

ORDINANCE NO. 4389

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article F (PARKING PERMIT DISTRICTS) of Chapter 8 (PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new Section 5-8-82 (RESTRICTED OVERNIGHT PARKING DISTRICTS).

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Article F, of Chapter 8, Title 5 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended by adding thereto a new Section 5-8-82 to read as follows:

Sec. 5-8-82 Restricted overnight parking districts.

(a) Prohibited parking. It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle within any block face which is posted with one or more restricted overnight parking district signs contrary to any of the conditions set forth on the sign, unless the vehicle displays a valid City of Alexandria license plate, windshield tag or decal issued pursuant to section 3-2-321, *et seq.*, of this code, or a guest or visitor permit issued pursuant to this section.

(b) Parking restrictions. Restricted overnight parking district signs shall prohibit parking by motor vehicles which do not display a valid City of Alexandria license plate, windshield tag or decal issued pursuant to section 3-2-321, *et seq.*, of this code, or a guest or visitor permit issued pursuant to this section, during the posted overnight hours between 12 midnight and 6:00 a.m. the following morning. As used in this section, parking means the stopping or standing of a motor vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading of the vehicle.

(c) Establishment of district. A restricted overnight parking district may be established in accordance with the following criteria and procedures:

- (1) All property within the district must be zoned for residential use.
- (2) No district shall include property which is included within a residential permit parking district established pursuant to this article F.
- (3) The district must include a minimum of 200 on street parking spaces.
- (4) A petition requesting the establishment of a restricted overnight parking district, describing the area proposed to be designated, and signed by not less than 66 and 2/3 percent of the residents abutting each block face in the proposed district, shall be filed with the city manager.
- (5) Upon receipt of a petition which meets the minimum criteria, the city manager shall conduct one or more surveys of the on street parking spaces within the proposed district during the restricted parking hours, on an evening other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday evening. If the surveys reasonably demonstrate to the satisfaction of the city manager that at least 25 percent of the vehicles parked within the proposed district did not display a valid City of Alexandria license plate, windshield tag or decal issued pursuant to section 3-2-321, *et seq.*, of this code, **the manager shall refer the petition to the traffic and parking board. If the surveys do not so demonstrate, the petition shall be deemed denied.**
- (6) The traffic and parking board shall conduct a public hearing, and make a recommendation to the city council concerning the establishment of the district.
- (7) Upon receipt of the recommendation of the traffic and parking board, the city council shall determine whether or not to establish the restricted overnight parking district. **Prior to making**

its decision, the city council may elect to hold a public hearing on the proposed designation.

- (8) The board and council shall consider the following factors: the availability of off street parking in the district, the degree of congestion or utilization of on street parking typical in the district during the restricted hours, such geographic features of the area as may impact access to, or availability of, parking during the restricted hours, the likely effect of establishment of the district on surrounding areas within the city, and such additional factors as the board or council reasonably determine are relevant to its consideration of the matter.
- (9) If the city council approves the establishment of the district, the director of transportation and environmental services shall forthwith post the signs described in subsection (b) within the district, and record the district on the permit parking district map.

(d) The city manager shall provide for the convenient issuance of guest and visitor permits, as provided in section 5-8-74, for use within a restricted overnight parking district.

(e) All relevant provisions of this code, including without limitation the provisions of this article F, which are not in conflict with the provisions of this section, shall apply to the establishment, procedures, penalties and enforcement of a restricted overnight parking district established pursuant to this section.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE
Mayor

Final Passage: April 16, 2005