



BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

AB23-051
May 22, 2023
Ordinance

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB23-051 Permit Parking Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only
PROPOSED ACTION:	Approve proposed ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution

REVIEW:	Department Director/Peer	Perry Phipps	3/30/2023
	Finance	n/a	Click or tap to enter a date.
	Legal	n/a	Click or tap to enter a date.
	City Administrator	Mike Sauerwein	Click or tap to enter a date.

DEPARTMENT:	Police		
STAFF:	Captain Brian Lynch		
COMMITTEE:	Public Safety	COMMITTEE DATE: May 15, 2023	
MEMBERS:	Cara Christensen	Rob Wotton	Ethan Benson
EXHIBITS:	1. Proposed Ordinance 2. Residential Permit Parking Zone Policy 3. Proposed Stickers and Signs 4. Follow-Up Items		

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUESTED	\$ n/a

SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

This agenda bill requests approval for an ordinance allowing permit parking near the Panorama apartment complex.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Revised Code of Washington (RCW) addressing parking issues, as well as the City of Snoqualmie Municipal Code, falls short of addressing this specific parking issue. The need for a parking permit ordinance is evident in the amount of parking complaints being received because of this high traffic generator.

BACKGROUND

A neighborhood has been identified near the Panorama Apartments that is experiencing increased competition for the limited on-street parking spaces. Growing demand for parking in this area is attributed to a lack of parking spaces provided on the Panorama Apartment property to provide for the number of vehicles

associated with that property. The City's current program for managing parking congestion in neighborhoods is have the police department respond to complaints and attempt to educate and/or enforce the 24-hour parking ordinance. The current parking ordinances fall short of ensuring that on-street parking spaces remain available for local residence. The parking permit program is intended to assist residents in a specific permit boundary who are experiencing parking congestion associated with a high traffic generator such as the Panorama Apartment complex.

The Snoqualmie Police Department has conducted an extensive community outreach effort to solicit input and to better understand the needs of the residents experiencing a high rate of non-residential parking in their neighborhood. The result is a community driven proposal for a Residential Parking Permit program that includes an emphasis on promoting access to residential parking spaces by residents that live in a specific permit boundary.

ANALYSIS

The City of Snoqualmie has a parking space shortage in some of its residential areas. This shortage is largely caused by all-day, on-street parking by non-residents associated with nearby high traffic generators. To assist residents' search for vehicle parking adjacent to their home, the City of Snoqualmie has identified the need of a Residential Permit Parking program which would require residents to obtain a parking permit sticker for their vehicles to be legally parked within a specific permit boundary.

BUDGET IMPACTS

The City of Snoqualmie would be required to provide signage clearly marking the specific permit boundary. Those signs will be created in-house. The cost for parking permit stickers is \$0.86 per sticker at an initial purchase of 500 stickers resulting in a total cost of \$430.00. The cost of visitor/guest parking permits is \$1.20 per permit with an initial purchase of 500 permits resulting in a total cost of \$604.50. This program would bring a total cost of \$1,034.50.

NEXT STEPS

PROPOSED ACTION