



Memorandum

To: Benjamin Marentette, City Clerk
From: Nicole VanNess, Parking Administrator
Date: March 5, 2018
Re: Residential Parking FAQ

Why is the DDA involved in residential parking?

The Operation and Management Contract between the City and DDA was amended on July 1, 2014 to include, "16. Residential Permits. The DDA shall administer the residential parking permit program on behalf of the City."

What areas/blocks are eligible for Residential Parking Program (RPP)?

Residents of blocks that have requested RPP will be surveyed. The survey results must show a 51% interest to move forward with RPP.

Who is eligible to be surveyed?

Surveys will be sent to residential property owners. Businesses, schools, medical facilities, etc. will not be surveyed.

How do we request to be surveyed?

Anyone interested, should contact Traverse City Parking Services at (231) 922-0241, or email rpp@downtowntc.com. The request will be submitted to the Transportation Committee to verify the block is eligible for a RPP. Once the block has been verified, surveys will be sent to the residents.

How is 51% calculated?

Surveys will be sent to each property owner of requesting block. The surveys will be sent to the address on file with the City Assessor's Office. Residents will have a minimum of two weeks to respond. 51% is calculated as the amount of responses in favor over those not in favor and those who did not respond.

Example: The block has 10 residences and 10 surveys were sent. Survey results: 3 yes, 2 no, 5 no response would calculate as $3/10 = 30\%$ Yes, $7/10 = 70\%$ No. RPP would not pass for this block.

If our block did not show support in a previous survey, how long do we have to wait to request another survey?

A block may request to be surveyed no more than three times in a 12 month period.

If the residents of my block show a 51% interest in RPP, what happens next?

Restricted parking signage (1 hour, 2 hour, No Parking School Days 8 AM-3 PM, etc.) will be installed on the RPP block. Residents may request residential permits through an RPP application once the signs have been installed.

How are permits assigned?



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Permits will be assigned by neighborhood. Permits are valid on any block that has RPP within the neighborhood.

Example: Both the 300 block of Seventh and the 400 block of Thirteenth Street reside in Central Neighborhood. Both blocks have elected to participate in the RPP and may obtain a Central Neighborhood Permit. Posted signs for Seventh Street are 2 Hour Limit and Thirteenth Street are No Parking 8 AM-3 PM School Days. Residents from the 400 block of Thirteenth may park on the 300 block of Seventh or vice versa with their Central Neighborhood Residential Permit. Residents in the 500 block of Tenth Street have not elected to participate, therefore, are not eligible to obtain a Central Neighborhood permit.

Who is eligible to obtain a residential permit?

Only residents on blocks approved for RPP are eligible to obtain a permit. There is no limit to the number of permits. The resident must provide proof of vehicle registration that the vehicle is registered to an address on the RPP block.

If my vehicle is registered in another city or State, am I eligible to obtain a residential permit?

No. Michigan Secretary of State Vehicle registration must indicate that the vehicle is registered to an owner on the RPP block.

My block has an RPP, am I required to obtain a residential permit?

No. Residents may elect to obtain a permit to park past the posted restrictions, but residents are not required to have a permit.

Does my permit allow overnight parking?

No. Residential permits are valid for daytime hours only and do not include overnight parking.

I live in the DDA District, am I eligible for a RPP?

No. Only neighborhoods outside of the DDA District are eligible for a RPP. Both Hardy and Old Town Garages offer 24 hour access for daytime and overnight parking through the downtown permit program.

My block has meters, is my block eligible for a RPP?

No. RPP permits are not valid in metered spaces.

I own a business on a RPP block, am I eligible to purchase permits for my employees?

No. RPP permits are only offered to residents who reside on the RPP block.