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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: September 6, 2017

TITLE: Resolution to Designate the Colee Hammock Neighborhood as a

Residential Parking Permit District

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution to designate Colee Hammock neighborhood as Residential Parking Permit District (RPPD), in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 26-168 and 26-169, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

# **Background**

The Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM), Parking Services Division has been working with the Colee Hammock neighborhood to address ongoing parking concerns in the residential area. Colee Hammock neighborhood is illustrated in Exhibit 1.

In May 2016, Parking Services surveyed the Colee Hammock neighborhood to determine if they qualify for the Residential Parking Permit District (RPPD). Results of the study are highlighted in the chart below. A License Plate Recognition (LPR) system was used to record vehicles parked in the neighborhood every hour from 7 AM to 4 AM during the survey sample. The study revealed that 73.9% of the vehicles parked in Colee Hammock were non-neighbor vehicles.

#### **Colee Hammock**

Day of Week	Total Vehicles	Residents	Non-Residents	% of Residents	% of Non-Res
Sunday	139	30	109	21.6%	78.4%
Monday	128	26	102	20.3%	79.7%
Tuesday	58	26	32	44.8%	55.2%
Wednesday	62	18	44	29.0%	71.0%
Thursday	85	18	67	21.2%	-78.8%
Friday	79	26	53	32.9%	67.1%
Saturday	141	36	105	25.5%	74.5%

Totals All Days	692	180	512
		26.0%	74.0%

The Colee Hammock neighborhood was polled via an online survey asking if neighbors were in support of an RPPP. Notifications of the survey were sent to each residence in the neighborhood. Paper surveys were mailed to those who did not have computer access. Colee Hammock resulted in 137 responses, 122 were in support. The neighborhood meets the ordinance criteria.

Certain criteria are required for an RPPD. Neighborhoods need to demonstrate hardships and quality of life issues (Exhibit 2). Most of the issues in this area include private driveways being blocked, curbside solid waste service is not being picked up due to vehicles parked blocking the carts or carts being moved to the sidewalks to make space for a vehicle to park, safety concerns for residents pulling out of their driveways (line of sight), trash deposited on the street from visitors, loud noise at late hours of evening, as well as traffic lanes blocked that hinder the traffic flow. The proposed restriction period for non-neighbor vehicles in the neighborhood would be seven days a week from 10am to 8pm; however the data shows eligibility to midnight. The cost of the annual permits will be \$30.

In addition, TAM met with representatives of the First Presbyterian Church to evaluate the impact a RPPD will have on the church. Church representatives approve the proposed RPPD as amended to exempt the streets adjacent to the Church (Exhibit 3).

The enactment of this RPPD for the Colee Hammock neighborhood is in the best interest of the City, it will likely reduce vehicular congestion on residential streets and facilitate the efficient movement of traffic, and is necessary to promote the health, safety and welfare of the neighbors by reducing the adverse conditions caused by the parking of vehicles by non-neighbors.

#### **Resource Impact**

There will be no fiscal impact from the sale of residential permits cost at \$30.00 each permit, annually, as the cost of the permit sales will cover the operational costs (see proforma as Exhibit 4).

## **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Places Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- Objective 3: Enhance the beauty, aesthetics, and environmental quality of neighborhoods.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are Community.

# **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - Map of Colee Hammock Neighborhood

Exhibit 2 - Quality of Life Issues

Exhibit 3 - Letter of Support

Exhibit 4 - Proforma Exhibit 5 - Resolution

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