

ORDINANCE #O-2014-006

IntroductionSeptember 9, 2014AdoptionOctober 14, 2014EffectiveOctober 14, 2014

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF CULPEPER, VIRGINIA (1991), AS AMENDED, RELATING GENERALLY TO CREATING A NEW RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the Town of Culpeper, Virginia meeting in regular session this 14th day of October, 2014:

1. That the Code of Ordinances, Town of Culpeper, Virginia (1991), as amended, is amended as follows:

Sec. 11-43. Residential parking program.

- (a) *Purpose and intent.* For the health, safety and welfare of residents in the Town of Culpeper, the purpose of this section is to provide safe and convenient parking in areas characterized by a mixture of residential and heavy commercial uses.
- (b) Administration. This section is administered by the town manager or his or her designee.
- (c) Residential permit parking districts. A residential parking district authorizes a resident of that district, whose vehicle displays a valid residential parking permit which is placed on the right side of the rear bumper, to park for any length of time during the twenty-four-hour day within a designated parking district, except in parking districts where parking is controlled by time limits of less than one (1) hour, or, in spaces which are controlled by governmental regulatory signs, which may include but not be limited to, "For County Business Only" or "For Town Business Only."

A person parking a motor vehicle in the designated residential parking district without a permit is subject to the parking restriction signs as posted. It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle contrary to the provisions established in this chapter.

- (d) *Permit application.* An annual application for a residential parking permit may be made by a resident of any designated parking district to the department of planning and community development.
- (e) Annual fee structure. The fee structure as set forth in the town's fine and fee schedule as adopted by town council is designed to encourage residents to utilize off-street parking facilities located on private property and to reduce the overall number of motor vehicles parked on-street.
- (f) *Visitor/guest parking*. To persons who are visiting a resident within a permit parking district, a temporary permit may be issued. Only one (1) visitor permit may be issued at the same residence at the same time and shall be valid for a maximum of thirty (30) days.

- (g) New residential parking districts may be created, altered or abolished subject to the following requirements:
 - (1) Petition/letter of request. Residents requesting inclusion in the residential permit parking system shall sign and submit a petition to the Town of Culpeper Department of Planning and Community Development signed by over fifty (50) percent of the residents fronting the street. Likewise, to alter or eliminate a residential parking district, a petition shall be signed by over fifty (50) percent of the residents fronting the street. The petition shall include the resident's name and address and telephone number.
 - (2) Town staff review. Upon submission of a petition, town staff will determine whether the petition acknowledges over fifty (50) percent of the residents.
 - (3) *Considerations*. The town manager shall review the petition taking into account the following items:
 - a. The frequency and intensity of parking by nonresident vehicles.
 - b. The need to provide additional parking for residents and their visitors due to the limited number of off-street parking spaces available.
 - c. The extent to which safe and convenient parking is not being provided for residents, taking into account nearby off-street parking facilities.
 - d. The extent to which surrounding commercial land uses depend upon the parking spaces located in the district under consideration.
 - e. The desire of the residents for the creation, alteration or elimination of a parking district, and the willingness of those residents to bear the administrative costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized.
- (h) *Parking districts created.* A residential parking map is adopted by reference and included in this subsection.
 - Parking District No. 1: The following areas and streets are designated within District No. 1: W. Cameron Street
 N. West Street
 - (2) Parking District No. 2: The following areas and streets are designated within District No. 2:
 E. Culpeper Street
 S. East Street
 - (3) Parking District No. 3: The following areas and streets are designated within District No. 3:
 W. Culpeper Street
 S. West Street
 - (4) Parking District No. 4: The following areas and streets are designated within District No. 4: <u>Vantage Place</u> Highview Court

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2. This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption on October 14, 2014.

BY ORDER OF COUNCIL

Michael T. Olinger, Mayor On Behalf of the Town Council of Culpeper, Virginia

ATTEST: Kimberly Allen, Town Clerk

MOTION: Russell

SECOND: Price

Date: _____October 14, 2014

Regular Meeting

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RE: Approval

ACTION: Approved

Votes: Ayes: Lochridge, Olinger, Price, Reaves, Rimeikis, Russell, Taylor

Nays: None

Absent from Vote: Ryan, Yowell

Absent from Meeting: Ryan, Yowell

CERTIFIED COP Kimberly Allen, Town Clerk