charlie Sweet 333 E Dover St Milwaukee WI 53207

720. Having a University nearby positively effects the property value of the homes effected. The better solution would be to generate revenue by placing meters on the streets and then offer the homeowners parking passes so they need not pay meters. This should provide the necessary incentives for students to find alternate means to getting to school if they aren't willing to shell out the dough. Constricting the number of available parking spaces will only compound the problem. Parking shouldn't be free but there must be an amicable solution.

721. As a student attending summer classes and living in the dorms, I suffered much hardships as far as parking goes. If the little street parking we do have is taken away it would cause so much more difficulties. Most of the residents around the area have a driveway, so if the street parking is saved for only them.. it would be left unused. I spent about 1/3 of my summer income on parking tickets alone, it would be made worse if the parking spaces were taken away. I know that for every space made for UWM takes away one street parking spot and so if the streets were saved for only those residents many people would have a harder time getting to campus because there is limited space available at the parking spots. UWM has the greatest number of commuters and for those students who commute everyday and maybe only have one class, it would be harder and more problematic to find those people some space. I've been in the dorms for almost a year and a half now and the parking is hard enough without the street parking being taken away from those who could benefit the most from available spots.

722. Where do you expect us to park?!?!? So many students rent from landlords down on the Eastside and pay so much money to do so. In fact, it's ridiculous how much we pay. There should be a law controlling the rent rates instead of parking. And now you are trying to tell us that we shouldn't be able to park on the streets where we reside? How can anyone with a mind agree with you?

723. Yes, we all work very hard to pay for our tuition, I am in the Air National Guard to help with tuition and due to increasing deployments, I cannot afford to worry about something so easy to fix as parking and tickets that I do not have the time or money for. I think ticketing students while trying to improve their and the world lifestyles is absolutly ludicris!

724. It's an absolutely ridiculous notion that in a school of our size that someone would think that residential parking is anywhere near the realm of a good idea.

725. As an alderman for the district that includes the UWM campus and surrounding neighborhood, you are the first political "voice" for the area. This means that you should not only represent your friends and neighbors on the odd side of the south end of 3000 N.Stowell ave. But also the nearly 8,000 students that hold addresses in the area, and the 28,000 that use this as an area of higher learning..... Thanks Mike

726. That's ridiculous, what do you expect from us?

727. its not fair to others

728. Dont give students tickets. Where are we supposed to park? reasonably? Would you park your car 10 miles away? What about the security of our vehicles? maybe a uwm street parking permit? 50 dollars a semester?

729. Go to HELL!!!

730. I am a property tax paying resident of the city of Milwaukee. My tax dollars pay for plowing and maintenance of these public streets. It is not right that I should not be allowed to park in a legal space on a PUBLIC street just because I take classes at UWM.

731. Good idea to make school even less accessible to college students. (sarcasm)

732. Worry about all of the people in your district, that includes students.

733. I don't think its a good idea to get rid of the 720 parking spaces and give residential spaces. I think another solution would be to have a longer parking time. Instead of an hour or two, make it 3 or 4 hours. AND if there is going to be street cleaning please put up a sign when it is going to be done.

734. There needs to be more parking spaces at UWM. Why not build a few more



parking STRUCTURES?!?!

735. Its hard enough to park around campus. Don't make it impossible.
736. why are you always trying to take money from the poor? we are students who are barely getting by, and you are just trying to make it harder on us. don't you want people to attend uwm?
737. Pleases note that, as aldermans, you also represent the University. It is not economically fesible for RPP to be implemented. The east side has alleys and therefore most have parking. The times needed for student parking are during normal working hours, when most cars of residents are gone from the street. As a constituent, I tell you that I do not see the problem. Make sure that you are represnting all your constituents, not just the loudest and most wealthy.
738. Students would probably support the residential preferred parking if there was more parking available elsewhere near campus. However, given that construction is still under way and the construction people use the metered parking spots...our options become limited. The UWM remote parking is helpful; however, some of the bus drivers are very late on pick ups and then they speed to get us up to campus. I think you could focus more on our options as students, how those options are working for us - or not working for us - and work to implement a win win plan.
739. Please increase low-cost, efficient mass transit options.
740. Parking lots on campus are over capacity, and students have no other option to park than on the streets. Soon, residents will be renting their front lawns for \$10 parking as is done during state fair. I agree with towing cars instead of issuing tickets to free up space, however residents do not have the right to own the street...
741. Any measure that would make a studen't life more difficult than it already is would NOT be a welcome change. From what I can tell, "RPP" would meet that objective rather well. Students have just as much of a right to park on a city street as anyone else does; don't most residents have off-street parking anyway???
742. I support the Residential Preferred Parking. I live on the 3200 block of Hackett Ave where there is parking on 1 side of the street only with a 30 minute time limit. Commuting students disregard the time limit and will park there for hours on end, sometimes being ticketed. It makes it so difficult and frustrating for me to find a parking space near my home. It is only fair to the residents in these areas to designate RPP. But I do have one question: Will there be any sort of permit for visitors of a resident?
743. Alderman D'Amato, You represent students as well as home owners in your district. Anyone and everyone who resides in your district you must represent their needs to the best of your ability. If you limit the parking of students attending UWM, where should they park? We all pay tuition to attend this university, and we all should have a right to use the public streets and parking as freely as anyone else. Last time I checked, the streets are public property. Just because someone resides on private property adjoining public property, that does not give them any more right to that property over anyone else. If you wish to limit the parking on the streets surrounding UWM, you must provide alternative parking elsewhere funded by the city or university, and not in the parking lots that are so far away that one must take a bus to get to campus, that are also out of your district. If you wish to limit parking in your district, you must also find the solution to the problem in your district. You must not attempt to do away with the problem with out finding a solution that is acceptable by all parties involved. Thank you.

744.	Most residents have their own private parking, whether it be in a garage or in a designated spot in the back of their house. If you move to a college/university area, you have to expect that students will be parking near the school.
745.	Please implement this plan as soon as possible. I am sick and tired of trying to find a parking spot on my street while all these non-residents park in my spot.
746.	Where are the grad students who are shelling out all kinds of money to go to school supposed to park? Paying for parking seems like an unneeded expense. Residents who live in the UWM area should have known that living on a college campus has some disadvantages.
747.	the large commuter population at the university essentially relies on parking around campus and should not suffer undo punishment just because they need to attend class.
748.	Parking near campus is already tight the way it is. Understandably people could use one of the numerous mass transit or park and ride lots available, however, that is not practical for those who simply have one class and go home. Or for a quick campus visit.
749.	We are paying tuition to go to school here at UWM. It does not make sense that we also have to pay to park our cars so that we can go to class. Make it a part of our Segregated Fees.
750.	I support his proposal. Students and UWM need to work with and respect the community
751.	The parking issues on campus are not going to be easily solved- Living as a resident I would be eligible for RPP as far as I understand the policy, but I don't believe this solves the problems with parking in the area. A more effective solution that can help students as well as residents is needed. Taking away spaces from those who commute is only going to increase parking problems for both residents and students.
752.	no
753.	I think that there should be parking available to the students, if the college is going to enroll as many students as it does, then the school should also have parking for them.
754.	Where are we supposed to park Mr. Alderman?
755.	I believe that students attending UWM pay alot to go to school here. Not only are we spending out money for school but we are also helping out local business's because we buy groceries from the store, go out to dinner at local rest., Pay for bus passes, and many other things. We are helping out the community around us so why cant you help us out, Maybe even provide us with more parking.
756.	The majority of the parking spaces that are available for us to park at are already limited to 30minutes, 1hr, etc. I don't know how logical it is to have 30minute parking spaces or even 1hr...there are no classes at UWM that last 30minutes or even an hour. And all students know how quick the parking personnel will ticket us for our classes that last an hour and 15minutes. To sum up my opinion...the city is just trying to rip us students off and not considering our income level or other aspects. I am going to school full time (18credits) and working 40hrs a week and living 45minutes away with my parents because I can't afford to live on my own...partially because I have to spend \$4 a day for parking (and that isn't even including if I want to stay on campus to study which I refrain from because I don't want to pay the city more money). Its absolutely ridiculous and I

will NEVER live in the city of Milwaukee because I do not support any aspect of their systems. The University is one of the only good things about the city...maybe that's why they are trying to take all the money from them that they can. Aren't alderman's suppose to work on behalf of the individuals involved in that part of the area. I may not live here but I spend \$8000+ to be a part of this area. Honestly, I don't feel this alderman is trying to do any good for the district he is working on behalf of... I see him driving us away...literally.

**757.** I won't be voting for you and I'll also see to it that I bring you up in social situations/conversations, so as to inform others of your agenda.

**758.** Another parking issues is daytime parking for people that live down on the eastside near UWM. The only way a person can obtain a daytime parking pass is if they change there divers license to the current address. Student only have 9 month or 12 month leases, and then change houses. They should have it, where they should be able to show a bill, such as an electric, phone, or cable bill with there name on it.

**759.** The addition of two extra parking ticketers, is an incredibly terrible use of Milwaukee dollars. There are much greater issues at stake that should be dealt with.

**760.** I dont understand why DAmato is always trying to screw over UWM students. First the whole housing thing, and now the RPP? WHY?? Just make a little extra money for yourself? The purposals that you are trying to bring forth are making it harder and harder for people to go to school here. Pretty soon no one will want to attend UWM, and then what? This is a state University, and attendance is only going to continue to rise. Therefore, there will constantly be a demand for housing and parking, and it is quite obvious that the school along can provide those two things. I just really think that we need a new alderman for the city of Milwaukee. Someone who will assist the people in his community and not suck them dry for every penny they have!

