CRITERIA FOR RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS

Power to Establish a Residential Parking District
1. The City Council may establish or amend a residential parking district.

2. Subject to limitations in the City’s Code of Ordinances, and state law, the City Administrator may, in certain circumstances, establish or amend a residential parking district.

Requesting Establishment of a Residential Parking District
3. A City resident may request that the City establish or amend a residential parking district by: (a) paying any applicable fee and, (b) by submitting a petition to Customer Service that proposes the location of the district and the parking restrictions that should apply to it, and that is signed by a person residing in at least sixty percent of the residentially-zoned parcels in the proposed district.

4. Any such district shall consist of, and be described by, any City-owned or -used right-of-way, or any portions thereof, that exceed one thousand feet in length and that are described by a range of addresses, or list of parcels.

Obtaining a Permit in a District
5. A person is a resident of a district if the parcel or address at which he or she resides is in that district.

6. As long as he or she has no outstanding parking violations, and subject to the other limitations in these criteria, each resident of a district is eligible to receive up to two parking permits for that district upon:

   a. submission to the City of sufficient proof of his or her residency in the district and ownership or possession of a motor vehicle, as defined in the Michigan Vehicle Code, the empty weight of which is less than 5,500 pounds the length of which is less than 22 feet, and that is not subject to any parking violations; and,

   b. satisfaction of any other conditions the City Council or City Administrator imposes, including, but not limited to, permit fees.

7. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no more than five permits may be issued to residents residing in any given parcel, unless the parcel includes a dwelling, other than a hotel or dormitory, where for compensation and by arrangement for definite periods, lodging is provided for more than 3 roomers (such dwellings include, but are not limited to, rooming houses, tourist homes, sororities and fraternities), in which case no more than ten permits may be issued to residents who are roomers.

8. The first parking permit any resident receives may be displayed only in the motor vehicle identified in the resident's submission to the City.

9. The second parking permit any resident receives will be a transferable permit and may be displayed in any motor vehicle, as defined in the Michigan Vehicle Code, the empty weight of which is less than 5,500 pounds the length of which is less than 22 feet.
Effect of Permit

10. The City will not cite a motor vehicle in which a valid parking permit is properly displayed for being parked in a manner that would otherwise violate the restrictions, requirements or conditions of the district for which the permit was issued.

11. A parking permit is displayed properly only when it is permanently affixed to the lower left windshield of the motor vehicle for which it was issued, or, if that vehicle is a motorcycle, when it is permanently affixed to the front right wheel bar.

12. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a parking permit that is the second issued to a resident is also displayed properly if it is a transferable permit and is hung from a motor vehicle’s rearview mirror, facing outward.

Termination of Permits

13. A parking permit issued pursuant to these criteria is void:

   a. Upon its expiration date;
   b. Upon termination of the residency in the district for the person to which it was issued;
   c. When the resident to which it was issued no longer owns or possesses the motor vehicle identified in that resident’s submission; or,
   d. If, in seeking it, its holder made a misrepresentation of fact to the City or submitted forged, fraudulent or false documents.

14. Parking permits that are void for reasons other than expiration shall be returned to the City promptly.

Criteria Applicable to Select Districts

15. Notwithstanding any other provision of these criteria, the resident innkeeper of a bed and breakfast, as defined by state law, that is located in a designated residential parking district may apply for and receive a maximum of eight transferable permits for use by its guests only.

Miscellaneous

16. These criteria are subject to all laws, City Council resolutions, and any policies, orders or rules the City Administrator adopts or issues.

17. Nothing in these criteria shall be construed to invest any persons with any legally- or equitably-enforceable rights.

18. Permits in no way assign or reserve any particular parking spaces.

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