

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: February 14, 2023

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Nicholas Caristo, Chief of Police

Re: Residential Visitor/Service Parking Permits

Date: February 3, 2023

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Town Council approve Ordinance No. 004-2023. Staff will also welcome separate direction if the Mayor & Town Council develop a consensus on an alternative solution.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Police Department has recently been receiving concerns from residents regarding the amount of visitor/service parking permits allowed to be issued to residents in controlled residential parking areas and the negative impacts it can have on space availability. Currently, Town Ordinances allows up to eight total residential and visitor/service hangtag parking permits for areas controlled by residential parking permits. There also exists a provision for temporary group permits as well as an exemption from the permit regulations for delivery and service vehicles (e.g. landscapers, pool cleaners).

In some cases, this allows one residence in an area to occupy enough parking spaces to negatively impact other residents from locating an available parking space. While infrequent usage of issued permits is valuable to residents and an intended part of the program, continual usage is not. Current ordinance language does not provide for a limitation on continual usage and abuse.

Staff has provided a proposed solution through this Ordinance change that would allow enforcement through refining the purposes of the ordinance, defining continual usage and abuse, and adding an offense (Attachment A).

FUNDING / FISCAL IMPACT

None noted.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This Ordinance has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney for legal form and sufficiency.

Attachment

cc: Carolyn Stone, Deputy Town Manager
Robert Miracle, Deputy Town Manager