**761.** Go and find another way to make money!!! Don't skim the poor student.

**762.** I am a taxpaying resident of the city of Milwaukee. Why then, should I not be able to park in certain areas because my house is not on that block? I have never walked across someone's lawn or defaced anyone's property, and all I ask is to park on the street for a couple of hours a day while I'm in class. The upark busses run frequently in the morning, but by afternoon, I wind up waiting 20-30 minutes before a bus comes around, many times causing me to be late for other appointments. I understand that residents would like a parking spot for themselves, but most students are on campus during the hours that area residents are at work anyways. Along with tuition and taxes, I estimate I have paid over \$200.00 in parking tickets this year. That's ridiculous! People in the area must realize that they are living a few blocks from a university and with several thousand students enrolled, there are going to be an excess of people around from september to may. Even 720 new pay spaces will not eliminate the need for street parking.

**763.** Stop treating students like second rate citizens. As much as you dislike it, the university is here to stay and the students will not stand for your obvious prejudices for us.

**764.** Use the money stolen by the department of public works to build a public parking structure, or to fund the bike loan program at UWM.

**765.** This would suck.

**766.** Discriminatory policies like these only further the divide between UWM

students and non-student residents living near campus. Students should be outraged for being the target of policies because of their age. If the same policies were targeted toward a particular race or religion, it would not be tolerated. This double standard should not exist!

**767.** what do you have against college students? not all of us party and not all of us have equal access to buses and some of us need our cars to take us from school to work in a timely manner. i think you're being extremely prejudice against college students who last time i checked are residents of milwaukee and should be entitled to park where ever we want. why dont you tell the "residents" that maybe they should have thought about moving to a house located near a campus. i didnt care for the partying so i moved to whitefish bay and my life hasnt been turned upside down. I think you need to pull your head out of your ass and realize that not all of your constituents are adults and you need to represnt everyone fairly.

**768.** Attending classes is an essential part of getting an education. For some of us, we need to drive and have ample places to park.

**769.** Many of the students come straight from work and do not have time to wait for the bus in the satelite areas. They go straight from work to school and need to park asap. Students are there to better themselves. They spend a lot of tuition money to the school (and the state), and should have the ability to park without worrying about a ticket while they are sitting in class trying to learn.

**770.** The city of Milwaukee makes enough money from parking tickets as it is, why would you propose something that is going to burden people that are already struggling financially(students) so the people in this area can have parking during the day. Why not concern yourself with something more important than harass students for trying to get education.

**771.** It is already next to impossible to find a parking space near campus. On many occasions, the lots are full. One has to drive around and around looking for a space, only to be late for class. Students should not be punished in this new way that you are proposing. We are generally financially-strapped people, living very stressful lives. Please do not behave as though you are anti-student. Our opinions count - we vote, too!

**772.** If you can tell me three good reasons to do this, I'd be impressed. Just another bogus money-making scheme; and even if it's not, that's how about 15,000 other students who filled this out will think.

**773.** I think DAmato needs to start taking students concerns into consideration instead of only this small group of non-students who live in the UWM area. Remember when he had the great idea to move all student housing across the river west of campus?????????

**774.** I already have to walk/bus to school because I can never find parking. Absolutely ridiculous.

**775.** The parking issue at UWM has been awful for as long as anyone can remember. With all of the talk about how higher education is something everyone should strive for, politicians are making it more and more difficult for poor students to get achieve this. Everything is increasing in price, and this new parking "idea" will only make it harder for students to get to class. At this rate, students will be walking down the aisle at graduation wondering if their car will be there to go out for a celebratory meal. And they won't be able to afford much more than McDonald's due to all of the parking tickets and other fees imposed upon them during their time at school.

776.	You are a fucking poopdick!
777.	Build a parking ramp! And make it attractive! There's nothing saying that parking ramps have to be ugly cement eyesores. If done right, a parking structure could house retail businesses, restaurants, etc. in its lower level, then offer several convenient levels of parking. If the horizontal parking spaces are limited in the UWM neighborhood, go vertical!
778.	There should be a student preferred parking
779.	You care more about the familys in the area....then the students. make studnet parking more readily available and itll solve the problems.
780.	It's the stupidest thing I've ever heard.
781.	I support it as long as resident students get equal opportunity to get the street passes.
782.	...
783.	Parking is very limited around UW-Milwaukee and it seems to be getting worse and not better. Recently, much of the street parking has been changed to one hour parking until 9pm. What do you expect the night class students to do when their class is 3 hours long and they have no time to go move their car? Pay for parking, you would say, that could work if there was enough paid parking areas or structures. All you are doing by making the parking situation worse is discouraging other students to admit to the university.
784.	For one, student residents of this area deserve adequate parking on the streets near their homes just as much as non-student residents. Landlords in the area have a practice of charging a high rent for properties, which typically leads to packing as many students into a property as possible so they can divide the high rent to make it affordable. There are rarely enough parking spots available for student residents, leading to excess expense and frustration. Landlords should be required to provide ample parking, or limit tenants in properties to guarnatee parking for all (perhaps with a corresponding decrease in rental fee), this is particulary relevant for Shorewood residents, who don't have street parking as an option! Second, as a graduate assistant it was stressed to me that one of our major initiatives at UWM is "Access to Success" - which involves providing as many resouces as possible to non-traditional students, as they are one of our strengths at UWM, to ensure they can succeed despite greater challenges relative to traditional (i.e., full-time) students. While I am a full-time student, with ample parking and a nearby residence, I have several students and peers that work part- or full-time and attempt to make it to class on time before or after work. This typically requires too little of a time crunch to make the parking shuttle from remote parking by the lake or west of here. These students are then required to find parking nearby UWM, which would put them at a disadvantage if this bill limited their options. I think this initiative would cause the largest imposition and hardship on these non-traditional students, as full-time students who came during the day would likely fill up the campus and close street spots. This would be against our campus-wide effort to facilitate the learning experience of these individuals. While I think that more needs to be done regarding parking for both residents and students near UWM, this bill (as you have described it to me) is unjustly biased AGAINST students, and I am rather suprised that administration at UWM would have gone along so willingly.
785.	other than it's expensive as all hell, an annoying topic personally...no, not really
786.	many of these residents are UWM students and renters, they do not all own vehicles and many rental units (both duplex and apartments) include a parking

spot in the rear or in the alley access. The type of resident you are envisioning simply does not exist in this area. North of Edgewood, or South of Newberry, this idea may have some clout, as there are many more homeowners who may need ample parking. But in the areas closest to UWM, enacting an ordinance such as this would seriously tarnish your reputation. Please find another way to make your boss happy and generate revenue for the City. The parking ticket route of bringing in bucks has irritated Milwaukeeans enough.

**787.** This website tells me that you discriminate against campus students. I don't know if that's true or not, but implementing this program seems unfair to the students.

**788.** I pay for all my schooling and so I have to work to stay in school but I cant park anywhere in front of my own residence because 2 of my roommates have permits and so I am paying hundreds of dollars every month in parking tickets in front of my own residence, there should be more than 2 permits allowed per household when there are 4 people living at an address, I am supposed to quit my job and sell my car, this is absolutely ridiculous, something needs to be done immediately

**789.** Take away his parking spot and make him walk 3 miles to work to see how he likes it. This is crap. Traveling on high gas prices, limited parking in the first place, higher tuition costs, and now this???

**790.** Don't use students to make money!

**791.** Picking on poor college students is rude and mean. Your residents own a home, tell them to park in their garage, or drive way. The streets of Milwaukee are open for anyone to park, we pay taxes too. More over we pay the school to go here, (over \$6,000) per year we deserve to have the CHANCE to park on the street as much if not more than residents. Who came first the chicken or the egg?

**792.** I dont think it is fair that students should be responsible for the lack of parking. We already pay enough money to go to school as well as its hard enough to find parking around school as it is.

**793.** I don't park on the street ever, because I have parking underground at my apartment, but I did park near campus once for like 15 mins and I got a ticket, I can't imagine how bad it must be for everyone else, and this will only make it worse.

**794.** This is a great way to make UWM less attractive to adult students that are already inconvenienced by the limited parking on and around campus. If Milwaukee intends on becoming a second or even a first tier city, it must be able to attract, keep and educate its population. Having prestigious universities helps to this end greatly. Making it more and more inconvenient for commuting students, particularly adult students, to be able to attend UWM and have safe accessible parking will significantly hamper these efforts.

**795.** RPP is an important initiative for the community and community relations. With increased enrollment at UWM, parking has become a nightmare for residents, particularly those who park on the street. These residents INCLUDE UWM students who live in the neighborhood; so UWM student residents would also benefit form RPP (The information cited on the first page of this survey is incorrect in stating that resident only parking would explicitly exclude student. This statement biases the results of this survey). Opposing RPP is short-sighted and does consider the fact that there are less than 3,000 parking spaces on campus for 28,000 students and approximately 1,000 faculty and staff. Clearly, allocating 750 parking spaces for residents will not have a significant impact on

student parking - but will ease the burden greatly for residents.

**796.** As a graduate student living in New Berlin, I would not be able to attend school at UWM if I could not drive my car to school. I do not mind paying for parking in the lots but as it is there is not enough space for everyone to park in lots. If RPP is implemented additional parking lots need to be made available.

