

Arlington County Parking Proposal – What you need to know

What you may have missed

Arlington County issued a Proposed Residential Permit Parking Program (RPP) change on October 12th and gave citizens 2 weeks to comment. This was proposed after our October Civic Association newsletter was distributed and the comment period closed before our November Civic Association newsletter distribution.

This proposal has been in the works for 3 years and many of you came to a November 2018 civic association meeting to express your desire to continue our current zone parking to preserve the integrity of our neighborhood

The Key Takeaway of the Arlington County Proposal

- *2-hour paid parking allowed on all streets*
 - *Our zone parking would remain in effect*
 - *Vehicle permits will be reduced with increased fees*
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What is being proposed by Arlington County

1. Eligibility to petition – Allows apartment tenants to petition to receive zoned parking.

- It is unclear if the apartment building in our neighborhood could petition to receive zoned parking passes, overwhelming our existing street parking

2. Permit caps – Reduce the number of zone permits per household.

- Current: We can have up to 3 vehicle specific permits plus 1 flex pass.
- Proposed: Reduce the passes to 1 vehicle permits plus 1 flex pass if you have a driveway or garage or 2 vehicle permits plus one flex pass if you don't have any off-street parking.

3. Visitors and others - Two-hour paid parking on all streets with restrictions.

- Current: We currently have zoned parking M-F 8am-5pm and unrestricted free parking to anyone outside of those hours. This was originally established primarily due to overwhelming parking by Crystal City employees.

- Proposed: All of our streets would be available for 2-hour paid parking (no meters but we would have parkmobile signs everywhere) and zoned permits would be exempt from the paid parking. Zoned permits would also be issued for school employees

4. Fees – Increase fees on all passes.

- Current fee structure:
 - FlexPass and Landlord Pass – Free
 - Vehicle-specific permits - \$20 for the first permit, \$20 for the second permit, \$50 for the third permit
 - Short-term visitor books - first booklet is free, then \$5 each
- Proposed Fee Structure:
 - Flex Pass and Landlord Pass \$40
 - Vehicle-specific permits - \$40 for the first permit, \$55 for the second permit
 - Short-term visitor books, \$5 for the first book, \$10 each for the four other books
 - 50% discount on fees for anyone with: SNAP, WIC, TANF, SSI/SSDI, LIHEAP or Medicaid

What you can do about it if you think this is a bad idea –

PLEASE Email County Leaders or Testify before the Board

- Read more about the proposed program changes: For more information on the project, visit the project web site at: <https://projects.arlingtonva.us/rppreview/>
- Testify before the Board (virtually) All are invited to watch and comment on changes to the RPP program at the December 2020 and January 2021 Board Meeting. <https://countyboard.arlingtonva.us/virtual-county-board-meeting-signup/>
- Email/Write to the County
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