

# TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: January 14, 2020

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To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Re: Request to Defer Further Actions on Parking Related Matters

Date: January 6, 2020

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## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends Town Council defer any further actions related to parking, to allow staff sufficient time to conduct a comprehensive review of all parking issues/concerns, while engaging with the community to solicit feedback prior to our next set of recommendations.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

For background purposes, at the November 12, 2019, Town Council meeting, the following actions were taken:

- Approved implementation of paid parking on the 100 block of Sunrise Avenue, including the addition of placard parking on this block.
- Staff was directed to prepare a pilot public parking program, utilizing the Town employee lot on the 200 block of Peruvian Avenue when said lot was not being utilized by employees.
- Staff was directed to prepare an ordinance for first reading, doubling the number of RPP decals/visitor passes from 4 to 8 for resident purchase.
- Staff was directed to provide a copy of the 2006 parking study to the Town Council, which was subsequently conveyed via email.
- All other matters were deferred to the January 14, 2020, Town Council meeting, including the following items that were being considered:
  - Town-wide 24/7 enforcement of metered parking areas
  - Expansion of metered parking locations
  - Expansion of placard parking locations

At the December 10, 2019, Town Council meeting, the following actions were taken:

1. Approved the use of the Peruvian Employee Parking lot by the public on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00am to Midnight and Monday – Friday from 5:30pm to Midnight. This went into effect on December 28, 2019. Letters were sent to nearby businesses to advise them of the new parking opportunity for their customers and staff.

2. Approved the purchase of 4 new kiosks for installation on the 100 block of Sunrise Avenue and limit the number of placards sold to 15 passes. Kiosks are on order, as are new signs and staff anticipates to go live with paid parking by Mid-January, 2020.
3. The first reading of Ordinance No. 40-2019 was approved, increasing the number of RPP decals and visitor passes from 4 to 8. The second and final reading is scheduled for the January 14, 2020, Town Council meeting.

With regard to the deferred items, after internal staff discussions, we feel it is appropriate to not take any action on these items until we have had sufficient time to thoroughly review past studies, assess current conditions, engage with subject matter experts, and engage with the residential and business communities.

cc: Department Directors  
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