**797.** YOUR PARKING STANCE FOR THE ENTIRE EAST SIDE OF MILWAUKEE IS THE WORST I HAVE EVER SEEN FROM ANY CITY, YOU ARE DRIVING THE PROPERTY VALUES DOWN IN THE EAST SIDE WHEN NO ONE THAT LIVES THERE HAS A PLACE TO PARK, WHY SHOULD I BUY A CONDO THAT HAS NO PARKING? THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE UWM RESIDENTS IT HAS TO DO WITH YOUR POOR PLANNING FOR PARKING AND YOUR FAVORITISM FOR DEVELOPERS LIKE BORRIS. YOU NEED TO STUDY URBAN PLANNING AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY LIVE HEALTHIER. THERE IS A BETTER PLAN THAN WHAT YOU IMPLAMENT, THE UNIVERSITY PAYS TAXES AND BRINGS MILWAUKEE A LOT OF MONEY EVERY YEAR.

**798.** I would like to know what his alternatives are. We all cannot take the bus or walk- the car is our only way to campus. If he wants this to happen, then he needs to propose alternative parking near campus that's just as close. Parking is a big reason a lot of my co-workers and friends will not attend UW-Milwaukee for graduate study- it is soley for this parking situation!

**799.** Parking is already hard enough, especially for those of us commuting to and from school because we have to work full time just to support ourselves and pay for already too high tuition increases. If you take away already precious parking, those of us who take night classes will have to walk further in the dark and alone.

**800.** I would support the RPP if alternate parking was more available near UWM. As a commuter who works during the day, it is difficult to use the park and ride. My only option is to drive to school.

**801.** Public parking is public parking. I understand that the residents who live in that area are frustrated with the parking situation, but so are the students and everyone else, like you and me. This is far from a win-win situation, however compromise is necessary in situations like these. The residents need to consider the fact that they choose to live near a college campus. Everyone knows that parking is always difficult on and around college campuses, including the neighborhoods that surround them. Besides haven't the residents in that neighborhood voted against building a tall parking structure because it would make the neighborhood "too ugly?" Parking is always an issue on college campuses. If RPP takes effect it will be discriminating against students. Right now the laws don't discriminate against anyone, it's a first come first serve basis for all. And besides-besides, doesn't the City of Milwaukee allow residents a parking permit that enables them to park on the street in front of their house without time limitations. Why aren't people who live there taking advantage of this?

**802.** i have already had to pay over 100 dollars in parking fines to avoid missing classes because i couldnt find a parking spot and the student lot was full. this lack of parking also makes getting to and from work much difficult which in turn makes paying for school and tickets more difficult

**803.** i need my money, the police don't

**804.** college kids deserve parking too and we can't afford the tickets.

**805.** As a student who is paying completely on their own to get through college, I believe that if something like this goes through it will hurt UWM in a negative way. If you start taking away the parking spots for students to get to school you are going to start to lose a student body. Talking with other students who have looked into UWM some absolutely loved the campus but decided to go somewhere else because of the issue of parking around campus. Students have been thrown enough curveballs to receive their education don't throw another one at them that doesn't need to happen.

**806.** The Parking situation is completely out of control. The only reason there are any parking regulations is to provide revenue for the city of Milwaukee and have no other purpose whatsoever. It is absolutely ridiculous that there is not a parking pass for students that attend UWM. It is almost impossible to be able to only park in a spot for an hour or so and still be able to attend classes without running back to your car to repark it several times a day. Obviously Mike D'Amato does not have a clear idea of what he is doing and he does not have the citizens and students in mind. It is a wonder that he is ever able to enter office at all and it would be a godsend when he is finally removed possibly by a violent overthrow so we can get someone with a pair of balls and a relatively common sense attitude in office.

**807.** Although I usually take the shuttle from Capital/Humboldt, there are times when I have to stop to pick up or drop off something from my office, and the shuttle is inconvenient. As a City of Milwaukee resident, I pay property taxes to maintain city streets, including the ones in the neighborhood of UWM. Isn't it enough that we are facing substantial increases in our taxes already? I should be able to park on those public streets, within the already-existing time and meter restrictions. I see this as a revenue-generating proposal, on the backs of the students, staff and faculty at UWM. I think it is a shame that we talk about students being the "future", while in the present treating them like second-class citizens. Further, this only exacerbates the perception that some antagonism exists between students and community when in fact our students are part of our community. I truly dislike the messages conveyed by this proposal, on many levels

**808.** Fining and being able to afford parking is hard enough as it is right now. Why make it even more of a challenge?

**809.** I would like to say that Mike D'Amato is an idiot. He probably hears this everyday, but maybe one day he'll realize that it's true. He doesn't realize how hard it is to pay for school and everyday expenses when you're not as well off as he is or his rich politician friends. Spend a couple nights and live how we live!

**810.** RIDICULOUS

**811.** Not only am I a student at UWM, but I grew up in that neighborhood, and I dislike UWM students as much as any resident. But the fact remains that UWM has been there, in one form or another, for longer than most of these people have lived in that neighborhood. I would support RPP if the residents of that neighborhood didn't complain about UWM building a parking structure. No parking structure? No RPP.

**812.** I realize that you are representing the cries of your constituents with this proposal. However, with the continual growth of UW-Milwaukee parking is just one of many major problems. Please consider the potential for crippling the potential of a growing school. This school is an integral part of the area, and growing it can only mean positive things for the community.

**813.** I live in your aldermanic district, and would promote and head a campaign to not vote for you, if RPP were implemented.



**814.** Dear Alderman, With the recent reduction of parking due to the new Pavillion (rec center) parking has been an extremely difficult situation. In addition to this the dorms are also overloaded which is forcing students to commute. Where I do believe that residents should be "protected" as well. Please note that they did purchase homes or rented them in a university area for a commuter school. This is one of the challenges that they know they will face upon purchasing in this area. And yes, there are alternative parking areas but for a one hour class, or in my circumstance, a one hour meeting it is so much more convenient to park near the building in which you need to be for an hour or so. Tuition is up, salaries for part time employees have not increased this year and the parking police in the area are relentless! Please reconsider this!

**815.** Students shouldnt park illegally if they dont want tickets! UWM provides free parking with free shuttle buses.

**816.** Tell students to take the bus, it's cheaper

**817.** This is a huge commuter college, where are we supposed to park? The people that live near here know that they live by a college what did they expect? They need a big cup of Hello.

**818.** Possibly raise the time limits to 3 hours and allow the students a possible parking pass for XXX amount of dollars that exempts them from parking tickets if parked in designated areas during school hours. Obviously it would not create the revenue from the tickets but it probably is a win-win situation for the students, the city and UWM.

**819.** Students are the most money strapped group in the city, and yet the city is constantly chosing to attack them with whatever finacle burden they can think of!!! We can't afford tickets! We can't afford to pay for parking everyday! We cannot all that the bus!! And since UWM is primarily a commuter campus we have a right to park on our city streets!!

**820.** shove it

**821.** I dont drive, but I know how hard it is to find parking already. I'd let them impliment this if they trade it for building affordable student housing.

**822.** There is absolutely no reason why students cannot use public transportation.

**823.** Alderman D'Amato should hold a press conference and explain/defend himself rather than hiding in his office and playing political games with UWM and east side property owners that give him campaign contributions.

**824.** If you want to give the Eastside completely back to the residents and have all college kids leave, I suggest you find a way to shut the University down.

**825.** I think it is rediculous to take away parking fomr students who pay approximately \$3200.00 a semester to attend UWM. I would love to be able to use some of the suggestions given (walk, bike, U-Pass) to get to UWM, but seeing as I live in Kenosha and my evening classes usually end after the buses stop running, it is not an option for me.

**826.** Keep up the good work!

**827.** NO

**828.** Parking is already unfair for students. There are 30-minute, 1-hour and 2-hour limits for free parking spaces all over campus. What I would like to know is, how am I supposed to move my car every 60 to 120 minutes when I have classes all day? It's not fair to have to spend \$10 a day just to park, or to have to pay a ticket every time I park in the free parking zone. The only reason

Milwaukee does nothing about it is because you're the one making money from the problem!

**829.** As of December 1st I am moving to glendale with my room mate and im going to probably need to drive to class. If you dont live on the east side its important to allow free parking somewhere. These are people just trying to get an education. I dont understand why you would want to make that harder.

**830.** The university is very important to Milwaukee, especially the East Side. It's about time officials recognized this fact and started to cater more toward our interests.

**831.** Your policies make it difficult for students to focus on their education and for many even afford one. UWM has a lot of potential of becoming a well respected university. The growth and success of UWM can only have a positive effect on all of Milwaukee, providing professionalism and economic growth. Your policies should be reviewed and consider the city's best interests. Your understanding and support of the students situation and needs would not be regretted or go unnoticed.

**832.** I have lived in Milwaukee three years as a student now. Doesn't that make me resident enough? Work and school are hard enough, but finding a parking space everyday makes it ten times harder. Please support and be fair to the UWM students!

**833.** 30 min, 1 hr, and 2 hr parking limitations are ridiculous. They should be way longer

**834.** I think that considering how many students that attend the University are commuters, it would be very straining for many, if they were not allowed to park on the street. I know there are other options for these students, but sometimes those don't work in certain situations. As it is, parking tickets are hard to handle, not only because parking times are generally one hour (eventhough most classes last more than that), and also because they are \$20 a piece!! I lived in Madison, where parking is very limited, and they only had \$10 parking tickets. I think the city makes enough money as it is off of the students, and should give us a break. The street parking is a matter of convenience for non-permanent residents, students at class and visitors, and it would be a huge stress if it was taken away as an option.

**835.** "Residents" should have taken into consideration the fact that they live in close proximity to a college campus. The university wasn't built yesterday. If I was a prospective homeowner with two or more vehicles, I would think twice before moving into a house with one parking space and limited street parking.

