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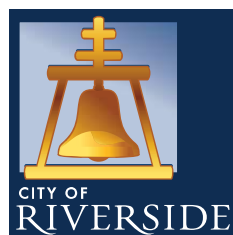
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ABOUT PREFERENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ZONES

Riverside, like many other cities, has certain areas where residents may have difficulty parking near their homes. Outside influences such as businesses, schools, and other parking generators create parking hardships for the people that live in that neighborhood. Neighborhoods experiencing consistent outside source parking may request consideration of establishment of a Preferential Parking Zone.

The permit process is a community-driven program that was created to enable Riverside residents to park on the street near their homes, by restricting outside parking users. Residents are involved in the process from the beginning by creating the parking restriction request to the final implementation of the particular restrictions that best suit the needs of their neighborhood.



ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

Advantages of a Preferential Parking Permit Zone



- Parking by non-residents is reduced or eliminated during restricted days and times.
- The amount of on-street parking available to residents and their guests is increased.
- Litter, noise and traffic created by non-residents is decreased.

Disadvantages of a Preferential Parking Permit Zone



- Vehicles without permits are subject to parking restrictions, even if they belong to residents or their guests.
- Parking restriction signs posted in the area can cause "visual blight."
- The program does not reserve or guarantee a parking space to any resident of a permit area.

DO'S AND DON'TS OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING PERMITS

- Single family property residents are eligible for 1 permit **per vehicle registered** to the address, plus 2 guest permits per address.
- Multi-Unit property residents are eligible for **1 permit** per vehicle registered to the unit's address.
- **Permits are not transferable.** You may not use the permit on another vehicle, except for the guest permit.
- If you move into a house with permit parking, you must apply for your own permit.
- Copies or duplication of permits is not allowed.
- Permits are for parking on 1 side of the street, either the odd or even addressed side on which the resident lives.
- Permit Parking is available only where signs indicate that parking with permits is allowed.
- Available parking is not guaranteed and the permit does not provide a reserved or designated parking space. Parking is on a first come, first served basis.
- Preferential Parking Permits are available to residents in the permit zone area and not to residents outside of the permit zone.
- Residents who live in areas where parking is regulated for residents only must apply for a Preferential Parking Permit to avoid receiving parking tickets.

PREFERENTIAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Curb space parking is part of the public street system and is available for everyone's use; restricting access requires a compelling reason. The Preferential Parking Permit Program helps reduce congestion in designated neighborhoods by improving resident access while balancing public use of street parking.

- Vehicles parked on the street must be moved every 72 hours and comply with street sweeping, even if not regularly used.
- Preferential Parking Zone requests are limited to one (1) review every 12 months, and zones must remain in place for at least one year before removal.
- Parking is prohibited along the curb radius or within an intersection.

Contact the 311 Call Center at (951) 826-5311 to report violations.



HOW TO GET A PREFERENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ZONE ON YOUR STREET

1. **Contact the 311 Call Center**

The first step is to contact the 311 Call Center at (951) 826-5311 to begin the process. A representative will explain the benefits and drawbacks of Preferential Permit Parking.

2. **The Petition Process**

A petition may be submitted after obtaining signatures from at least 75% of residents (one signature per parcel). Resident participation helps ensure the parking restriction reflects neighborhood needs.

3. **Minimum Permit Zone Area**

Preferential Parking Permit Zones can be one block in length or several blocks. The minimum length a project can be is 600 feet or one block.

4. **Evaluation by Staff**

Neighborhood Traffic Management Staff will evaluate the request and conduct a review to determine the parking impact on adjacent streets and feasibility of the proposal.



5. Board Review and Recommendation

If the requested Permit Zone will not adversely affect the parking in the neighborhood, staff will send the request to the Transportation Board for review and recommendation to City Council.

Residents and property owners within the proposed Permit Zone will be notified and invited to attend the board meeting to provide input on their parking concerns.

6. City Council Review and Approval

The requested Preferential Parking Permit Zone is scheduled for review and establishment by the City Council.

7. Residents Apply For Individual Permits

Once City Council approves the request, contact the 311 Call Center at (951) 826-5311 to apply for Preferential Parking Permits. Application fees may apply.



Scan the QR code to download
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