

MEMORANDUM

TO: Roger L. Stancil, Town Manager

FROM: Lance Norris, Public Works Director
Kumar Neppalli, Engineering Services Manager

SUBJECT: Establishment of “No Parking Anytime Except by Residential Permit” Restrictions on Branch Street and Justice Street

DATE: June 8, 2009

PURPOSE

Enactment of the attached Ordinance would authorize establishment of “No Parking Anytime Except by Residential Permit” restrictions from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, on both sides of Branch Street and Justice Street. An Area map is provided in Attachment 1.

We recommend that the Council enact the attached ordinance.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Town received requests from several residents (Attachment 2) requesting that the Town establish “No Parking Anytime Except by Residential Permit” restrictions from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, on both sides of Branch Street and Justice Street.

We monitored conditions on Branch Street and Justice Street and observed a number of drivers parking on both sides of the streets, and then departing on foot across to the University Buildings on Airport Drive. In some instances, the on-street parking resulted in restricted travel lanes and limited parking availability for residents.

We surveyed all residents/property owners on both streets and solicited comments regarding the requested change in on-street parking regulations. We mailed 17 survey forms and 12 responses were returned to us. Based on the survey results, a majority of residents preferred to establish parking by residential permit only.

Based on our field observations and discussions with property owners, we recommend establishing “no parking anytime except by residential permit” restrictions from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, on Branch Street and Justice Street. We think that the parking by permit regulation on both sides of the streets would allow residents and their guests to park on the street and would eliminate the problem of University visitors parking. We also believe that permit regulated on-street parking would not create conditions that significantly restrict traffic access and circulation on these streets.

If the Council enacts the attached ordinance, Town staff would install the appropriate parking regulation signs and would provide parking enforcement activities in the area.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council enact the attached ordinance establishing “No Parking Anytime Except by Residential Permit” restrictions from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, on both sides of Branch Street and Justice Street.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Area Map
2. Request from Residents