PROPOSED CHANGES TO WHMC 10.08.157

10.08.157 Amendment of Preferential Parking Regulations.

a. Applications to amend parking regulations in a preferential parking district may be initiated in writing by a resident located in that district. Applications must be filed on a form provided by the Department.

b. Applications for amendments to preferential parking regulations shall pertain to:

1. Days or hours of enforcement;
2. Time limits on non-resident parking;
3. Loading or tow-away zones;
4. Parking layout or design.

c. Applications to amend preferential parking regulations shall be scheduled for a community meeting, only if staff the Director of Public Works or designee determines that all of the following criteria are met:

1. Vehicle occupancy rates in the study area must equal or exceed eighty-five percent;
2. Nonresident vehicles account for:
   A. Fifty-one percent of the occupied spaces on streets zoned R1 or R2;
   B. Forty percent of the occupied spaces on streets zoned R1 or R2 with housing on both sides of the street but with parking allowed on only one side of the street;
   C. Forty percent of the occupied spaces on streets zoned R3 or R4.
3. Off-street city owned or operated public parking is available within one thousand feet of the street(s) requesting the change and/or neighboring streets can accommodate potentially displaced nonresident parkers without exceeding eighty-five percent occupancy. When a portion of the subject street is located within another city, or when the subject street is adversely impacted by the parking demands of a business or businesses located in another city, the Director or designee may waive this third criterion.

ATTACHMENT A
d. Any recommendation proposed at the community meeting shall not move forward through the approval process outlined below unless the applicant obtains a petition signed by residents living in at least fifty-one percent of the developed frontage of the area proposed for designation. Upon receipt of the petition, the proposed preferential parking regulation will then be scheduled for a public hearing for the Transportation Commission. The Transportation Commission will then make a formal recommendation to the City Council which shall consider and decide the matter following conduct of a public hearing. The City Council shall conduct a public hearing to consider the proposed preferential parking regulation. Notice of the public hearing shall be mailed to dwelling units on the subject street segment at least 10 days before the public hearing.

e. In reviewing requests for change in a preferential parking district, the Parking Division, Transportation Commission and City Council shall consider all relevant factors, including, but not limited to:

1. Underutilized resident owned or controlled off-street parking resources;
2. Occupancy rate;
3. Impact of non-resident vehicles;
4. Proximity to and availability of off-street public parking;
5. Potential impacts to nearby residents and businesses;
6. Consistency of the proposed regulation(s) to adjacent streets and/or other preferential parking districts;
7. Turnover, violation and capture rates.