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DWCA RESIDENTS PARKING PERMIT

You will have now perhaps have seen/been aware of the introduction of on-street pay-parking in De Waterkant. Started 1st December 2022.

Enough may have been said about the ill-conceived, irresponsible, reckless and incompetent manner in which the City has introduced this in De Waterkant, specifically with respect to dealing, or not, with residents in the pay-parking areas. But let's leave it at that.

The City's Press Release from 1st December 2022 says, inter alia

"The City intends to introduce a pilot resident permit system for De Waterkant within the next two weeks as a mechanism to reserve parking on the periphery of managed areas for residents only. This is in an effort to prevent visitors to businesses and restaurants from parking in on-street parking bays in residential streets in close proximity to areas where the City charges a tariff for the use of an on-street parking bay. More information will be made available closer to the time. The lessons learned from this pilot will assist the City in fine-tuning the system for possible roll-out to other areas where parking management has been implemented."

This, in essence, is the plan around implementing the Residents Parking Permit in De Waterkant. The following is a draft of that Residents Parking Plan. This is a working document and subject to revisions and input before implementation.

The Residents-only Parking area – the Precinct

- Specific residents-only parking streets have been demarcated in De Waterkant. This is referred to as residents parking precinct ("Precinct").
- The precinct consists of the marked parking bays in the following streets;
 1. Vos Street parking area (excluding the 4 bays reserved for City Traffic/Enforcement vehicles)
 2. All of Loader Street
 3. Dixon between Loader and Waterkant
 4. Napier between Loader and Waterkant
 5. De Smit in the cul-de-sacs off Loader Street, left and right
 6. Waterkant north from Highfield to the cul-de-sac
 7. Waterkant between De Smit and Dixon (please note, the section between De Smit and Highfield is demarcated pay-parking)
 8. Jarvis between Napier and De Smit
 9. Highfield Terrace
 10. Boundary Road
- Only parkers displaying approved residents parking permits/discs may park in this precinct.
- All other parking in De Waterkant is time-limited and pay-parking.

- According to our data and on-street research and parking bay audits, we have counted there are maximum of 181 parking bays in the residents-only precinct.

Residents Parking Permit – the process

- Residents seeking a parking permit must firstly submit the Application to parking.info@capetown.gov.za with the necessary supporting documentation as noted below.

Your application will be vetted by City Of Cape Town Permit Office (up to 7 working days) and upon acceptance, an invoice will be sent to your email as noted, with a reference number and guidance for making payment.

- Please send proof of payment to Parking.Info@capetown.gov.za
- Once payment has been received a permit and disk will be printed (this may take up to 5 working days).
- The permit and disk can be collected at the offices of the Green Point CID, Prestwich Memorial, Prestwich Street, Cape Town (that is right next door to Truth Café)
- That disk will be the graphic display to be stuck/posted inside the applicant's vehicle of a valid resident's parking permit, and displayed for law enforcement purposes

Residents Parking Permit – supporting documents to submit

Applicants are required to submit the following documents with your application:

- Proof of identity (Copy of applicant's RSA ID or passport), and**
- Proof of address:** Any one of the following documents reflecting the applicant's name and the residential address appearing in section 2 above: City of Cape Town municipal account / Utility account / Bank Statement / Active lease or rental agreement.
- Only for Property Managing Agents:** Copy of signed agreement between property owner and agent for the management of the property/properties in application

Residents Parking Permit – who can apply ?

1. All Residents may apply for one resident's parking permit. "Resident" means any person living in De Waterkant.....which may be the landlord/property owner, or a tenant. But only one parking permit may be issued per property.
2. The issuing of additional parking permits to any one property will be assessed and vetted by City of Cape Town on a case-by-case basis.

(Please note; Only accredited and registered guest houses may qualify for additional parking permits. The fact that any one property is on AirB&B or booking.com or any other on-line booking platform does not automatically qualify them for additional parking permit(s). We will need to be reasonable and collaborative in this process, and appeal to bone-fide guest houses to work with us to make this an effective solution and not a contest. DWCA will always try act in good faith and we will try find each other.)

Residents Parking Permit – the Rules

1. This permit is only valid for use on streets demarcated by "Permit holder" signs in the Resident Parking precinct as stipulated above.
2. The permit is valid for 12 months from date of issue, and is to be renewed annually in advance.
3. The permits now to be issued will be for 2023.
4. No provision is made for temporary parking permits. Annual permits only.
5. Permits are not transferrable between different residents/property owners/tenants.
6. A valid permit holder may use their valid disc for more than one vehicle, but only for one vehicle at a time. As noted, duplications of permits and discs is not allowed, so one disc may be

used for only one vehicle at any one given time. The permit may therefore be shifted/transferred between vehicles provided only the vehicle displaying a valid disc may be permitted to parking in the precinct at any one given time.

7. Parking Permits are linked to the property physical address. They are not linked to any specific vehicle.
8. All parking in the precinct will be on a first-come-first-served basis. Under no circumstances shall there be any “reserved” or exclusive-use parking bays. The practice of coning-off or using barriers to restrict residents’ parking will not be accepted and the DWCA’s position is they shall be removed. Onus is on the City to rule on and enforce this, or not.
9. Parking will only be permitted in designated marked parking bays. Illegally parked vehicles (irrespective of displaying residents’ permit/disc) shall be subject to the usual law enforcement of all stationary offences (parking on red lines, no-parking areas, disabled bays, yellow lines, loading zones)
10. There may be no duplication of permits and/or discs. None.
11. Failure to display a valid disc in a vehicle in the precinct may lead to law enforcement action.
12. Discs must be prominently displayed inside the vehicle for law enforcement purposes.
13. It remains the resident’s obligation to ensure the disc is prominently displayed on the dashboard/or on the passenger-side windscreen.
14. Residents who park outside the residents-only parking precinct during parking operating hours will be required to pay for their parking.
15. No non-residents/non-disc holders shall be permitted to park in the residents-only precinct.
16. The pay-parking areas, and therefore in fact all parking in De Waterkant, will only be managed and enforced for pay-parking during the operating hours of Monday-Friday 08h00 to 17h00 and Saturdays 08h00 to 13h00 (“operating hours”). All parking outside those operating hours is not subject to parking management/pay-parking.
17. Law Enforcement can still apply 24-7 for any illegal parking – red line, yellow line, obstructed parking, expired licenses etc.....just not pay- or -residents-only parking.
18. The 2022/23 cost of a permit is R930.00
19. The 2022/23 cost to replace a lost or damaged permit is R930.00
20. The tariffs are reviewed and approved by Council on an annual basis
21. All revenue from the Residents Parking Permit system accrue to the City. The DWCA has no financial benefit arising from this fee.

Law Enforcement

We are reliant primarily on the GPCID to deploy CID Law Enforcement for enforcement of illegal parking/parkers not displaying residents parking permits in the designated streets and residents-only parking areas. This may be supplemented by the City, but we do not hold our breath for that. Enforcement is likely to be for limited but sustained times during each daythe intention is that vehicles not displaying Residents Parking Permits in the residents-only precinct will be fined and/or towed away. This is based on the premise that all residents have applied and have received their permits, and prominently displays the disc accordingly.

It is likely that enforcement will be “soft” at the outset and allow a transition time in.