**836.** Tuition cpsts have raised every year I have been in school and are projected to increase next year as well. I have funded the construction of more parking spaces with the renovation by paying tuition. In essence, I have paid for more space. If the RPP is passed, it will seem as if I have paid extra unused tuition for residents of the area to park in front of their homes. That doesn't make sense to me.

**837.** Although I feel that RPP could benefit the community, I think that this is another ploy to receive more money from students. The school has already cut back on student services and controlling parking in an increase to money will not benefit anyone but the person making money off of it. An idea might be to increase the time a person can park at the meters because the time is too short for a student to park get to class and return to the car.

**838.** I am sure parking can be very frustration for residents living near the UWM

campus. I know I would not be happy trying to find parking if I lived in this neighborhood. However, the residents surrounding UWM made a decision to live near a large university with a large amount of commuter students. As I stated, I understand their frustration with parking in this area, however the current lack of viable parking for students is troubling already. RPP proposes the removal of 2000 additional spaces (I appologize if my figure is incorrect). The report by UWM graduate students indicates there is no clear plan for a 1 to 1 replacement of these spaces. The Columbia St. Mary's parking will not be available until 2010. One must think those spaces will be used by those currently using them as well. Will the Columbia St. Mary's parking spaces really offer additional student parking? The fact that UWM is a commuter school makes this proposal very difficult to understand. It seems everyone loves the idea of higher education and the benefits that flow from college educated members of society, but members of the government and the neighborhood surrounding schools such as UWM make it as difficult as possible for those of us commuting to attend school. This proposal (RPP) will only compound an already difficult and/or expensive parking situation. Alderman D'Amato needs to understand not every commuter student is able to take advantage of public transportation. Buses are not convenient for everyone because of timing, existing routes, or other potential hurdles. Please reconsider this proposal and look into other alternatives. Perhaps publishing the reasoning behind RPP and any research findings to support RPP will allow for an intelligent, open discussion of this issue.

**839.** This is ridicilous for students who commute. UW-Milwaukee already has a dorm residency problem with there being too many people in dorms. Now you want to cause the students more of a pain. I don't appreciate that I even have to pay for parking and now were supposed to get our parking cut already. It's already hard enough to find a spot down here to park. Not everyone has the option of taking a bus here due to the complications of the transit system and one's own personal time schedule.

**840.** Your idea sucks.

**841.** Parking is already ridiculous in Milwaukee. Now you are raising ticket prices AFTER our tuition has gone up dramatically. The students here have enough to worry about with school and their education and finding ways to pay it off. The last thing we need is for ticket prices to get raised and something else to pay off. It is almost impossible at times to find a spot just to go to school and by raising ticket prices isn't going to solve any of this.

**842.** The parking around campus is very inconvenient, as I sometimes have to rush out of class to move my car, and then rush back into school to make it to my next class.

**843.** It's hard enough making ends meet while we're enrolled in school so we don't need another jackass making it harder by forcing us to pay unruly parking tickits. How do you sleep at night Ald.?

**844.** its ridiculous that we are getting ticketed for parking our cars too long in one spot while we are trying to get an education.

**845.** i've had 5 parking tickets so far this semester.. and i remember being parked at each spot for exactly an hour and 5 minutes. maybe you can ask the "school" to make classes shorter so then maybe i wont have to walk to so far to and from my car to my class. i'm responsible enough to only park at the spot for the allotted time cuz i know that there are others who need parking spots too. and i can't afford to park in the structure EVERYDAY. not only that, it's unrealistic to wait in line for over an hour just to get a parking spot. i think you're trying to be

fair by giving the residents parking spots too, but what about the students? we pay more for each semester than they do for property tax. i think you need to do a better job of being fair to BOTH parties...

**846.** I don't exactly agree with what you are doing with the RPP, but I understand why you are because I am a resident near UWM and I would enjoy being able to park within a block of my house also. BUT! UWM is a commuter college and parking is an issue due to the location of the campus. I think instead of trying to ban students from parking on the streets I think we need to think of a way to create more parking for these students. The park and rides are wonderful, but even those are getting near full capacity at times.

**847.** How completely ridiculous! As if things weren't bad enough down on campus for us... charging us an arm and a leg for tuition, your commuter bus system is quite honestly a joke, and now you want to make sure parking down by campus is impossible. You want to take away the street parking, you better make sure all campus parking is FREE. That includes parking in the structure on campus and all the parking lots around campus. Until you can get that done, it's laughable for you to close down those side streets.

**848.** thank you

**849.** Residents of the East Side of Milwaukee in the surrounding campus area for the most part have driveways. Those who do not, must fend for themselves just like the university students. This will only create more of a divide between the university and our non student neighbors. Students already pay tuition increases and their already existing parking fines with no great ease. More fines and tickets will only create more of a deficit for students, it will not stop the problem. Why not implore the university to build more parking structures, or ask students to purchase a permit for the surrounding areas.

**850.** Excellent plan, residents need the spaces. Students can walk a little farther.

**851.** Students vote.

**852.** I UNDERSTAND THE PRESSURE THAT THE CITY MUST BE GETTING FROM THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE NEXT TO THE CAMPUS, AND IF I WERE ONE OF THEM I WOULD BE UPSET IF I HAD COMPANY OR SOMETHING OF THAT NATURE AND COULD NOT HAVE APPROPRIATE PARKING FOR THEM WHEN IT SHOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM. HOWEVER, THEY BOUGHT THE HOUSES WELL AWARE OF WHAT LIVING AROUND A COAMPUS WILL INCLUDE SO IN THAT RESPECT, I HAVE NO SYMPATHY FOR THEM AND THINK THAT YOU SHOULD NOT GOUGE THOSE WHO PARK THERE BECAUSE THEY ARE TRYING TO RECEIVE SOME HIGHER LEARNING. ITS REPULSIVE.

**853.** Parking should be made easy for students and not hard. We bring millions of dollars in tuition to your community, more than most homeowners. Stop making us your punching bag.

**854.** The tax base of this community are the residents--property owners who pay property taxes. The Residential Preferred Parking policy will ease one of the concerns of these people. My one fear is that when residents have visitors to their homes, will they need to constantly check their cars to avoid ticketing?

**855.** Why not angled parking? Why not light rail or mona-rail? Why can't we think of the future of Milwaukee, rather than the current old people? Seriously, this is a short term solution. If it wasn't for the campus, the east side would probably be a post-industrial Milwaukee ghetto, since there isn't an economy near the campus,

to support a community without a college to make it thrive. On top of this, it is age discrimination which is protected by federal and state laws. Why not build up? Maybe we could expand on campus parking, but at what expense to the students? An idea the economics department came up with was to turn this area into electronic parking. That way no matter what time of the day or how long you stay, everyone pays the same fee per minute. This would reduce tickets, but also increase profits (since the amount of people cheating the system would be reduced, due to forced payment with electronic payment system that records each minute parked). There are better solutions than this.

**856.** I live in a house two blocks off campus and have to park on the street. It is difficult enough to find a space to park near my home as it is, especially since the garage is already full with the cars of those who preceded me.

**857.** UWM's parking situation is already ridiculous. Don't make it harder by taking away the too few spots we already scurry around for. When I went to school in New Orleans, our university let us pay for a parking pass and we were able to park anywhere there was a school lot for free with that pass. I was SHOCKED to say the least at UWM's parking set up. The parking at the lake fills up fast and sometimes the only thing we have are the streets around the university. Sometimes having to park five blocks away... try doing that and walking in pouring rain or 5 degrees below zero weather!! Please let the parking stay as is it or help UWM invest in a HUGE parking deck that will accommodate most of the students. Thanks.

**858.** The parking around UWM is very constarained. Students are under tremendous stress as the parking spaces are inadequate. Parking charges in the union are exorbitantly high. BOSS service is available only for a few hours and has become poor over the last two years.

**859.** Please do not take parking spaces away from us. My daily hour long commute and rising tuitons are enough to deal with.

**860.** The implentation of this resolution should wait until the State purchashes the Coumbia Hosp. and uses that parking structure as a releif. If there is not enough spaces to relieve the parking problem then I believe the district should supply adequate parking next to campus for facitly staff and students. The addition of light rail to campus could also be a means to relieve the parking problem. The other heavy handed method to convince the alderman to take a lessen the impact of RPP is to have the State begin proceedings to condem certain properties next to campus to make more room for parking.

**861.** Parking is already bad enough on campus, this will only magnify the porblem.

**862.** I am currently working towards my Ph.D. at UWM. I previously completed my undergrad and master's degree both at UWM. It is my 8th year observing the parking situation at this university. I have lived on campus in the dorms, off campus one block from school, downtown, and I currently commute from Bay View and take advantage of the U-Bus frequently. As a former member of the community, and a student at UWM, I can relate that parking is and has been a problem. The University is clearly making efforts to make parking available for UWM students. Cuts in state funding are related to increases in tuition and decreases in resources available to the University. The institution as a whole and the students as individuals are facing financial strain. The presence of a premier urban university certainly benefits the community, the city, and the state. In order for the University to thrive, the community MUST support it. I am sure the RPP plan benefits residents, but I strongly urge you to consider how it will impact the students at UWM who are already extremely burdened by lack of finance and lack of parking. Indirectly, the RPP plan reflects lack of

appreciation for the pursuit of higher education on behalf of yourself, Mr. D'Amato, and your community. I oppose any plan that will result in reduced parking for UWM students and/or increased financial burden. I appreciate your taking the time to consider my sentiments.

**863.** It is a terrible idea. He has to understand that he is not only representing the local residents of UWM, but the students of UWM and the institution itself. Often people in his position forget about the hardships of going to college and the challenges students face on a daily basis. The last thing we need is a politician who ruins it for everyone. he must not forget that students are able to vote in local elections and if he wants to stay in office, he needs the students vote.

