

Resolution 233 Parking Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2024 | 7 pm

Agenda:

- Review agenda + proposed community conversation agreements
- Identify notetaker for the meeting
- Review research spreadsheet, to include:
 - List of parking issues
 - HOA townhouse streets, # of visitor parking spots, # of curbside parking spots
- Discuss options for next steps
- Review action items + adjourn

Attendees (11): Laura Bentzen (chair), Dirk Johnson (vice chair), Matt Miller (secretary), Terri Hess (Grounds Committee), Roddy Dean (Board member), Mona Aleem, Ashlee Booth, Tim Gallagher, Tom McHugh, Ron McNulty, Roya Zekri.

Group agreed on proposed community conversation agreements as presented by Laura.

Matt Miller volunteered to be secretary.

Discussion Highlights:

Question raised: Does eventual revisions to resolution 233 language have to be uniform across all townhouse subdivisions? Example: can Morven have different rules than Welbourne?
Determined that all rules should be the same for all subdivisions.

Short discussion on VDOT streets regarding enforcement and CountrysideHOA working with local county officials on enforcing county laws regarding operating businesses on VDOT streets. Reconfirmed that VDOT streets are outside the scope of this subcommittee.

Discussion of current enforcement of the visitor parking spaces, to include whether PMP is proactively enforcing parking rules or is merely responding to complaints from residents. General belief that it is both proactive and reactive; however, there is a desire to understand how enforcement of visitor parking actually takes place. (Action Step)

Discussion on long-term parking on HOA-controlled open curbside parking.

- What is the definition of a 'stored or planted' vehicle? 1 month, 3 months, year etc.
- Suggestion for residents to request a long-term parking pass from HOA if needed for deployment, long-term assignment or other reasons. Cons included cost to administer and perceived guarantee of a spot when none may be available.
- Suggestion of if one is looking for long term parking, that vehicle should be in the designated spot and the other cars can vie for open curbside parking. Not readily seen as an option for many.

- Lots of discussion about issuing additional parking passes to residents for a third car. Cons included cost of administration for HOA and the false sense of available parking for all third vehicles.
- Suggestion to paint lines to indicate actual spaces to minimize taking up too many spaces or blocking others. (Action step to determine cost and feasibility)
- Recommendation to issue a memo to the community for educational purposes to inform them of the concern of stored vehicles (many may not realize it is an issue and are willing and able to move their vehicles). The memo may be paired with a blind survey to determine how many cars the residents have to get a better idea of what is needed.

Action Items from May meeting:

1. Laura will start a document to compile issues and other data points - COMPLETED
2. Obtain a map of HOA vs VDOT streets in townhouse neighborhoods - COMPLETED
3. Obtain number of townhouse lots impacted and number of spaces available - IN PROGRESS (PMP)
4. Obtain, to the extent possible, list of prior parking issues and potential solutions considered - IN PROGRESS
5. Laura will create Google Group email listserv for the subcommittee - COMPLETED

New Action Items:

1. Determine the approximate number of vehicles currently parked in open curbside spaces in Morven, Oatlands, Foxfield, and Welbourne. Subcommittee members were requested to select a few streets on which they were willing to walk and count vehicles along the curb. (All)
2. Get a cost estimate to paint lines in open curbside parking (either on the curb itself or on the street) in the townhouse neighborhoods. (Roddy) Research best parking spot length to use. (All)
3. Obtain clarity from HOA on current enforcement of visitor parking and the process.
4. Draft an educational parking memo to start a dialog with the community. (Laura and Dirk to draft). Look into possibly using HOA's survey monkey account to solicit input from the community. (Roddy)

Meeting adjourned.