Recommendations for a Residential Parking Permit Program

Presentation to the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee

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Tonight’s JPSC Presentation

• This draft presentation contains recommendations from the Parking Permit Subcommittee on how the City of San Bruno might implement a Residential Parking Permit Program (RPPP) for neighborhoods in San Bruno.

• The recommendations of the Subcommittee are based on study of parking permit programs from neighboring cities on the Peninsula.

• No formal recommendation has been made as yet to the City Council, and the presentation contains several points for further discussion. The purpose of tonight’s presentation is to present the findings of the Subcommittee and to gather input from the TSPC and from the public before making a formal recommendation to City Council.
Agenda

• Program Goals

• Proposed Process for Implementing a Residential Parking Permit Program in a specific neighborhood

• Other Program Details

• Recommendations for Increasing Parking Inventory

• Next Steps
Program Goals

Any RPPP adopted by the City should:
• Increase the quality of life in neighborhoods that have been negatively impacted by outside parking generators
• Be accessible to impacted neighborhoods that request it
• Be flexible to meet differing needs in differing neighborhoods
• Leverage success of programs in neighboring cities
Process for Implementing an RPPP in a specific neighborhood (1)

- Resident Files Application with Public Works to Start Process
  - Initial Petition 50% +1 of respondents support?
    - Yes: Staff Study / Detailed Staff Proposal for Permit Program
    - No: Process for Implementing an RPPP in a specific neighborhood (1)
  - No: Staff Survey of residents to determine support for proposed program
    - 50% Response Rate + 67% support?
      - Yes: Staff Study / Detailed Staff Proposal for Permit Program
      - No: Process for Implementing an RPPP in a specific neighborhood (1)

- Public Works Director Decision?
  - Approved: Parking Permit Zone Approved*
  - Denied: Parking Permit Zone Denied*

* May be appealed to TSPC
Process for Implementing an RPPP in a specific neighborhood (2)

1. Resident would file an application with Public Works, including the identification of an outside parking generator, to start the process.

2. Resident petition with at least 50% + 1 of the units in the impacted area would be required before a staff study is started, unless directed to complete a study by the TSPC or City Council.

3. The staff study would include but not be limited to the following:
   • Determination of the exact boundaries of the proposed permit area
   • Inventory of on-street spaces and number of households in the proposed permit area, which will be used to determine the number of permits that each household may obtain. Subcommittee recommends that Staff also consider a system of one permit per registered DL when making this calculation. Ultimately the formula will be determined by Staff.
   • Determination of the proposed permit enforcement days and times
Process for Implementing an RPPP in a specific neighborhood (3)

4. **Neighborhood Survey** - A neighborhood survey will be mailed or distributed to residents in the proposed permit area upon completion of the study.

5. The neighborhood survey must have a response rate of 50% or more, and at least 67% support from those returning the survey or staff to recommend approval for any residential permit parking program to the Public Works Director.

6. **Staff presents final proposal to Director of Public Works who approves or denies the request.**
Other Program Details (1)

• The process for verifying eligibility and receiving a resident or caretaker permit from the City would need to be determined.

• Permit Fees if any would need to be determined.

• The program would be designed to give staff the flexibility needed in order to design an appropriate program for each neighborhood that requests one.

• Any formula used to determine the number of permits per household AND any permit fees must be uniform for programs in all neighborhoods.
Other Program Details (2)

• The implementation of Visitor permits, if any, would need to be determined.
• The process for removing a previously established RPPP from a neighborhood would be virtually the same as the process for establishing one.
• The penalty for misuse of parking permits would need to be determined.
  • Subcommittee is concerned about potential abuse of visitor permits
• Appeals of Public Works decisions on proposed programs will go to the TSPC.

Residents would be informed throughout the process that even with limits on the number of permits per household, the possession of a permit would not always guarantee the availability of a parking space in the permit area.
Increasing Private Parking Inventory (1)

• The Parking Permit Subcommittee recommends that the City explore solutions in addition to establishing Residential Parking Permits. The following recommendations are aimed at increasing the available parking in impacted neighborhoods:

1. Offer a program where residents can increase their private parking inventory by widening their driveway and curb cut through a streamlined permit process and city-contractor vendors with fixed pricing
2. Change current city code to allow side yard parking when doing so will not remove street parking
Increasing Private Parking Inventory (2)

3. Allow residents to request and pay for city-applied small red curbs (up to 24" from edge of driveway) on either side of curb cuts to allow easier access to driveways, when doing so will not remove street parking.

4. For homes with driveways less than 18 feet from closed garage door to sidewalk, amend code requirements and reduce permit fees for reconstructing garage front to recess the garage door and lengthen the driveway.

5. Increase outreach and enforcement to remove inoperable vehicles from driveways and increase off-street parking.

6. Explore ordinance/enforcement options for keeping unattached trailers off the street in impacted neighborhoods.

7. Recommend that the city paint pavement markings to delineate street parking spaces in impacted neighborhoods, when doing so will not reduce available parking. Goal to prevent cars from occupying two spaces.
Next Steps

• The Parking Permit Subcommittee will amend this framework presentation based on feedback received tonight from the TSPC and from residents.

• The Parking Permit Subcommittee will then make their formal recommendation to the City Council, who can then recommend further action.