**864.** Find a better alternative for students to park while at class before implementng RPP

**865.** It is moronic to punish UWM by creating one RPP slot for each new parking slot on campus. A one-for-three ration might be reasonable, but not a one:one ratio. This is especially absurd, given that most of the "new" slots at the Klotsche Center will replace former parking slots in the old North Lot.

**866.** Why would you feel the need to do go around pretty sneaking around and towing students cars or giving them tickets when they are away to classes. Just does not seem right. But you probably do not care because you are no longer a student and have a baised opinion on us. That is what I got from your interview on televison last week. You are a conservative and your views are one sided and you do not allow for the equal give and take in a conversation/debate.

**867.** Due to the limited parking spaces available on campus and nearby, pressure is already quite high for the existing total parking space. Faculty and students often need to circle around for hours before they can find a spot somewhere, missing classes and productive time. If students are not allowed to park near campus during the day, this undue hardship faced daily will result in reduced enrollment, reduced revenue and could lead to a critical situation for this important University campus. UWM is trying hard to partner with the city of Milwaukee to improve the quality of life for all of us in this city. Any hardship caused to UWM will cause hardship to the city of Milwaukee. I would like to advise Alderman Mike D'Amato to oppose the RPP for the UWM neighborhood.

**868.** With the rising costs of tuition, every student should be allowed to have a parking spot or discounted parking passes so there are no problems. Students should not be punished for trying to better their lives by attending college. A friend of mine went to MATC down town and they received discounted parking in the structures. UWM should try to implement a plan like that. Or another idea was to take portions of the school to off campus locations like when Northridge Mall was being sold. This would end parts of the congestion. No way should our cars be ticketed and/or towed away while we are trying to acheive higher education.

**869.** UWM students are constantly getting screwed, when it comes to parking. In order to keep enrollment up parking issues must be delt with.

**870.** It's ridiculous to only allow area residents to park on PUBLIC streets. This ludicris 'parking referendum' will not only inconvenience students, but it could possibly detract students from applying to UWM. This will never fly.

**871.** yes Jefferson said that education should be for all people not the rich. The Republic Party seems to be against this idea and is making higher education a possibility for the upper classes. this is another attempt to penalize poor

students.

**872.** As a Student at UWM I already pay to much money to park on campus, eat on campus, etc... Students should not have to pay more for parking tickets and have more restrictions put on where we park. People in this neighborhood bought these homes knowing that there was a school in it, it was their choice to pay for, move in and live in these homes.

**873.** Students are just trying to go to class and get an education. We would like to be able to do that without having to worry about how many hundreds of dollars we have to spend just to park someplace close to school. Yes, there are buses, but can they take me to work when I have to be there ten minutes after my two o'clock class? Having a car down here is not just a luxury, to some it's essential.

**874.** While moving into the UWM neighborhood you know before purchase that it's a University area. Aspects like limited parking and a high concentration of 18-25 year old students are things home owners in the area consider before buying. Residential Preferred Parking is ridiculous to impose upon the neighborhood of a commuter school.

**875.** Mike I would like you to know that I commute to UWM because I cannot afford to live on my own. I would like to thank you for making my life more difficult than it already is. Why not impose Preferred Student Parking, there are 40 thousand students on campus that need parking. What you did was either extremely ignorant or you just don't care about the students. You clearly make the problem worse for campus area, and we just need less people like you. I need to keep this message short and professional, which means I need to end it before I tell you what I really think of you. I would like to add more parking tickets and parking problems is that last thing that students need to worry about. Where do you expects to park Mike? Do you even care? Thank you for doing this to us. Aaron Perez

**876.** I believe that we students, paying tuition, have a right to park in the immediate areas surrounding UWM. No further parking structures have been made available, and most of the time the structures are full. It is ashame that the residents and the students can not work together, but the residents do need to realize that they moved to a neighborhood where there are many, many commuting students that attend a nearby college.

**877.** It is already hard enough to get to campus we don't need to have more parking obstacles. And the buses are never on time anyway. This is overall a STUPID proposal.

**878.** The students spend money not made in your community. If the university closed your community would lose quite allot of income.

**879.** I lived across the street from a college and had to deal with this with very issue. I agree that student parking can be a problem for residents, IF the current postings on the streets are not followed and IF students block residents' access to their driveways/parking spaces. However, there are regulations that already exist that are intended to address these issues. So, before any additional parking regulations are enacted, it would be best to put concentrated effort in enforcing existing regulations. Also, both the UWM and the neighborhood (residents and Alderman) need to reinforce that offsite parking is available to relieve the congestion that can occur in residential neighborhoods. Possibly signs to this effect could be posted in the neighborhoods; as well as frequent email reminders to students. It's best to take action on what is already available as options and to improve student response and sensitivity to neighborhoods BEFORE placing additional punitive restrictions in place. Thanks.

880.	Parking at UWM is hard enough. We need more parking, not less.
881.	I hope that this goes through for other students' sake. I won't be here next semester because I'm going to Marine Corps Boot Camp, but I WOULD like to see parking improve.
882.	We already pay enough! Give us a damn break
883.	Parking in the areas near campus is unacceptable as it is now. I don't feel that anywhere within 4 block radius of campus should be anything less than 2 hour parking. People that attend are trying to go to school and get an education, and half the time are sitting in class worried about if they are getting ticketed or have to leave just to put money in a meter. There are so many commuters that attend this university that parking is scarce as it is. Leave the people who are trying to do something with their lives alone and go pick on people who need to be picked on.
884.	I think it's a great idea. Why should students get to take over the area? Less students with cars means healthier students and a healthier bus system.
885.	Please push to enact this immediately! Great idea!
886.	I understand the residents' point of view here. However, those of us trying to attain higher education and make a better life for ourselves have enough difficulty finding parking in the area and with the high costs of school cannot afford parking tickets!
887.	It's hard enough to find parking around UWM. If anything, this should go the other way and provide a solution for easier parking options for students. Students don't really have that much money for the most part and cannot afford to keep paying tickets.
888.	Something needs to be done to ensure that students have enough parking at UWM. I understand that residents need also be assured parking, but at the same time something else needs to be done for the students if you expect them to continue going to UWM. That is probably one of the biggest disadvantages of going there, you either have to leave extremely early to catch one of the buses or even just to find street parking blocks away from campus. And even then you risk getting a parking ticket because most times students are at class longer than an hour or two like the meters are and most times do not have time to plug the meter in between classes because they are parked so far away.
889.	Residents don't need 1 spot for every spot created by UWM, perhaps they need 1 spot for every 3 UWM creates. With an increasing number of students on campus, and UWM seemingly not limiting their enrollments, students and faculty need to be treated fairly. They need to be treated with respect for the fact that they're patronizing a state-owned school, paying good money for tuition, and should have the right to park with relative ease when the need comes. The students shouldn't be persecuted because the campus was built in a residential neighborhood, they should be thanked for bringing more commerce to the area, and be allowed to park near the school they pay so much tuition to attend. Besides, who ever heard of a school you couldn't get to because residents were so unfriendly to allow students to park near-by? Not me. On another note, for the students that do use the U-Pass, they're often squished uncomfortably on busses full of ill-behaved high school students taking advantage of the voucher program. That means inconvenience, insults, and headaches in the morning for students that <u>are</u> trying to reduce parking pressures when their fees are supposed to allow them a comfortable ride to and from school with no hassles. Instead, we get standing-room only busses from bayview all the way up to campus on the 15. On the U-Park front, many people are deterred from parking



down by the marina, or vetrans because of crime. COuntless students' cars were broken into last year, may students mugged, and the same will occur again this year. If the city wants to offer alternatives to driving to campus, perhaps they should make these lots safer for students, and their possessions.

**890.** You are paid to keep our tuition reasonable. Do your job and fight tuition increases. How high of a loan did your family have to take out this year so you can do your job? My fiance and I took out \$18,500 so I can do mine.

**891.** Good idea. The city streets around UWM have been overcrowded for too long by lazy students. There is more than enough alternative means of offcampus parking and public transportation to accomodate everyone. Keep up the good work.

**892.** It wouldn't hurt you to at least attempt to be more student friendly and not constantly trying to kiss the few families in the area's asses. It boggles my mind that a knob like you can continually get re-elected to a position that affects so many peoples lives. Way to punish the people that are already stuggling with money situations by trying to put themselves through school. Now they have to worry about if there car will be in the spot they parked it after classes.

**893.** On the surface, it seems like a good idea. Weekly, I visit my friend on Summit, and since we work on projects together, I always have a couple of bags of stuff to carry. Fortunately, they have a driveway. HOWEVER, looking at it from other student's and adult student's point of view, this is not a good idea. I'm in no position to discuss statistics of who Could park at the park and ride, but I Can say that many if not most of evening students and I'll bet a fair number of day students attend classes before and/or after work or a very busy family schedule. They won't be doing the U Bus thingie! I won't. So, if you want to keep the people who vote you into office happy, that's one thing, but you must consider keeping UWM students of all makes and models at UWM, not going elsewhere. Life is a tradeoff!

**894.** I think this is absolutely ridiculous. Parking at UWM is already a major issue for students because of a lack of parking spaces. The U-Park lots fill up quite quickly during the week, so what are those people supposed to do who go there at 9:30 and can't find spots?? They go to campus where there still aren't spots. This proposal would make things even worse.

**895.** I got a ticket at registration when we had no chance to put money in the meter why would you be such an ass and do this to us were your future.

