

Ordinance 27-17

Special Parking Permits for Transport and Contractors

Staff Report

The purpose of this legislation is to establish parking shuttle eligibility for special parking permits; to limit special parking permits within the Historic District; and to clarify conditions for issuing special parking permits.

Parking regulation flexibility with respect to the building trades, to merchandise and materials transport, and to parking shuttles provides economic benefit to both the residents and businesses of Annapolis.

The existing regulations neglect to consider the negative economic impact of multiple, simultaneous special parking permits and also neglect to consider the negative economic impact of special parking permits on the weekly business cycle.

Section 12.20.230A currently allows the Transportation Department to grant permits to owners of vehicles used to transport merchandise or materials and contractors. This legislation will extend that authority to grant permits to owners of Parking Shuttles.

The legislation further sets a maximum number of special parking permits that may be issued within and outside the historic district after review and approval by the City Manager of the special parking permit's impact, it stipulates the times for posting of approved special parking permits by the City, and it specifically puts individuals on notice that parking spaces reserved by special parking permits shall only be used for the parking, loading and unloading of vehicles and shall not be used in lieu of a street obstruction permit when required pursuant to Chapter 14.20.

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