

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: January 11, 2022

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Re: Proposed Conversion of Twelve 2-Hour Parking Spaces on the 200/300 Blocks of Worth Avenue to 30-Minute Parking

Date: December 29, 2021

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Town Council approve the proposed conversion of twelve (12) 2-hour free parking spaces on the 200 and 300 blocks of Worth Avenue to 30-minute free parking, as recommended by the Business and Administrative Committee (BAC).

GENERAL INFORMATION

At the October 7, 2021, BAC meeting, staff reported on the initial success observed with the conversion of sixteen (16) 2-hour free spaces on the 100 block of Worth Avenue to paid parking, along with the conversion of four (4) 2-hour free spaces to 30-minute free spaces. This led to a discussion regarding the potential conversion of additional 2-hour spaces on the 200 and 300 blocks of Worth Avenue to 30-minute free spaces to promote quicker turnover and better accommodate shoppers seeking short-term parking. The committee was receptive to converting six (6) spaces on each block and asked staff to reach out to property owners on these blocks for feedback, which staff did. The proposed changes outlined on the attached map were presented to the BAC at their December 8, 2021, meeting and unanimously recommended for approval.

Staff, Worth Avenue property owners, and the BAC believe the conversion of the identified 2-hour spaces to 30-minute spaces will aid in space availability for quick consumer transactions, reduce traffic congestion, and reduce the availability of long-term parking that has been routinely used by employees for the benefit of customers instead.

Attachment

cc: Parking Committee