

Attached please find the photos and a diagram we would like to submit in relation to the parking issues we currently experience and we only feel would be exacerbated by allowing a mixed used group into 147-151 Belmont Street.

As we stated at the meeting, there are currently 7 businesses on this stretch of Belmont Street and a total of 11 parking spots. As a result of the limited parking, customers and staff are forced to park on the side streets and more often than not, in front of our home for long stretches of time. The photos I included are just a small sample of what we face on a daily basis: cars parked in spots that are not spots, cars parked alongside signs that say "no parking from here to corner" and a fire hydrant, cars actually blocking our driveway and most seriously, cars parked illegally on the corner of Belmont and Exeter Streets, so that we have to inch our way out into oncoming traffic so we can see if it's safe to turn onto Belmont Street...it's a dangerous situation and there is absolutely no enforcement of any of these "ticket-able" offenses.

In closing, if this application is approved, I would like assurances that we will get something along the lines of two hour parking on Exeter Street or permit parking like they got implemented over by the high school and the enforcement that needs to go along with it so that once again, the abutters are not the ones left to deal with all of the issues that go along with expanding businesses when there is no parking.

Thank you very much.

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Not a spot



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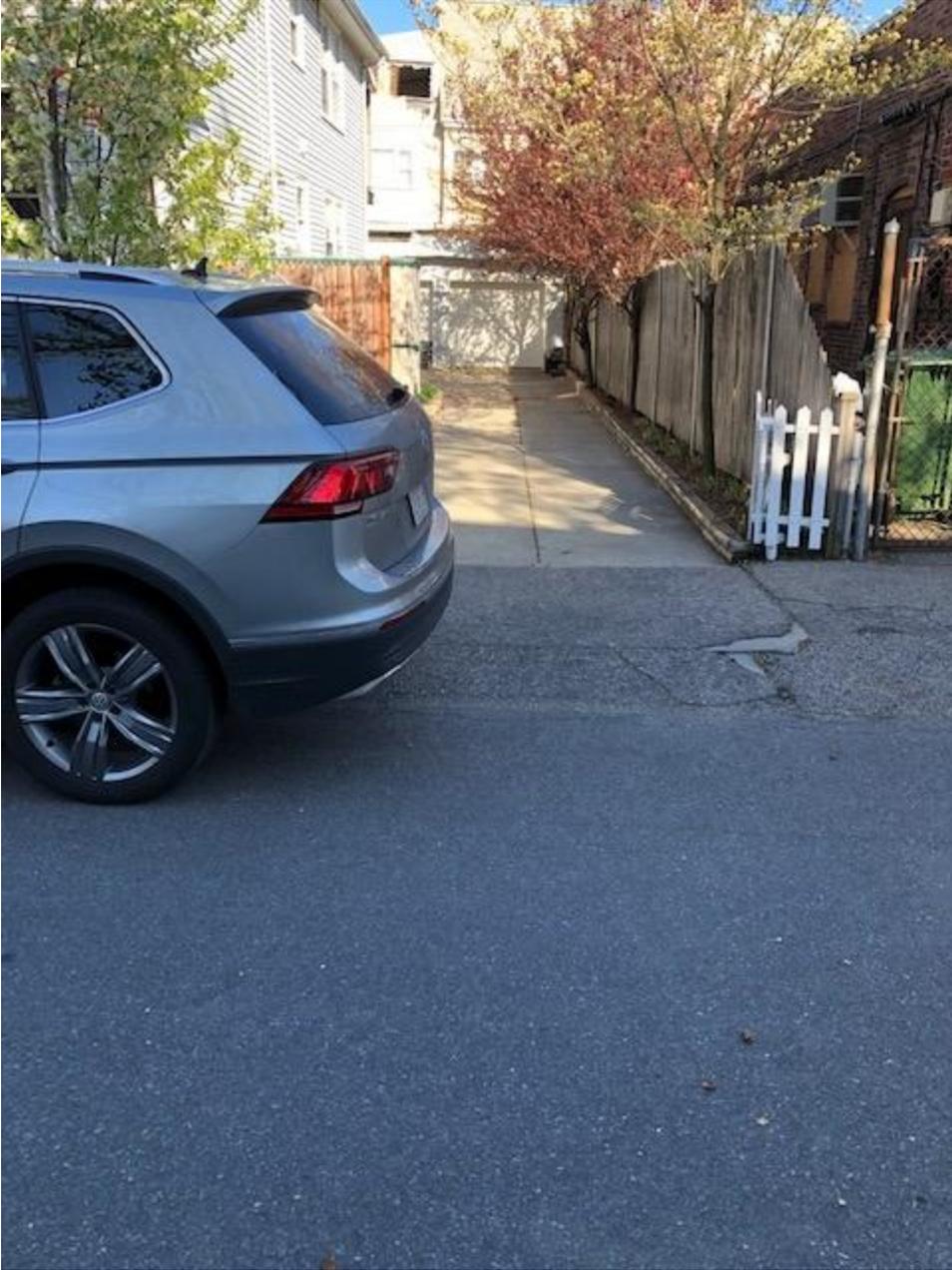
No parking here to corner and fire hydrant



