

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**TO:** Greg Veliz, City Manager

**FROM:** John Wilkins, Parking Director

**DATE:** October 7, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Expand Residential Parking Permit benefits in City of Key West Ordinance Sec. 70-249 to include Jackson Square and 500 Block of Thomas Street after business hours and on weekends.

## **Action statement:**

Request the Key West City Commission to approve modification to the City of Key West Code of Ordinances Sec. 70-249 to allow Residential Permit holders to park up to 4 hours for free, one time per day, after business hours and on weekends at the Jackson Square Parking behind Monroe County Courthouse including 500 block of Thomas Street.

## **Background:**

The City currently has a residential Parking Permit Program that has been active for over 10 years. It allows vehicles Residential Parking Permit decal to park in the parking permit area in spaces marked for residential parking as well as 4 hours, one time per day, for free in certain locations. These locations are the Old Town Garage (aka Park 'N' Ride), Main Lot at Key West Bight, Fire Station Lot, Truman Waterfront Park, and Smather's Beach. This Ordinance Modification would add the Jackson Square Lot including 500 Block of Thomas Street to this program after business hours and on weekends.

## **Recommendation:**

Change the Residential Parking Permit Program in City Ordinance Sec. 70-249 to include 4 hours free, one time per day, to Residential Permit Holders to Jackson Square Parking Lot and 500 Block of Thomas Street after business hours and on weekends.

## **Financial Impact:**

The financial impact to the City will not be significant. There is excess parking in this area most of the time on nights and weekends. This expansion will not deny a paying customer a place to park except on rare occasions when the area is full.