[Residential Parking Permits.]

Ordinance amending San Francisco Traffic Code section 308 to limit the number of residential parking permits issued to a single address.

Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman; deletions are strikethrough italics Times New Roman. Board amendment additions are double underlined. Board amendment deletions are strikethrough normal.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

(a) The Residential Parking Permit program was established in order to preserve neighborhood parking for residents and to discourage commuter and long term parking by non-residents.

(b) The current Residential Parking Permit Ordinance has been taken advantage of by some residents in densely populated neighborhoods to the detriment of the neighborhood as a whole, and to the detriment of individual permanent residents of these neighborhoods.

(c) According to the Department of Parking and Traffic, 98% of households have been issued between one and three permits. However, there are over 700 households that maintain more than four.

(d) The proposed amendment to the Residential Parking Permit Ordinance places a limitation on the program designed to continue to provide priority parking opportunities for residents.

(e) The proposed amendments are not intended to serve as a barrier to applications for residential parking permits by licensed drivers within the same family and/or same household who are permanent residents, or by similarly qualified applicants in neighborhoods that are not densely populated.
Section 2. The San Francisco Traffic Code is hereby amended by amending Section 308, to read as follows:

SEC. 308. ISSUANCE OF PERMITS. (a) Parking permits shall be issued by the Director of Parking and Traffic. Each such permit shall be designed by the Director of Parking and Traffic to state or reflect thereon the particular residential permit parking area as well as the license number of the motor vehicle for which it is issued. No more than one parking permit shall be issued to each motor vehicle for which application is made. Parking permits shall not be issued for vehicles for which any notice of violation of parking rules and restrictions established by this Code is outstanding and unpaid. The Director of Parking and Traffic shall issue such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this Article, governing the manner in which persons shall qualify for parking permits.

(b) Parking permits may be issued for motor vehicles only upon application of the following persons:

(1) A legal resident of the residential permit parking area who has a motor vehicle which is both registered in his or her name, and registered at his or her address within that residential permit parking area, or a legal resident of the residential permit parking area who has a motor vehicle for his or her exclusive use and under his or her control where said motor vehicle is registered to his or her employer or a vanpool agency and he or she presents a valid employee identification card or other proof of employment that is acceptable to the Director of Parking and Traffic;

(2) A legal resident of the residential permit parking area who has a motor vehicle registered to a vehicle-leasing company and leased to the resident's employer, providing said vehicle is for the resident's exclusive use and provides proof of the lease agreement which is acceptable to the Director of Parking and Traffic and shows that the vehicle is registered in compliance with California Vehicle Code Section 6853;
(3) A person who owns or leases commercial property and actively engages in business activity within a residential permit parking area. However, a permit shall only be issued if that person presents proof of a valid business tax registration certificate that is required of the person's business activity pursuant to Section 1003 of the San Francisco Municipal Code and has no outstanding business tax liability. Such proof shall be presented to the Director of Parking and Traffic. No more than one parking permit may be issued for each business establishment for a motor vehicle registered to or under the control of such a person. The authority to qualify for a residential parking permit that is provided by this subsection shall not be transferable to an employee of the business;

(4) A legal resident of the residential permit parking area for display upon a rented motor vehicle, provided that no such permit shall be valid for more than 14 days from the date of issuance or renewal thereof;

(5) A legal resident of a residential permit parking area for use by bona fide transient visitors therein. Such a visitor permit shall have all the rights and privileges of a regular permit. A visitor permit shall be valid for no more than 14 days from the date of issuance. No resident of a residential permit parking area shall be issued more than one visitor permit at any one time;

(6) The Director of Parking and Traffic may issue a temporary permit valid for a minimum of 14 days and a maximum of four weeks, on a one-time basis, for a legal resident of the residential permit parking area upon proof said resident has not resided within that residential permit parking area during the immediate previous 30 days;

(7) A full-time student who is a legal resident of the residential permit parking area who presents a valid current full-time student identification card issued by an educational institution located within the City, or other proof of such full-time student status acceptable to
the Director of Parking and Traffic, and who provides proof that there is a current California
motor vehicle registration for the vehicle.

(c) No more than four Residential Parking Permits shall be issued to a single
address.

(d) Residents may file a request with the Executive Director of the Department of
Parking and Traffic to be considered for a waiver to obtain additional permits. A fee of two times the
current rate of a yearly Residential Parking permit will be assessed for any fifth additional permit
unless waived by the Executive Director. A fee of three times the current rate of a yearly Residential
Parking permit will be assessed for any sixth additional permit unless waived by the Executive
Director. A fee of four times the current rate of a yearly Residential Parking permit will be assessed for
any seventh or additional permit unless waived by the Executive Director. Factors to be considered by
the Executive Director when determining whether or not to grant a permit and/or fee waiver include,
but are not limited to, the availability of on-street parking in the requestor's residential area,
demonstrated financial hardship, the basis for the requestor's need for an additional permit and proof
of single car ownership.

(e) The Executive Director of the Department of Parking and Traffic shall maintain public
records for all waivers granted, including all documentation provided in support of approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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February 25, 2002 Board of Supervisors — SUBSTITUTED
May 20, 2002 Board of Supervisors — CONTINUED
Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

May 28, 2002 Board of Supervisors — AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE
Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

May 28, 2002 Board of Supervisors — PASSED ON FIRST READING AS AMENDED
Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

June 3, 2002 Board of Supervisors — FINALLY PASSED
Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, Newsom, Peskin, Yee
Absent: 2 - McGoldrick, Sandoval
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on June 3, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.