Car parked in crosswalk



Car blocking driveway



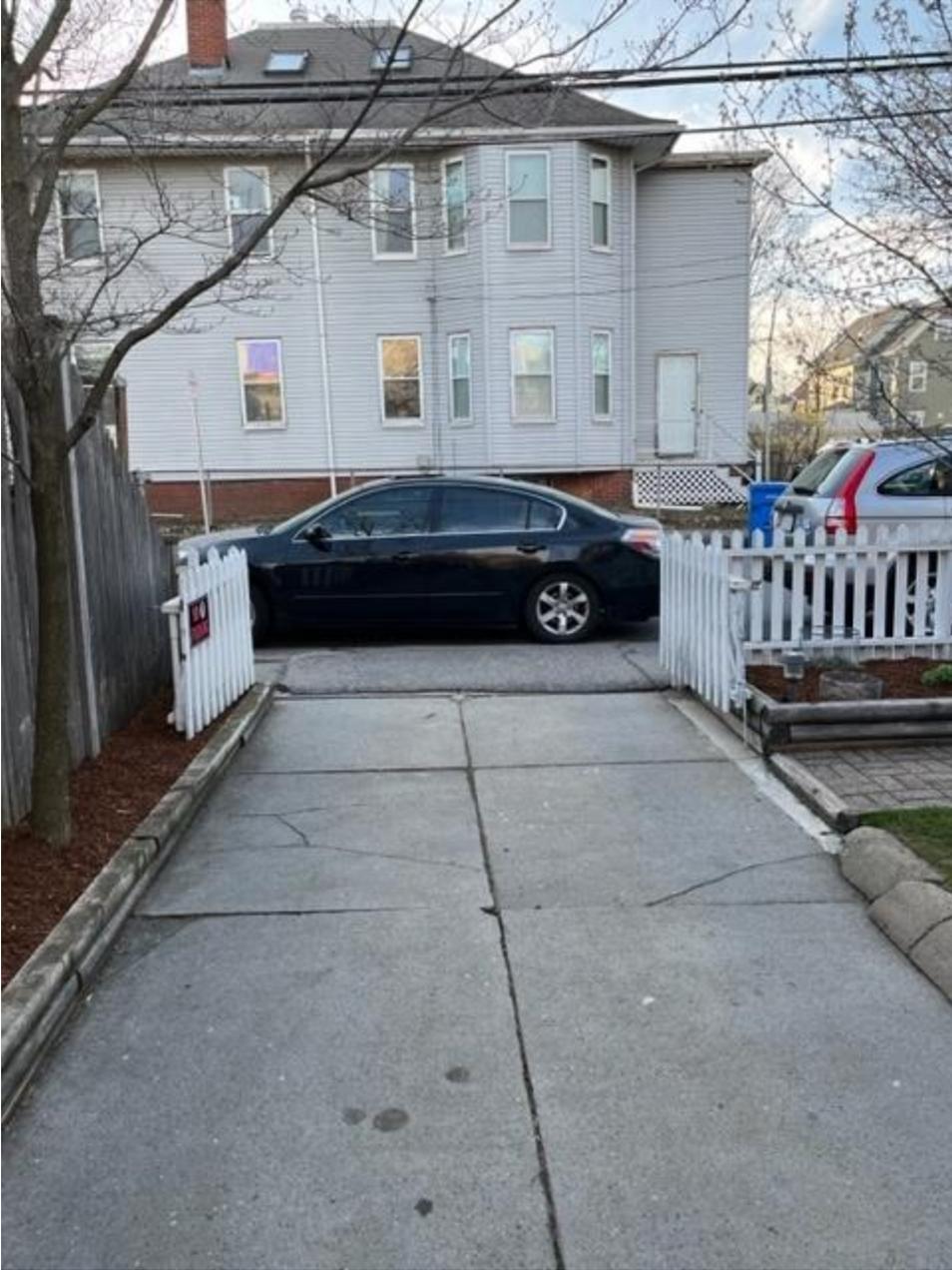
Car blocking driveway



Car blocking driveway



No parking here to corner



Car totally blocking driveway



Car out on Belmont Street, blocking part of Exeter Street ~ so not a spot! Dangerous!



