

RESOLUTION

AMENDMENT OF THE RESTRICTED PARKING ZONES WITHIN THE OLD TOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL “NO PARKING” AREAS AND ADDITIONAL “LIMITED 3-HOUR PARKING” AREAS FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM ON BRIDGE STREET FROM CALHOUN STREET TO HEYWARD COVE

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluffton Town Council (the "Town Council") adopted the Old Town Master Plan on July 12, 2006 through Ordinance 2006-17 which established specific goals including providing adequate parking opportunities within the Old Town Historic District; and

WHEREAS, in January 2014, the Town of Bluffton entered into a contract with Thomas & Hutton Engineering to develop a Calhoun Street and Adjacent Area Study to establish a public infrastructure master plan and policy guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted an amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance requiring an increase in off-street parking spaces for commercial uses on March 10, 2015 through Ordinance 2015-05; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council held a Workshop on October 20, 2015 and provided direction on certain immediate action items focused on improving parking conditions including the implementation of time restricted parking in certain areas within the Old Town Historic District; and

WHEREAS, per Section 26-78 of the Town Municipal Code, the Town Council has the authority to establish no parking zones, restricted parking zones, parallel zones, loading zones, handicapped parking zones, parking meter zones and other reasonable parking regulations; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2015, the Town Council approved a Resolution authorizing, among other things, the establishment of a restricted parking zone for Calhoun Street beginning at the intersection with May River Road and continuing south to the intersection at Bridge Street and for the head-in parking areas located at Dubois Park on Lawton Street and Lawrence Street which limits parking to two (2) hours between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2015, the Town Council approved an Amendment of the restricted parking zone for Calhoun Street beginning at the intersection with May River Road and continuing south to the intersection at Bridge Street and for the head-in parking areas located at Dubois Park on Lawton Street and Lawrence Street from a two-hour to a three (3) hour parking limit between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2016 the Town Council approved an Amendment of the restricted parking zone to include “No Parking” signs along Boundary Street from the intersection of May River Road/Bruin Street to Bridge Street other than the designated on-street parking adjacent to Dubois Park; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2018 the Town Council approved an Amendment of the restricted parking zone to include “No Parking” signs along a portion of Water Street beginning at Calhoun Street to Boundary Street; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2019 the Town Council approved an Amendment of the restricted parking zone to include a portion of May River Road from the intersection of May River Road, Calhoun Street and Promenade Street eastward and westward to the Intersection of May River Road, Bluffton Road and Boundary Street; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2019, Town Council approved an Amendment to the restricted parking zone in portions of the Bluffton Old Town Historic District to include “No Parking” signs along a portion of Bridge Street, from Thomas Heyward Street to Calhoun Street; and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2019, Town Council approved an Amendment to the restricted parking zone in portions of the Bluffton Old Town Historic District to include “No Parking” along a portion of Boundary Street adjacent to the Martin Family Park, “3-Hour” parking at Martin Family and Wright Family Park, and “Reserved/Church” parking on the west side of Calhoun Street south of Water Street; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020, Town Council approved an Amendment to the restricted parking zone in portions of the Bluffton Old Town Historic District to include “No Parking” zones along both sides of Lawrence Street extending from Huger Cover to DuBois Lane, and to include “No Parking” zone from 8:00 am to 9:00 am and 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm for a portion of the west side of Calhoun Street immediately adjacent to the Haag Elementary Building at May River Montessori School.

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to Amend the restricted parking zone in portions of the Bluffton Old Town Historic District to establish a “No Parking” zone along the south side of Bridge Street from Calhoun Street to Heyward Cove and to establish a “Limited 3-Hour Parking” zone from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Bridge Street from Calhoun Street to Heyward Cove.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON TOWN COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of the restricted parking zone to include “No Parking” on the south side of Bridge Street from Calhoun Street to Heyward Cove.

Section 2. Amendment of the restricted parking zone to include “Limited 3-Hour Parking” from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on the north side of Bridge Street from Calhoun Street to Heyward Cove, as shown on **Exhibit A – No Parking Plan dated 4/3/23.**

**THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ADOPTION.
SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED AS OF THIS NINTH DAY OF MAY 2023.**

Lisa Sulka, Mayor

Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

ATTEST:

Kerry Guzman, Interim Town Clerk
Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

EXHIBIT A
NO PARKING PLAN
4/3/23