

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**TO:** Jim Scholl, City Manager  
**FROM:** John Wilkins, Parking Manager  
**DATE:** March 18, 2011  
**SUBJECT:** Changes to Residential Parking Permit Program Ordinance

**Action statement:**

Commissioner Weekley is proposing changes to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70. Traffic and Vehicles, Article IV Parking, Stopping and Standing, Division V Residential Parking Permit Program as well as proposed changes to street markings required to delineate such parking spaces authorized by such proposed Residential Parking Permit Program changes.

**Background:**

The City currently has a residential Parking Permit Program that has been effect for over 10 years. It allows vehicles with a Monroe County License tag or a Residential Parking Permit decal to park in the parking permit area in spaces marked for residential parking only. The demand for these spaces has grown to exceed the capacity. The City receives frequent calls from residents in this area complaining about the lack of available parking with the current program. There are approximately 3,600 parking spaces in the area and an estimated 1,300 spaces are marked for residential use only. Additionally, the current street markings which delineate such parking spaces are difficult to see and maintain.

**Recommendation:**

Change the Eligibility of the Residential Parking Permit Program to allow only residents of the parking permit area to qualify. Permit is identified by a Residential Parking Permit decal displayed on vehicles windshield that expire every year. Applicants must show proof of residency and ownership of the vehicle with application. The intent is to decrease the demand for these spaces providing relief to the residents most affected by the limited spaces available. The street marking improvements will be made by marking each space with thermoplastic striping of 5” wide and 29” long installed on the outside edge of the space that state “residential permit parking only”.

**Financial Impact:**

Proposed Permit fees will be \$25.00 each. Permit decals are estimated to cost .26 each. Increased cost of administration is estimated to be:  
Improved Street markings are \$14.10 each for 1,300 spaces.