No parking here to corner

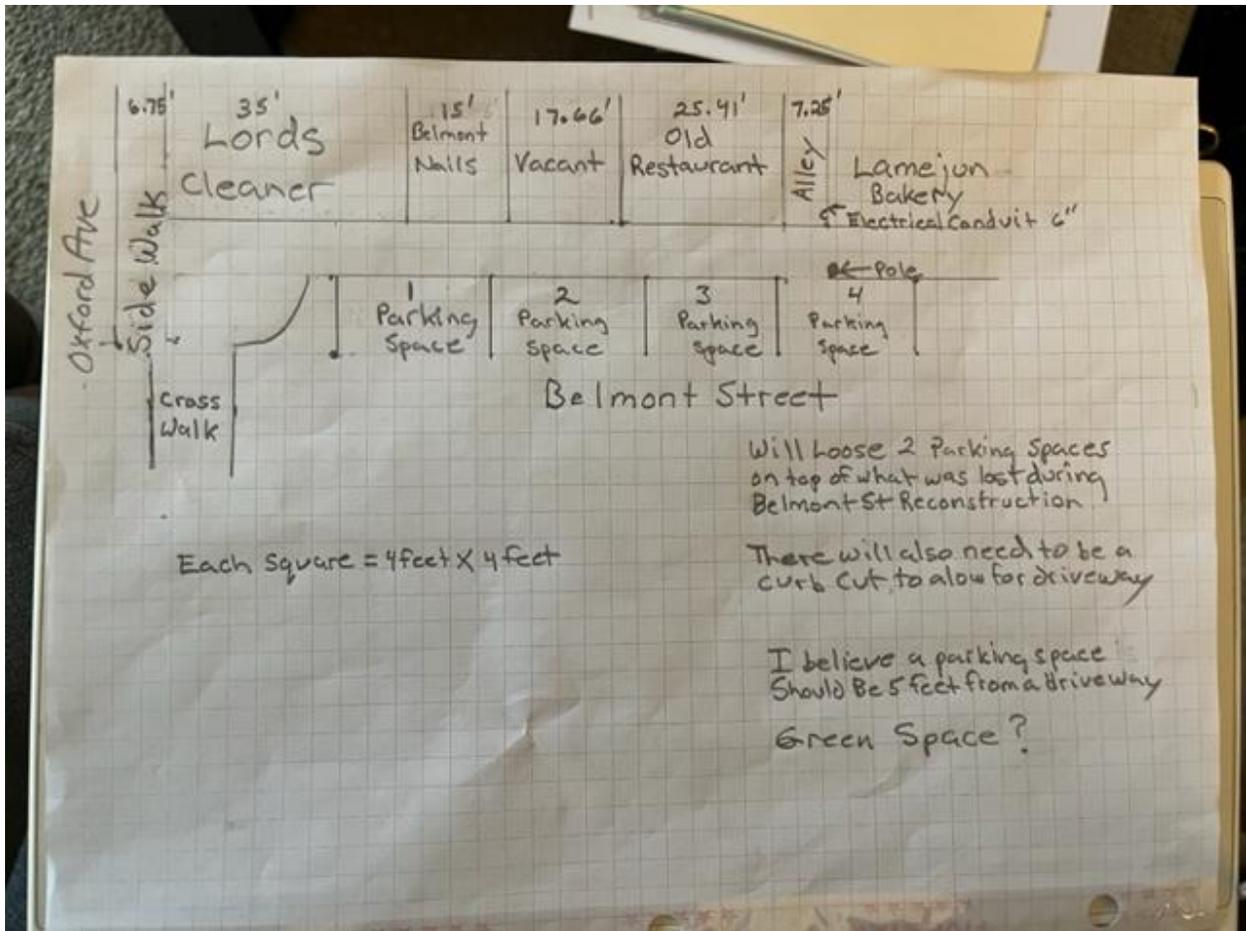


Diagram ~ losing two current spots on Belmont Street due to curb cutout that will need to take place for expanded driveway proposed

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