**896.** Facilities such as the hospital use the limited parking around UWM.

**897.** Most residents in that area have their own driveways, so they at least are not losing anything by allowing students to park on their streets. For those residents who do not have driveways, upwards of 70% of them are students themselves. I usually take the Park & Ride bus to campus, but every couple weeks I find myself running a bit late and the only way to get to class on time is to drive all the way to campus and find street parking, as the existing student lots are invariably full already.

**898.** It's hard enough for me to find parking as it is, and it's expensive to park in designated uw-m areas. I've attended other colleges that have sold semester parking passes for designated campus lots...maybe the answer is to build a larger parking structure, cuz let me tell you that an extra 750 spaces is just NOT going to solve the problem...especially if you take that many spaces off of the street.

**899.** As taxpayers and Milwaukee residents, we all must feel an obligation to work with UWM Students and community to help provide parking spaces for students

attending UWM who find it necessary to drive to school.

**900.** There aren't nearly enough public parking lots in Milwaukee compared to the other cities I've lived in. How about adding some parking instead of just ticketing everyone in sight?

**901.** Lower fines, make more parking for commuters

**902.** Busing to UWM is inadequate. Many times during the school year, riders have to stand for the 45-minute expressway ride on the park and ride bus routes. The 16-bus route doesn't always run and employees need to find alternate routes. The south and west side of the city doesn't have a convenient summer park and ride lot since the lakefront lots are closed in the summer. Try running 3 blocks for a bus that only comes every 40 minutes, because, if you wait at a closer stop, all the seats will be full. Unfortunately not all students and employees are young and athletic, so busing has become a nightmare. Try watching after a 20-minute wait, your bus drive by because the driver is not familiar with the route. Timely and comfortable public transportation would help to encourage people to ride the bus. People who buy homes near a campus know the parking is going to be crowded; it has been the same since the 60's. If the city works with UWM to provide adequate, timely and convenient parking that will improve the situation. It is already very difficult to find parking for more than 2 hours near campus. The city and campus should work to promote car-pooling with incentives. If you are going to take away the little parking that is available, then develop alternatives first.

**903.** More parking spaces, more extended hours of meter parking, more convenient and less tickets.

**904.** Add more parking with meters.

**905.** There is already no parking available for students, why make it worse?

**906.** if we hope to keep UWM viable as a commuter university and attract the kinds of students who will pursue graduate and post-graduate degrees, then we need to make accommodation for parking. Most students don't live on campus or in the general vicinity and need to park. Bus service in MKE is atrocious and the U shuttle is slow. As a working woman, completing her PhD, I have two jobs and a family. Parking is more than half the battle of attending UWM and it shouldn't be. I could go elsewhere for my doctorate and not pay for parking at all and have plenty available.

**907.** You are an absolutely HORRIBLE Alderman! THIS IS AN UNIVERSITY, not a RESIDENTIAL AREA! Surrounding the campus is student housing, if you would like a residential area go some place else! We exist and live here. We as UWM students AND FACULTY will make sure when it comes to reelection you will no longer maintain your seat as Alderman due to your lack of respect for the UWM student and faculty, we make you your money but will no more.

**908.** Don't buy a house on campus, if you don't want to have congested street parking.

**909.** Stop towing student's cars you jerk!

**910.** Dear Alderman D'Amato, Residents living in your district were fully aware of the impact that the UWM campus has on parking, traffic, and noise before they purchased their homes. It is a fact of life on the East Side that the residents (including students) have come to expect. No more special consideration should be given to them, than to the residents of Bayview who are subjected to the noise from airline flight paths. You do not see their alderman petitioning to move the airport or change flight paths..... The fact is, students contribute

heavily to the local businesses of your district and to the tax base. We do not need anymore restrictive and unfair parking codes. Please reconsider RPP.  
Sincerely, Timothy Witmer

**911.** Why would you want to put another hardship on the already taxed students at UWM? We the students already have enough to think about regarding our education. How would you like to be in a meeting and come out and find your car ticketed and/or towed and then have to figure out a way to pay for the ticket. (not a pretty picture). Well, I hope that this petition does not go through.

**912.** It is absurd that UWM students should continue to bear the brunt of parking woes in this area of Milwaukee. Until the city and Mr.D'Amato can come up with an adequate parking option for the students who must park around campus, RPP should not even be on the table for discussion. D'Amato most likely thinks he serves the interests of his constituents when advocated such measures, but is it in their interests to continue to ostracize a student body which is already strapped beyond endurance by funding cuts and tuition increases? Further, how many absentee-landlords that rent to students in the area really worry about their ability to park cars off street?

**913.** no

**914.** Being a staff memeber, this affects us as well. Has he thought about the approx 4,000 staff people this would affect?

**915.** Irrational parking regulations may seem like a good idea... a nice way to raise taxes without "raising taxes". But by making it more difficult for students to afford to come to classes and for faculty and staff to be able to do their jobs without being penalized for the audacity of having to commute, you: a) make college less affordable to those who are already struggling to afford record (and obscene) tuitions; b) make this university a less attractive place for students to attend and for faculty and staff to work; c) drive away the very people, students and staff, who help to make this part of Milwaukee unique, vital, and generally pleasant to live in. If you drive out the jobs provided by the university, and reduce the potential educated work force which can make this city, state, and nation competitive in today's world-market, you will lose a lot more in the long run than you gain in the short. Re-evaluating this ill-considered bill in the light of reason should permit you to see that.

**916.** It is already dangerous for people, particularly women like myself, who have to walk for blocks or wait alone at night for buses. This wouldn't do anything but make it worse and increase rapes and armed robberies in the area. Our city has enough of that as it is. We don't need anymore.

**917.** As students in a University of Wisconsin school, we already have jobs, homework, class, and a million other things that occupy our time. We don't have time to be wasted worrying about whether or not our car is being towed or ticketed. Please don't take away the freedom many of us have with a car to transport us in a city that many of us are new to.

**918.** Why don't you come up with an idea that will help out students? The parking is awful.

**919.** Parking is ridiculous as it is. Our tuition has already gone up. Not everyone can ride the bus to school, or carpool. The state already wastes our money, what are you going to sdo with this? We're college students, we don't have the extra cash that you do to pay random parking tickets or to get our car out of the impound.

**920.** The residents should get priority over non residents. They are paying to live close to school, they should have a parking spot. That is why there are satellite

	lots.
<b>921.</b>	It is just more stress that college students dont need any more of!!
<b>922.</b>	Allow UWM to construct parking structures. Remove the height restrictions to construction. UWM is a major asset to the Milwaukee community and Milwaukee should support them.
<b>923.</b>	Parking on campus is already hard enough, please do not make it harder for those of us that have to commute to campus and do not live anywhere near a busline.
<b>924.</b>	It already hard enough to find parking as it is, implementing this new plan would make this even more difficult.
<b>925.</b>	I think it has to be done to appease the local residents, this will allow for less opposition to a park structure to address the parking issue to a degree. The residents pay for parking on the streets in front of their homes and because of construction to Klotche and other construction have had to suffer the problems of the university. It is unfair to ask residents to give up their parking so students don't receive tickets. U-Park needs to be better utilized and less congestion will make UWM a better campus.
<b>926.</b>	People that own houses have driveways, and I cannot even begin to tell you how frustrating it is to find a parking spot around the campus. Even the park and ride lots by McKinley Marina and Veterans Park are full. If it weren't for the park and ride lots, it would be complete chaos, and reducing the number of spots on the roads are going to add to the parking nightmare, as well as receiving a \$20.00 parking ticket almost everyday which extremely busy college kids do not have the time or money for.
<b>927.</b>	Why should it be my problem if people don't have a garage? We commuters get harassed enough by campus and Milwaukee police as it is.
<b>928.</b>	The value of creating new parking, in itself, should begin to relieve residential parking issues. I do not support the RPP.
<b>929.</b>	The University has been here longer than most residents. When they moved to this neighborhood, they must have realized that students, faculty and staff need a place to park.
<b>930.</b>	If parking is at such a premium, why won't local government and residents accept the building of a new parking structure?
<b>931.</b>	Parking is already a problem, we need a solution, not to go the other way.
<b>932.</b>	Why discriminate against the ones who bring money to the city.
<b>933.</b>	The only way that I support RPP is if you can accomodate all the displaced students.
<b>934.</b>	Parking is a huge problem for both residents and students. Punishing one group in favor of the other is not a solution. A more substantial solution needs to be found to the problem.
<b>935.</b>	Students do not have money to pay for parking tickets and most of us work which means we are driving to class and can't lose the few parking spaces we already have.
<b>936.</b>	I can't afford my rent... and I definately can't offord my parking tickets. I have a motorcycle.
<b>937.</b>	Mr. D'Amato: Why don't you save the bookmobile and support our libraries and

maybe NOT cut our fire department before you worry about parking. Our libraries are more important.

**938.** RPP is totally unfair. Area residents have their driveways, alleys and garages in which to park!

**939.** I pay Milwaukee property taxes as well as the increasing tuition to UWM. I feel that I have the right to park on the streets surrounding UWM campus just as much as the homeowners do.

**940.** Parking is the largest campus issue at UWM. The RPP will make this problem worse, causing students to consider other higher educational options. The commuter and offsite parking options are awful and inefficient. Why should students not be able to park adjacent to campus? Tuition should trump Milwaukee's property taxes.

**941.** Instead of worrying about parking issues here on the east side, I really think that you should be worrying about more important matters like the armed robberies and rapes that go on down here. If you do want to increase the size of the police force around campus, that's fine; I just think that you should increase the number of cops who can actually protect and serve instead of increasing the number of rent-a-cops who have chalk on a stick because they are too lazy to get out of their cars. You need to get your priorities straight.

