

# MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # 253-2016

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager



DATE: June 8, 2016

SUBJECT: **GARDEN AVENUE - RESIDENTIAL PARKING PROGRAM**

The purpose of this LTC is to advise the Mayor and Commission of the deployment of the Garden Avenue Residential Parking Program establishing a two (2) hour maximum time limit for non-residents and exemption of bona fide residents within this neighborhood from the maximum time limit.

The City of Miami Beach Parking Department received a petition from residents of the Garden Avenue neighborhood requesting a residential parking program. The Parking Department surveyed the area and held a publicly noticed Residential Parking Workshop on Thursday, April 21, 2016. The Workshop provided valuable comments, suggestions, and input from affected residents and other entities in the area, including St Patrick's Church/School (Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Miami).

#### **St. Patrick's Church/School (Roman Catholic "Archdiocese" of Miami)**

The Archdiocese acknowledged residents may request (and the City may establish) a parking program to address resident parking challenges. Also, the Archdiocese asserted its right as a property owner to not have resident parking regulations fronting their properties in the neighborhood. The Parking Department has conducted extensive outreach and coordination with the Archdiocese to address their concerns as follows:

Clearly, the goal is to maximize parking opportunities for all users in the neighborhood, including residents, as this enhances their quality of life. The two (2) hour maximum time limit has been deployed in other neighborhoods throughout the city with great success. In this particular case, the two (2) hour maximum time limit allows a window of time consistent with the length of many services at the church. This was crafted in this manner in order to minimize any impact to parishioners of St. Patrick's. This coupled with a compromise to deploy residential parking regulations fronting residential properties only and St. Patrick's school/church properties remaining unchanged is an equitable compromise.

Subsequently, the Archdiocese made the following two (2) additional requests and the Parking Department's responses are included below:

#### St. Patrick's Request No. 1

The residential parking restrictions to be implemented at the residential blocks north of W39 ST (2 hour parking from 6am to 6pm) be [sic] only Monday to Friday. As discussed, we have weekend events that run over 2 hours.

*Parking Response No. 1:*

*Upon further and careful consideration, the program will be deployed with the originally stated hours and days (6am to 6pm/seven days). Among other considerations, the most compelling are: (1) curbside parking being the only option for residents in the area; and (2) curbside parking regulations deployed consistent with the wishes of the fronting property owners. As a reminder, although some church functions/events may have a duration beyond two (2) hours, this could be accommodated by managing the use of the church [private] parking lot for longer term parking sessions (over two hours) and unregulated and regulated curbside parking for shorter term parking sessions (less than two hours).*

St. Patrick's Request No. 2:

There will not be any residential parking restrictions implemented south of W39 ST.

*Parking Response No. 2:*

*At this time, there are no foreseen plans to expand the program south of Barry/37<sup>th</sup> Street. Any amendments or changes to the program would be communicated to all stakeholders well in advance of taking effect in order to solicit input and comments.*

**Garden Avenue Residential Parking Program**

The City's Parking Department is establishing an on-street residential parking program to service residents of the Garden Avenue neighborhood to alleviate residential parking challenges in the area. Most residential properties in the Garden Avenue neighborhood have no off-street parking. Therefore, the only parking option for residents is curbside. Bona fide residents within the boundaries referenced below (with proof of residency) shall be eligible to register their vehicles and park with exemption to the posted on-street parking regulations identified below (see attached map).

**Vehicles registered in the residential parking program shall be exempt from the posted maximum time limits.** The residential parking virtual permit (license plate) does not imply or guarantee a parking space (first-come/first-served); however, it does afford the resident with the opportunity to park without having to relocate their vehicle pursuant to the posted maximum time limit.

Vehicles exceeding the two (2) hour maximum time limit not registered in the residential parking program (non-residents) are subject to enforcement, including vehicle impoundment.

This program has two provisions intended to address the parking challenges in the Garden Avenue neighborhood:

- Registration and identification of resident vehicles.
- Residents within the boundaries of the zone are exempt from the maximum time limit. The parking enforcement officer will be able to identify through license plate recognition bona fide residents and exempt them from the two (2) hour maximum time limit.

**Residential Parking Program Boundaries:**

North: West 40<sup>th</sup> Street\*  
 South: West 34<sup>th</sup> Street\*  
 West: Centerline of Alton Road\*  
 East: North Meridian Avenue\*

*\*Please note the attached map is intended to depict participation boundaries. Parking regulations will be posted only on block sides with residential properties.*

**On-street parking at the following locations:**

The parking regulation of a two (2) hour maximum time limit (residents exempt) will be posted in parking areas fronting residential properties only within the prescribed boundaries above. A sample sign is provided below:



**Visitor Parking**

Visitor parking is available at on-street parking areas in the vicinity. Visitors may park for up to two (2) hours (posted maximum time limit) or at metered parking spaces in the vicinity.

**Residency Documentation:**

1. **VALID PHOTO ID**  
 Issued by local, state, or federal agency (Driver's license, passport)
2. **VALID VEHICLE REGISTRATION**  
 Vehicle registration belonging to the person applying for the exemption. If the vehicle is registered to a different person, the resident must provide proof of insurance.
3. **VALID PROOF OF MIAMI BEACH RESIDENCY**  
 Miami Beach residents must provide documentation at the time of registration with **resident's name** AND **Miami Beach address** as follows:

One (1) document from List A and one (1) document from List B.

List A	List B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valid driver's license</li> <li>• Vehicle Registration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utility bill (electric, gas, cable)</li> <li>• Phone/Mobile phone carrier statement</li> <li>• Bank statement</li> <li>• Credit card statement (credit card number must be obstructed)</li> <li>• Vehicle insurance statement</li> </ul> <p>Note: Current statement must have been mailed within the last 30 days. Internet/electronic bills are not acceptable proof of residency.</p>

**For more information, please call 305-673-7737**

### **Parking Enforcement**

Enforcement of the new regulations shall commence upon:

- Ten (10) days after the installation of two (2) hour maximum time limit signs; and
- In no case, more than thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. This is to allow ample time for residents to register for participation. It is important to note that registration of your vehicle is essential when parked in two (2) hour maximum time limit parking areas in order to avoid enforcement actions.
- Failure to register may lead to your vehicle being cited and impounded when parked in a two (2) hour parking area. Please register timely or refrain from parking within these posted areas.
- A Parking and Code Enforcement Hotline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for service calls and dispatch of Parking Enforcement and/or Code Enforcement personnel. The hotline is 305.604.4785.

### **Residential Parking Notice Signs**

Please note that signs similar to the one shown below shall be posted at the perimeter of the boundaries of the zone providing notice of maximum time limit signs restricting parking hours and days. This is another passive measure to provide notice and discourage displacement of parking spaces in your neighborhood.



### **Notice of Commencement:**

A notice with the information contained herein will be mailed to all residents of the Garden Avenue neighborhood with ample time to register in the program prior to any enforcement actions commence.

If you should have any questions, please contact Saul Frances, Parking Director, at (305) 673-7000, extension 6483.

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# RESIDENTIAL RPP ZONE 23

