

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, Interim City Manager

DATE: June 26, 2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE, AT ITS APRIL 19, 2024 MEETING, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ZONES IN NORTH BEACH, AS A ONE (1) YEAR PILOT PROGRAM.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Administration (“Administration”) recommends that the Mayor and City Commission (“City Commission”) adopt the Resolution.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

On December 13, 2023, at the request of Commissioners David Suarez and Joseph Magazine, the City Commission referred agenda Item C4 G to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee (“FERC” or “Committee”) to discuss the creation of Restricted Residential Parking Permit (“RRPP”) zones in North Beach to protect the quality-of-life of North Beach residents in areas where residential parking is severely impacted by competing uses and/or heavy concentration of parked vehicles.

The item was discussed during the FERC meeting on April 19, 2024 (Attachment A). At the meeting, FERC recommended the establishment of RRPP zones and recommended implementing a pilot program - with no associated fees to residents - for a duration of one (1) year. The Committee emphasized that thorough community outreach would be required and definitive zone boundaries would need to be established prior to City Commission approval of the RRPP pilot program.

On June 10, 2024, the Transportation, Parking and Bicycle-Pedestrian Facilities Committee (“TPBPFC”) discussed this item and passed a motion to endorse the creation of RRPP zones in North Beach.

ANALYSIS

Parking in North Beach is challenging for area residents, visitors, and workforce given the imbalance between parking supply and demand in the area. Currently, Altos del Mar is the only RRPP zone in North Beach with the boundaries outlined below:

- o South: 75 Street
- o North: 87 Terrace
- o East: Collins Avenue
- o West: Collins Court

- o Includes all on-street metered parking spaces within the above limits
- o Includes parking lots P107, P108, P109, P111, P112 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Article II, entitled “Metered Parking”, of the City of Miami Beach (“City”) Code, Section 106-78, entitled “Creation of residential permit parking area”, states “Whenever the City Manager or his designee shall make a determination that a residential area is impacted by commuter vehicles in accordance with the criteria set forth in sections 106-76 and 106-77, he may initiate the creation of a residential permit parking area. A request for a determination by the City Manager or his designee may also be initiated through a petition of a majority of the bona fide residents of a residential area.”

Pursuant to FERC recommendation at its April 19, 2024 meeting, and after further review of the affected areas by Parking Department staff, the Administration proposes the establishment of three (3) distinct RRPP zones in North Beach, on a one (1) year pilot basis, with the boundaries as depicted in Attachment B and outlined below:

1. North Shore neighborhood
 - o South: 71 Street (including Park View Island) to Dickens Avenue
 - o North: 87 Terrace
 - o East: Harding Avenue
 - o West: Byron Avenue/Tatum Waterway/Dickens Avenue
 - o Excludes all new developments
 - o Excludes all on-street metered parking spaces and parking lots within the zone
 - o Includes parking lot P105 located at 8080 Tatum Waterway

2. Biscayne Beach neighborhood
 - o South: 75 Street
 - o North: 86 Street
 - o East: Crespi Boulevard
 - o West: Hawthorne Avenue
 - o Includes parking lot P100 located at 8100 Hawthorne Avenue

3. Normandy Isle neighborhood
 - o South: Bay Drive
 - o North: Marseilles Drive/Calais Drive
 - o East: Bay Drive (East)
 - o West: Bay Drive (West)
 - o Includes South Shore Drive from Ray Street to North Shore Drive
 - o Includes North Shore Drive from Fairway Drive to South Shore Drive
 - o Excludes Biarritz Drive between Rue Granville and Rue Versailles
 - o Excludes Calais Drive between Trouville Esplanade and Rue Bordeaux
 - o Excludes Marseille Drive between Trouville Esplanade and Rue Notre Dame
 - o Excludes all on-street metered parking spaces and parking lots within the zone

The proposed North Beach RRPP pilot program would include the following general parameters:

- o One (1) year pilot period residential permit free-of-charge to residents. Note that visitor permits are currently charged at a daily rate of \$3.00 for a 24-hour period;
- o Two (2) month educational and warning period followed by issuance of citations to violators;
- o Following the two (2) month educational/warning period, violators will be issued citations only, and vehicles will not be towed during the one (1) year pilot program;