**942.** He may be attempting to do good things for the community, but over the past few years it appears that the students - both commuter & resident - get screwed an awful lot b/c of his stance on a # of items. I have been in a much better environment since moving downtown over a year ago.

**943.** unless you can talk the city into creating more lot space or an actual structure for UWM parking on the east side will continue to be a problem

**944.** I believe RPP is just another measure to please the wealthy residents of the UWM neighborhood. The majority of parking spaces that are used are during hours when residence are or should be at work. The home owners have side driveways that provide ample parking for them. I would like it explained to me how residential street parking benefits the home owners. This measure would also hurt commuters who are part-time students. Part-time students may not have the luxury of time to catch a bus to campus, then back to their car and then to work. I believe that the city and the university need to find additional parking closer to campus to compliment the already overcrowded parking at the lake front. Telling people to simply catch the bus is an easy and simplistic way to solve the problem that doesn't require much thought or brain storming.

**945.** I think that ticketing students is the fastest way to build resentment towards the school.

**946.** gtttt!!!!

**947.** Unless you plan on building the UWM students a ten story parking garage, please leave the spaces open to everyone.

**948.** RPP would provide another hardship for students commuting to and from the university. As the university is primarily a commuter university, how are students going to have access?

**949.** I park in the UPark lots and take the yellow bus to school, thus avoiding tickets. These lots would increase in use if this goes through and I was wondering what types of implementations will be put into place to assist with the overcrowding. Also, I do take Route 16 when I can to school, ~ 2 times per week. Is there any way to increase this service with times leaving and picking up so that I could

take this more? Also, I pay each tuition period with cash - I feel that students who pay cash should receive a 20% discount - I think others would think twice before paying some other way.

**950.** parking is a huge issue for us students and causes the most grief with attending UWM. I don't feel comfortable parking at the U bus stops as i'm a mother and in case of emergency need to be able to get to my car immediately. Parking within walking distance is number one.

**951.** No.

**952.** I currently commute to UWM for the MBA program. I have a had enough time fighting for a spot to be open on campus in the evening that sometimes I do need to park on the streets. If I had a different mode of transportation, I probably wouldn't be as upset by hearing this news, but that is not the case. I need to be able to rely on the spot that I choose, besides I'm only there for a few hours.

**953.** The community and UW-M should be looking for areas in which their interests are shared and beneficial for one another. Communication needs to begin based on those shared interests. There is nothing to be gained by focusing on the parking situation. On one hand the planners at UW-M have been very negligent in not properly planning for future needs. On the other hand, the University and its needs were present before most of the people owned their houses in that area. I think that Alderman D'Amato may have political motives, vote gathering, foremost in mind rather than the betterment of the community as a whole.

**954.** There are many students who commute to school. Using the 'park and rides' are not the best way for all of us to get to school. Having 2 hour parking for free is bad enough when most of us have more than 2 hours of classes. Sure, there are 3 hour meters, but with tuition, cost of food, cost of living, gas, and the extreme price of books who can afford to pay to park! Better yet who can afford to pay the parking tickets and extra cost for towing if you decide to put this into action. All we are trying to do is go to school and you are forcing us to worry about having tickets on our cars or even not finding are cars where we parked them when we get back from class. If people who live in the houses around UWM want to park where many students have been parking, they can move their cars out of their garages and put them in the 2 hour spots we have been using. Let them run to their cars every two hours to make sure they don't get a \$20 ticket and let us park in their garages!

**955.** Students need to park to go to school

**956.** Alder D'Amato, I believe that UW-M does enrich the community greatly. As a PhD student and instructor of nontraditional students, I know that a growing number of excellent potential students are not considering UW-M due to the dearth of parking. No everyone has access to public transportation--and I do believe that when persons purchase property in the area they are aware that they are purchasing property near a university! Thanks for your attention, Ann Williams

**957.** I feel the students at Uwm need more parking.We should not be getting ticket while we're in class trying to get an education to come out side and see that our car has an ticket on it.Since I been here this year I have recieved three tickets.I can not afford these tickets.Now my mother has to drop me off everyday and pick me up just to make sure I don't get another ticket.There has to be a change.

**958.** Residents should be allowed to park where they live and where they pay taxes. I think this is a step in the right direction for the residents of Milwaukee's East side. I do not live in Milwaukee, but in Shorewood, and it is easy for me to catch one of two bus routes to class each day. Parking sucks aroound campus,

sure, but students should learn to use the resources that are given to them.

**959.** UWM students have been over ticketed for at least 18 years that I know of. It is already too hard to pay for school let alone getting to it. It's ashame our city taxes the people who can't afford it. When you have to pay more in tickets than you do on your books, THAT'S A CRIME!

**960.** Yeah this parking situation at UWM is pretty unreal. I have had to pay thousands of dollars in parking tickets over the last three and a half years. It is not fair to have 2 hour classes and having every parking spot 30minutes or an hour.

**961.** As a longtime taxpayer, how can the government that I support, make parking on the very streets that I pay for, exclusive to anyone?

**962.** All the parking around and near the EMS Bldg. is already 1 or 2 hour parking.

**963.** I think any increase in what students have to spend already for their education is a sad, sad day for higher education. If there were reasonable, reliable , and realistic alternatives for students that would be one thing. However, spending an hour on a bus is not realiable, realistic, or reasonable for students most of whom have to work full time jobs to pay for the tuition increases.

**964.** A college has been in this area since the 1800's, existing as the Downer Women's College prior to UWM. No resident can claim they moved into this area without knowledge of living near a campus environment. Thus, to maintain negative views of the campus or students, and to act against the campus or students, is without warrant. The only measure for residents who dislike the environment in which they live is to move OUT of the area. All these continued measures against students will bring about is a backlash against the residents themselves. The unfavourable actions of a few should not affect the community as a whole.

**965.** I previously lived in downtown Minneapolis where Residential Preferred Parking was in effect and it was more of a hassle than convenience-as a resident, not student. The parking pass did not "guarantee" spaces for parking and became a huge problem for those without one. The winter was a disaster with snow emergencies and plowing blocking certain streets and specific sides of others. It's just best to avoid the RPP system--by UWM there are only a few main streets that this would even be necessary for. If you want to implement a system such as RPP, I suggest proposing a parking structure that fits the quantity of students that drive to school. I commute an hour to campus five days a week, the last thing I need is to drive around looking for parking for a half hour before class each day-I also have a heavy courseload daily which prevents me from using park and rides-as I commonly need to access my car for different books and materials.

**966.** Something needs to be done about parking at UWM. These students are here to be students! They're trying to get an education. I think that should be taken into account. The students are only parking there so they can go to their classes. It's very discouraging to come out and see that you have a parking ticket. Something needs to be done about the time limits for the parking, too. They need to be extended.

**967.** UWM is a commuter school, therefore we must be able to commute to the school. Maybe all of the money collected over the years from parking tickets could have been used to build an additional parking structure. Also, how would the community fare if UWM was gone?

**968.** I would like to ask if the "Residents" are going to bear the entire financial

burden of maintaining these streets if they are going to refuse to let anyone else park on them. I thought streets were public property as they are built and maintained with taxpayer's money. I would also like to ask if there are any "Residents" who bought a house in this area and didn't know UWM was already here. I would like to ask why the "Residents" have continually refused to let UWM build a parking ramp. I would like to ask if the "Residents" think this area would have all the eclectic businesses and restaurants that are here if UWM wasn't here. I would like to point out that this proposal is just about the most mean spirited thing I have heard lately, although coming from Mr. D'Amato it doesn't surprise me.

**969.** It will cause even more unnecessary difficulties for students. You can't live near a college campus and expect there to be plenty of parking for you just because you live there. If you want to be able to find a parking spot easily in your own neighborhood, don't live by a college. It should be common sense.

**970.** While not in favor of any RPP plan with mandatory 1 for 1 designations, I AM in favor of a mandatory minimum of on campus parking spaces as a percentage of the student population. Please pass a law requiring a minimum amount of parking spaces and MAKE UWM build a huge parking structure.

**971.** Many students, such as myself, live a fair distance from campus and also have part-time to full-time employment. This makes using the bus system time-consuming and impractical. There is already a shortage of parking at UWM...please take this into consideration. Thank you.

**972.** As a full-time employee, mother, wife, etc. and part-time student, I do not have the time to commute by bus or UPASS. I am consistently just barely on time for classes due to my hectic schedule. In addition, I am at the point where I almost cannot afford to drive to work any longer due to gas prices. If I have to pay even more due to your proposal I will end up dropping out of school, which is not good for the county, the state, or me personally.

**973.** Why would you try to pass such a thing that would result in students paying more money to the city of Milwaukee. The students already pay enough for tuition, and even more for overpriced books. The students have enough to cover for paying to get through college. The system keeps making it more expensive for students and this RPP would make it worse.

**974.** It is the University's responsibility to provide sufficient parking for their students, not the city. The e-mail from the University presenting this survey is designed to elicit a negative student response by placing the onus on the city while ignoring the University's responsibility. The specific statements I object to are: "Upon implementation of the proposal, a UWM student would face undo hardship, up to and including having their car ticketed and towed while they're gone at class. UWM Students already face a tuition increase this academic year, and cannot afford to pay for more parking tickets due to these types of proposals advanced by Alderman Mike D'Amato. "

**975.** SINCE STUDENTS & EMPLOYEES AT UWM ARE ALSO TAX PAYERS (AS ARE THE RESIDENTS), I DO NOT BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE LEGAL FOR A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE (THE RESIDENTS) TO DICTATE "NEW" PARKING REGULATIONS. THESE ARE CITY STREETS!! THE RESIDENTS KNEW THE PROBLEMS THEY MIGHT FACE IF THEY LIVED NEXT DOOR TO A PUBLIC UNIVERSITY - DEAL WITH IT!

