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THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM

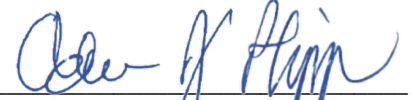
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PERTAINING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM

ARTICLE I: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1: Authority

Under the authority of the Denver City Charter, Article VII; the Denver Revised Municipal Code (DRMC), §54-492; the City and County of Denver Department of Transportation & Infrastructure (DOTI) has the authority to issue permits for the parking of motor vehicles in designated areas to better manage the use of the public right-of-way. This includes the establishment of Residential Parking Permit (RPP) Zones and implementation of on-street parking restrictions, limitations, regulations, or prohibitions.

Section 2: Intent

Curbside resources are under increasing demand as Denver balances on-street mobility uses with curbside access and parking demand. This demand, coupled with City transportation priorities, underscores the importance of creating an equitable and efficient Residential Parking Permit Program while providing on-street parking and access for a variety of users. The City Traffic Engineer, or the City Traffic Engineer's designee, may establish RPP Zones and issue Residential Parking Permits to manage the on-street parking supply. These Residential Parking Permit Program Rules and Regulations shall be applied to all RPP Zones.

Section 3: Program Administration

The Residential Parking Permit Program shall be administered by the City and County of Denver Department of Transportation & Infrastructure.

Section 4: Definitions

Terms or phrases specific to or introduced in this document are defined below:

4.1 *Residential Parking Permit Program*: A permit program designed to improve resident parking access to a primary residence in neighborhoods (or areas) with (or near) commercial, industrial, institutional, or event-based land uses.

4.2 *Block*: One side of a street between two consecutive intersecting streets.

4.3 *Residential Parking Permit (RPP)*: Required to exempt a resident or guest vehicle from posted parking time limits (or restrictions) in a designated Block or Area Zone.

Three sub-types of RPPs are offered:

- a. *Vehicle Specific Parking Permit (VSPP)*: Associated with a vehicle license plate registered at an eligible City & County of Denver address and issued annually.
- b. *Flex Parking Permit (FPP)*: Associated with a vehicle license plate or a physical hangtag issued annually to an eligible City & County of Denver address. Designed for vehicle parking for resident guests, service providers, or resident vehicles.
- c. *Temporary Parking Permit (TPP)*: Issued to provide more time for an applicant to submit required documents that need to be updated prior to obtaining an annual VSPP or FPP. Must demonstrate full-time residency.

4.4 *RPP Zones*: Boundaries designated by the City Traffic Engineer or designee where RPPs and their permit sub-types are valid.

Two RPP Zone sub-types are available:

- a. *Block Zone*: RPPs are only valid on the blocks (both sides of the street) where the RPP holder resides at an eligible City & County of Denver address. Implemented through a Curbside Access Plan.
- b. *Area Zone*: RPP holders can park on any block within a designated boundary. RPP holder must meet criteria and live at an eligible City & County address. Implemented through a Curbside Access Plan.

4.5 *Parking Time Limits*: A defined timeframe within which a motor vehicle without a valid RPP can occupy a parking space within an RPP Zone before the vehicle needs to be moved, in accordance with Denver Revised Municipal Code (DRMC) §54-420. All posted and non-posted parking restrictions, including street sweeping restrictions (Denver Revised Municipal Code §54-488) still apply.

4.6 *Parking Time Limits, RPP Excepted*: Valid RPP holders are exempt from non-paid parking time limits posted within an RPP Zone. All posted and non-posted parking restrictions, including street sweeping restrictions (Denver Revised Municipal Code §54-488) and parking continuously for more than 72-hours (Denver Revised Municipal Code §54-465), still apply.

4.7 *No Parking, RPP Excepted*: Parking of a motor vehicle without a valid RPP is prohibited.

4.8 *Unrestricted Parking*: On-street parking with no parking time limits or RPP restrictions. All posted and non-posted parking restrictions, including street sweeping restrictions (Denver Revised Municipal Code §54-488) and parking continuously for more than 72-hours (Denver Revised Municipal Code §54-465), still apply.

Note: In areas where significant residential parking demand exists, unrestricted parking may be more appropriate than introducing (or maintaining) an RPP Program in a neighborhood or area.

