



**Historic Jackson Ward Association
Public Meeting Minutes - Special Meeting
502 N. 2nd Street
June 26, 2018**

Janis Allen was absent. Gary Flowers ran the meeting in her stead.

Board Members in Attendance: Gary, Lynne, Jourdan, Zach, David

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm, and Gary gave a recap of the reason for the special meeting – parking permits.

Lynne led the discussion.

Jourdan gave results of survey - 2 permits for both homeowners and renters

David: What is required of someone in order to sign the parking petition?

- name on deed
- vehicle in their name
- vehicle at the address

Larissa: commented on Carver/Fan application which had spaces for both renter (2 permits) and owner (3 permits)

Steve clarified why they were this way.

Larissa: What's the definition of "household?"

Difficulty of registering a car? Nominal fee, 30 day requirement.

Kim Gray: landlords are not entitled to parking permits, legally.

Steve: ran landlord past pilot program. Can't sell landlord passes unless through ordinance.

Jim: Anti brothel law ==> limit rental parcels to 3

David: motion to answer question of same # of permits for renters and owners. Seconded.

Larissa: What if I'm a landlord, but don't reside there?

Steve: Non-resident home owners aren't entitled to permits.

However, we are creating our own ordinance where we could redefine.

However, there is no city-wide definition of what a household is.

Concerns about non-resident landlords having permits due to abuse.

Jim: We should keep them the same #

Same vs. different: 8 ayes; 5 nays. Same for both renters and owners.

David moved that a household should have same number of permits rented or owner occupied.

Jim seconded. 12 ayes; 1 nay. Motion passed.

(1) What is that number?

Jim made motion that 3 legal permit passes per household regardless of renter or owner occupied. David seconded.

Larissa: max of three has nothing to do with guest permits? Yes

Concerns about households with other parking having the same number of parking permits

Moot point.

Vote: 11 ayes; 2 nays. Motion carries. Max number will be 3.

Jim made motion: 2 guest passes per legal address.

How does the guest pass work?

Nonresident landlords would have to ask tenants for guest pass

What about contractors? City hall can provide passes if you call them.

Jim: guest passes are address related and not license plate related.

Kim: What stops a student from selling their guest passes?

Harvey: what about limiting guest passes to owner occupied residences?

Jim: retract first motion. New motion: guest passes for owner occupied residences only. David seconded.

Larissa: would I have to go to the city hall for a guest permit?

David: how often do you actually spend more than 2 hours on your property?

Gary: perhaps your circumstances are so unique that you might need to have a conversation with Lynne or Steve.

Lynne: Larissa would be a contractor and could contact city hall.

Angela: can special circumstances grant additional permits. Can we add a special provision to grant additional parking passes?

David: that should be a different motion

Kim: we don't want to set a precedent for multiple administrative hurdles

Vote: 8 ayes; 2 nay. Motion carried.

Jim: another motion. 2 guest passes per owner occupied household. Zach seconded.

Emily: it should be 1 - too many

Folks commented that most residences in neighborhood are not owner occupied.

Can guest passes be time limited?

Steve: there are temporary ones that you can have for a limited time. Contractors - it varies due to length of job.

Steve: you could include time limit for the annual guest. City of Richmond doesn't have the ability right now, although we can write it in the code.

Homeowners least likely to sell to students.

Jim: from fan - they're not really a commodity that people sell. You keep this thing locked up.

Vote: 10 aye; 1 nay. Motion carries.

Jim: motion that we reject separate zones in the neighborhood.

All: that doesn't even exist...

Larissa: what about blocks without parking (e.g. North Adams). Can they sign a petition?

Lynne: we would need to get those signatures for that block for them to be included.

Gary: what's the next part of the process?

Lynne: folks have to sign up for walking blocks. We'll make adjustments and bring them to the July meeting.

What blocks are we going to target?

Vote will need to be brought in front of the HJWA general meeting.

Kim noted that there's no reason to hesitate.

Lynne: we should focus our efforts in order to not end up helter-skelter like Oregon Hill.

Steve noted block faces.

Gary closed the meeting at 7:15