



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

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DEPARTMENT: Executive

MEETING: Town Council 1/14/2025

SUBJECT: Consider approving an ordinance to amend the rates and fees schedule to update parking, re-entry, LSV, and golf cart fees and regulations. Applicant: Town of Carolina Beach

BACKGROUND:

The Town Council gave staff direction at their December 2024 meeting to work with the ACOE on developing a parking plan that would meet federal regulations. Staff met with the ACOE on December 20th and reviewed the options Town Council was considering.

The ACOE was willing to open up some additional parking for island passes in exchange for adding additional designated parking spaces in Town that met or exceeded their requirements. Their requirements will continue to fluctuate annually based on how the Town grows, but this year it was based on:

1. 767 equally available spaces for all. In other words, these spaces should not allow for Island passes. We can charge for them but everyone (regardless of where they live) should be charged the same.
2. LSV/Golf Carts are proposed to have an issued parking pass that is available regardless of where they live. These spaces could also count towards the 767 as long as the Island Pass was not also allowed in the parking space(s).
3. A minimum of 10 parking spaces per ¼ mile ring should be equally available (no allowance for Island Passes)

With these parameters in mind, we were able to obtain the ACOE's tentative approval to add two lots and some on-street parking to the list of areas that allow for Island Passes (Alabama West and North Pier Lot). To be able to create this allowance the Town would need to increase on-street parking. A plan showing where we can add additional spaces is under works and will be available for your review prior to the Town Council meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The attached ordinance keeps the current parking plan approved by the ACOE in place. The only exceptions are:

1. Adding two additional lots that will accept the island pass
2. Reducing Island passes from \$40 to \$30
3. Utilize free re-entry passes to allow parking in undesignated residential right of way
4. Additional ROW having delineated parking (wheel stops).

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Recommend adopting Ordinance No. 25-1247 amending the rates and fees schedule to update parking, re-entry, LSV, and golf cart fees and regulations.