4.9 Curbside Management: The implementation of strategies which seek to inventory, optimize, allocate, and control curb space for a wide variety of curb demands.

4.10 Curbside Access Plan (CAP): A comprehensive, implementation-based neighborhood (or area) curbside and parking plan that addresses resident, business, and property owner parking challenges and concerns, explores alternative Curbside Management strategies, and identifies recommendations. Public outreach is part of this process.

4.11 Off-Street Parking: Space available or intended for the parking of motor vehicles located on private property, including but not limited to a driveway, garage (whether used for vehicle storage or repurposed), carport, or alley access with space for a parking pad, or apartment/condominium buildings with parking lots or garage access (paid or unpaid).

4.12 Development: Construction, reconstruction, or other alteration or improvement of residential or commercial buildings.

4.13 Primary Residence: The place in which a person's habitation is fixed and is the person's usual place of return. A person can have only one primary residence as defined by Denver Revised Municipal Code §33-46.

4.14 Residential Property: A single-dwelling home, row home, multi-unit dwelling, or accessory dwelling unit structures.

4.15 Residential Parking Permit Program Entrance Requirements: Guidance document to be referenced by applicants when applying for Residential Parking Permits.

4.16 Residential Parking Permit Fee: Required payment for permitting and program operations and management.

ARTICLE II: ELIGIBILITY

Section 1: RPP Eligibility

Applicants who live at an eligible address located within an RPP Zone may apply for RPPs. For purposes of these rules and regulations, an eligible address is an address located on a street with Parking Time Limits or No Parking, Permit Excepted Restrictions.

Addresses located within an RPP Zone and in a large multi-unit dwelling, may be ineligible for RPPs when the number of units is significantly greater than the immediate on-street parking supply. This scenario typically occurs within Downtown, General Urban, Multi-Unit, Residential Mixed-Use, Mixed-Use, Main Street, and Urban Center Zoning Districts. RPP eligibility for large

multi-unit dwelling structures located within these Zone Districts will be determined through a CAP. Additionally, buildings, developments, and/or address that have received on-site off-street parking exemptions (or reductions) per the Denver Zoning Code may not be eligible for RPPs.

Address eligibility for structures located within Area and Block Zones are below:

- a. *Block Zone Eligibility*: single-dwelling, row home, multi-unit dwelling, or accessory dwelling structures consisting of 20 units/addresses or less.
- b. *Area Zone Eligibility*: single-dwelling, row home, multi-unit dwelling, or accessory dwelling structures consisting of 21-50 units/addresses.

Eligibility of multi-unit buildings with more than 50 addresses will be determined through the CAP process. RPP address eligibility can be determined by accessing www.denvergov.org/parking. Address eligibility is subject to change.

Section 2: RPPs per Eligible Address

Permit maximums per eligible address exist to allow large multi-unit buildings access to the RPP program. The number of permits an eligible address can obtain is based on off-street parking access.

- a. Off-Street Parking Available: Eligible addresses may obtain up to two (2) VSPPs or one (1) VSPP and one (1) FPP.
- b. Off-Street Parking Unavailable: Eligible addresses may obtain up to three (3) VSPPs or two (2) VSPPs and one (1) FPP.

ARTICLE III: RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ZONES

Section 1: Establishment of RPP Zones

The establishment, modification, or removal of RPP Zones is accomplished through a Curbside Access Plan. This ensures RPP strategies and Curbside Management are developed and implemented comprehensively at an area or neighborhood scale. The implementation of Area RPP Zones will be prioritized, and *No Parking, RPP Excepted restrictions are not recommended*.

Section 2: Zone Evaluation and Monitoring

RPP Zones will be evaluated when necessary to document curbside and on-street parking occupancy and patterns that will be used to assess the effectiveness of existing or recently implemented Curbside Access Plans. Results will inform Curbside Management strategies that are to be implemented based on evolving parking patterns, curbside activities, and public engagement.

ARTICLE IV : RPP FEES

Section 1: Fee and Schedule

Participants in the RPP program are subject to a permit fee beginning in 2024. Current permit fees can be found in the DOTI Residential Parking Permit Program Entrance Requirements. Fees for each RPP shall be paid annually.