- o Maximum of two (2) RRPPs per household, with additional permits requiring Parking Director approval;
- o The North Beach RRPP would be in effect from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. Monday – Friday. From 6 p.m. on Friday to 7 a.m. on Monday, the eligible parking spaces within each RRPP zone would be residents only.
- o On-street parking spaces adjacent to City parks will become RRPP spaces only after park closing time;
- o Residents with dedicated parking will be excluded from the pilot program with any exceptions requiring the approval of the Parking Director; and
- o Outreach campaign will be conducted, including in-person customer assistance at the Miami Beach Building Department Office in North Beach, to assist residents with RRPP registration and provide information on the RRPP regulations.

Pursuant to Section 106-78 of the City Code, the City Commission must hold a public hearing to consider the establishment of a residential zone(s). Such public hearing shall be held only after:

1. Notices have been mailed or personally delivered to every household that can reasonably be established within the area under consideration; and
2. Notice has been posted in the area under consideration 15 days prior to the hearing date. The notice shall clearly state the purpose of the hearing and the exact location and boundaries of the proposed residential parking permit area.

Subsequently, the City Commission shall, by Resolution, approve or disapprove the creation of the RRPP area, albeit on a pilot basis.

In addition to the requirements in City Code, the Administration has historically followed the process outlined below for the creation of an RRPP zone in the City after a petition is received and reviewed by the Parking Department:

1. Public workshop is held to obtain input and comments from affected residents;
2. Ballots are mailed to all affected residents;
3. The item is discussed at a TPBPFC meeting; and
4. The item is presented to the City Commission for consideration (after a duly-noticed public hearing).

Should the City Commission adopt this Resolution, the Administration will commence the process of creating three (3) RRPP zones in North Beach, with the boundaries proposed by the Administration, as a one (1) year pilot program. The next steps in the process would include 1) conducting three (3) community workshops during the second week of July 2024, with each meeting targeting a different neighborhood(s) affected by each of the proposed RRPP zones; 2) discussing the pilot program with TPBPFC; 3) mailing letters to all affected residents at least 15 days in advance of a public hearing date; and 4) setting a public hearing for the July 24, 2024 City Commission meeting for City Commission approval of the implementation of a one (1) year North Beach RRPP pilot program. Note that balloting the affected residents would not be conducted as the creation of the three (3) RRPP zones and the implementation of a one (1) year pilot program would be pursuant to City Commission direction.

During the one (1) year pilot program, the Parking Department staff will collect data on key metrics, including, but not limited to, the number of registered residents, parking utilization and number of citations issued, as well as garner community feedback on the pilot program. The Administration will provide quarterly updates to the City Commission

on the pilot program via Letter To Commission (“LTC”). At the end of the one (1) year pilot program, should the City Commission desire to make the North Beach RRPP zones permanent, the process outlined above to designate RRPP zones would not need to be repeated and a City Commission Resolution would suffice for the Administration to move forward with establishing the designated RRPP zones in North Beach on a permanent basis.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The costs associated with conducting the three (3) community meetings and mailing letters to all affected residents within the three (3) proposed RRPP zones in North Beach are funded in the Parking Department’s Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Operating Budget. The costs associated with the implementation of the one (1) year pilot program will be presented to the City Commission as part of the July 24, 2024 public hearing item.

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?

No

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

N/A

CONCLUSION

The Administration recommends that the City Commission accept the recommendation of the FERC and authorize the Administration to move forward with establishing three (3) RRPP zones in North Beach, with the boundaries proposed by the Administration, as a one (1) year pilot program.

Should the City Commission adopt this Resolution, the Administration will conduct three (3) public meetings during the second week of July 2024, with each meeting targeting the neighborhood(s) affected by each of the proposed RRPP zones, to inform the community regarding the proposed pilot program, and properly notice a public hearing to occur during the July 24, 2024 City Commission meeting for adoption of the North Beach RRPP pilot program.

Applicable Area

North Beach

Is this a “Residents Right to Know” item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

Yes

Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?

No

Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481, includes a principal engaged in lobbying? No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s): N/A

Department

Parking

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