



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#17-1129

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: September 19, 2017

TITLE: Resolution to Designate the Beverly Heights Neighborhood as a
Residential Parking Permit District

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission consider a resolution to designate the Beverly Heights 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 Beverly Heights neighborhood to address ongoing parking concerns in the residential area. Beverly Heights neighborhood, study area, proposed residential parking permit district, and exempt residential parking permit district area is illustrated in Exhibit 1.

In May 2017, Parking Services surveyed the Beverly Heights neighborhood to determine if they qualify for the Residential Parking Permit District (RPPD). Results of the study are highlighted in Chart A below. A License Plate Recognition (LPR) system was used to record vehicles parked in the neighborhood from 7 AM to 4 AM during the survey sample. The study revealed that 84.4% of the vehicles parked in Beverly Heights neighborhood were non-residential vehicles.

Beverly Heights

Day of Week	Total Vehicles	Residents	Non-Residents	% of Residents	% of Non-Res
Sunday	130	14	116	10.8%	89.2%
Monday	102	18	84	17.6%	82.4%
Tuesday	93	17	76	18.3%	81.7%
Wednesday	103	15	88	14.6%	85.4%
Thursday	58	14	44	24.1%	75.9%
Friday	70	12	58	17.1%	82.9%
Saturday	116	15	101	12.9%	87.1%

Totals All Days	672	105	567
		15.6%	84.4%

The Beverly Heights neighborhood was polled via an online survey asking if neighbors were in support of an RPPD. Notifications of the survey were sent to each home in the neighborhood. Paper surveys were mailed to those who did not have computer access. Beverly Heights resulted in 50 responses, 29 were in support.

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 residential area meets the criteria as set forth in the referenced ordinance. The proposed restriction period for non-residential vehicles in the neighborhood would be seven days a week from 10am to 8pm; however the data shows eligibility to midnight.

The enactment of this RPPD for the Beverly Heights 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. The sale of residential permits will cover the operational costs (see proforma as Exhibit 3). Residential parking permits will be sold at \$30 each.

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 Beverly Heights Neighborhood

Exhibit 2 - Quality of Life Issues

Exhibit 3 - Proforma

Exhibit 4 - Resolution

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