**976.** Why cause more of a parking headache than there already is?

**977.** It's a good idea, I live on a street around campus and can never find a spot to park my car because all of the areas are full during the day and well into the



evening. It would make life much easier for the residents surrounding the campus. Being a student, I am against the university opposing the RPP. Students should start to use the commuter lots that are most times empty (capitol Lot) instead of parking full all of the streets around the neighborhoods near campus.

**978.** As a commuter and part time student, I am strongly opposed to the RPP. This proposal will make it more difficult and stressful for student to achieve advanced degrees since most are commuters. The public transportation system is not set up to be convenient for part time students who live in other cities.

**979.** It is an alright idea in some areas but he needs to find other ways people can park.

**980.** Non-students who live in the neighborhood surrounding UW-M should have parking preference over students.

**981.** While I understand that there is a need for residents to park, it cannot come at the expense of strangling the University, which is the only reason that people come to the 3rd District.

**982.** Many of us grad students are working full-time in addition to attending classes. We often do not have a choice but to park on or near campus.

**983.** I don't understand why you hate students so much - first you try to make it harder for us to live in the residential neighborhoods around campus, now you try to take away parking for us... without these parking spots available the majority of UWM's students who commute would be unable to do so!

**984.** Mr. D'Amato, If you are trying to be fair to the residents in your area, then you should attempt to survey the students that are in the area; particularly the Urban Development majors at UWM. I am sure that they will have solutions to the development/parking needs around the campus. Thank you for your time.

**985.** Parking is so difficult around UWM, the city of Milwaukee makes plenty of money from parking tickets off students, your gonna make it harder for kids to access the school, UWM is one of the hardest working schools, people with two jobs and double majors and living on there own, dont take out parking spaces too. we need to move and fast. UWM is not a school to let Milwaukee down, it is important to support us students, we will represent. You shouldnt let us down cause we wont let you down. Think of something different, maybe ask for our help to think of something. [www.surveymonkey.com](http://www.surveymonkey.com) works well.

**986.** I do not drive; I don't even own a car, but taking away parking spaces that college students need and are accustomed to using is not only a bad idea, it is incredibly disrespectful. Students are people, just like everyone else, and this campus generates a great deal of revenue. Next time, please think twice before trying to limit students rights.

**987.** I thought you supported your constituents. Without the economic advantages of this campus this city would suffer tremendously. Maybe you should spend more time tracking down slumblords that bring down property value and less time hurtng an easily unified mass of voters.

**988.** UWM is known throughout the UW-System for its commuters. If there will be no where to park for the commuters, the number of new freshman and even returning students could easily fall. There is not enough parking with the park and ride, so some are forced park elsewhere. When that option is gone, they will be forced to make a different decision that could ultimatley affect UWM in a negative light.

**989.** This initiative is another clear example of the discrimination and distaste

Alderman D'Amato has toward students. His argument is students pass in and out of the neighborhood every four to five years with a repetitious cycle and he must protect the best interests of his "real" or long-term constituents.

990. I want to know why he hates students so much?

991. These residents purchased their homes knowing they were entitled to the property exclusive of public sidewalks and public roads. They chose whether or not to buy a home with offstreet parking facilities, as any homeowner living anywhere in Milwaukee would make. My question to D'amato is this: "Would you ever consider implementing RPP in front of a business district, perhaps from the Starbucks on Downer and Webster to the bank on Park and Downer, or is it simply that much easier to discriminate against students than business owners?" My guess is he would not. The millions of dollars students pay in parking tickets each year could be used for far greater things - there would be less parking checkers and more small business owners, the money going to real people rather than "robots" going around slapping us with tickets. Moreover, more money going into to the business sector means growth, tourism, and all those positive aspects that make a city flourish. Until my girlfriend pays off her \$2000 in parking tickets, chances are we won't be attending any local theaters or eating out much, my apologies to the great restaurateurs of the area.

992. I feel that the residents around UWM moved here knowing that there would be parking problems therefore they can make their own accomidations. We need the spaces for our commuting students!

993. I think this initiative discriminates against college students because many of the people that live around here have diveways and/or garages. Parking has always been a problem around the campus and if this initiative moves forward and provides more parking for the residents it will take away parking for the students and that does nothing to solve the parking crunch near the UWM campus. Providing students with more parking alternatives would move their cars off the streets and help both students and the residents

994. It is hard enough to find parking within a reasonable walking distance. I personally do not need parking at the present time, but when my parents or friends come to visit it would be nice to know that they won't have to either walk a long distance or pay for parking. One possible solution would be to lower the time limits on some of the parking areas. Changing the two hour parking areas down to one hour. And in doing so, keeping the areas opened for parking on Saturdays and Sundays.

995. RPP is discriminatory towards students who commute to school as well as students who live in the surrounding neighborhoods. UWM has been taking many steps towards relieving the parking problem, but for every attempt we make you create more roadblocks and cause us to adjust our intentions. Without compromise, we will continue to be on opposing sides in neighboring communities.

996. The plan would be a complete disaster. Students who commute already have limited resources for parking. The lakefront lots are consistently full and when there is snowfall, there is an even greater loss of parking space. Each house most likely has 6-8 people living it. There wouldn't be enough space to support them. I strongly oppose the plan for Residential Preferred Parking.

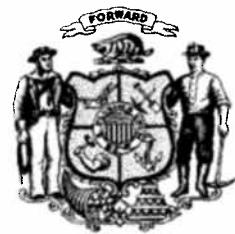
997. UWM is an overwhelmingly COMMUTER school. How do you expect students to get to classes if they cannot park around campus?!? This is a ridiculous show of blatent disrespect for ALL students who need parking.

998. If there is one thing that I have disliked as a UWM student over the past few

	years is the parking problem and all of the extra expenses that go along with it.
999.	Cheaper parking! Cheaper Books! Chepaer tuition!
1000.	There are many people who drive to UWM for classes everyday of the week. It is nearly impossible to find places to park that are both reasonable in price and close to the campus. RPP would eliminate even more of the available parking.
1001.	Try working with us for once. We are the future leaders of the world.
1002.	Dear Alderman Mike D'Amato - your a dick get a life.
1003.	We have enough problems finding parking... residents around UW-Milwaukee have drive ways and garages. If they intend to live around campus, then they should know there will be a lot of cars and students around the peak class hours.
1004.	Parking is already valued at a premium on the East Side of Milwaukee, especially around UWM, so for you to support a bill like Residential Preferred Parking would only make me not want you representing the District that I live in and pay taxes. This bill is an opportunity for you to make money giving out parking tickets and towing fees, in order to fill your pockets. Prove me wrong by not passing this bill and find another legitimate way to raise revenue for our district.
1005.	The majority of the residential properties surrounding UWM have garages. It would be unfair to deny students the ability to park on a side street instead of paying high parking fees. There are people who have to commute to campus because of family obligations and cannot afford to pay the high parking fees. Please don't complicate the already complicated parking situation.
1006.	There are more people in this neighborhood than residents. I am a resident, and I am a student. I will work very hard to make sure you do not get elected if you screw students over anymore.
1007.	I think that towing cars every other friday is pretty unfair considering it seems to only be done around uwm. I noticed one day after a rainstorm the streets had just been totally washed clean by the stormwater runoff, but still the towtrucks were lined up all over the uwm area. i think street sweeping is a good idea, but it should be done consistantly all over milwaukee.
1008.	Where do you suggest we park, if you don't want us on public streets near campus??
1009.	I condemn D'Amato for his continued cynical and craven attempts to pander the worst instincts of the East Side residents. Shame on him!
1010.	We need more parking in general, especially for students. We are a MAJOR commuter school and the less places for students to park the less students.
1011.	n/a
1012.	Parking is already awful at UWM. Not allowing students to park on the streets, will affect each driving student negatively. 1. They will not be able to be independent of the bus schedules and other risks involved with taking the bus in the evening. 2. Most students drive to school even if they live near campus, especially in the cold winter. This might negatively effect class attendence also. I strongly disagree with the alderman's plan. Instead of finding a solution to this big problem, he is creating more. Hopefully I'll graduate before this change.
1013.	UWM students need to respect the rights of East-side home owners and accept responsibility for cleaning up their car-litter. (fast food bags, bottles, cans, etc.) Keep up the good work Mike. Steve Schaffer



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November 6, 2005

Senator Neal Kedzie  
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State Capitol

~ **Hand-Delivered** ~

Dear Senator Kedzie,

Thank you for holding a public hearing on the parking bill that would allow for the creation of a residential parking program in the neighborhoods surrounding UW-Milwaukee. As we noted in our testimony, SB 329 will allow for the alteration of the existing resident street parking rules so homeowners who live near the campus can find relief from the crammed streets and non-existent parking options they face seemingly everyday.

We have informally polled the members of the Senate Transportation and Natural Resources Committee and believe there is sufficient support to pass this legislation. Therefore, we respectfully request you hold an executive session on SB 329 at your committee's earliest convenience.

Legislative and gubernatorial approval of this bill will give the Milwaukee city attorney the ability to craft an ordinance that can be dissected, debated and finalized at the local level. We have every confidence that all those with an interest in off-campus parking issues will have their voices heard and their opinions taken seriously. Eventually, the end result of this collaborative effort will be more students having the ability to park on campus, and more homeowners enjoying an open space to park near their homes.

Again, we thank you for your support of SB 329. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to phone one or both of us.

Sincerely,

ALBERTA DARLING  
State Senator

  
JON RICHARDS  
State Representative