Proposal for Changes to Parking Permits Town of South Bethany

Town Council Meeting February 9, 2017

TOWN OF SOUTH BETHANY OVERVIEW

Current Permit Requirements, Locations, and Procedures

- > Required May 15 through September 15 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and Midnight to 6:00 a.m.
- ➤ Each residential dwelling or lot is entitled to a maximum of four permits: two transferable/two non-transferable. Parking permits issued at a cost \$10.00 each. Replacements are an additional \$15.00 each.
- > Daily permits cost \$15.00 each and may be purchased by anyone.

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- Permit requirement is limited to property owners east of Route 1 (Oceanside)
- > Permits are only obtainable by physically visiting Town Hall or the Police Department.
- > (2) Hang tags with the permittee's license number are provided to the property owner and placed in the documented vehicle(s) and (2) numerically numbered permits may be obtained by a permittee.

Parking Policies Surrounding Towns

Bethany Beach

- Residential Parking Permits required for parking on residential streets east of Route 1 and in the first block west of Route 1, May 15 through September 15, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (four streets closest to Garfield Pkwy) daily.
- Pricing Only people owning property within the incorporated limits of Bethany Beach may obtain a Residential Parking Permit. Owners of improved properties in the Town are entitled to one free residential parking permit and may purchase a second permit for \$35.00/each owned property. Owners of unimproved properties are entitled to one free residential permit regardless of the number of unimproved properties owned. Permits are valid May 15 through September 15. Property owners who rent their homes may convey the permit(s) to renters.

Dewey Beach

- > Parking permits required throughout entire town.
- > Pricing

Daily, Weekly and Weekend parking permits can be obtained from a kiosk located in front of Dewey Beach Town Hall 24/7

- Daily permit valid Monday through Wednesday \$10.00/day
- Daily permit valid Thursday through Sunday \$15.00/day
- Weekend permit valid Friday through Sunday \$35.00
- Weekly parking permit valid for one week \$55.00

Seasonal parking permits are \$200.00 and are valid May 15th to September 15th (the full parking permit season). Dewey Beach property owners who have paid their beach replenishment tax are able to purchase up to two seasonal parking permits at a rate of \$150.00 each.

Fenwick Island

- Parking permits required throughout the entire town
- Pricing

One parking tag provided free to Town residents second tag offered at \$150.00. Maximum of two tags allowed.

- o Daily Permit \$10.00
- Weekly Permit \$60.00
- Monthly Permit \$150.00
- Summer Permit \$350.00
- Replacement of Lost Permit \$75.00
- Resident Merchant Employee Permit \$75.00

Town of South Bethany Parking Permit Requirement Options

Rationale for Changes to Parking Permit Process & Requirements

- Provides property owners computerized and easy access to obtaining parking permits
- May apply remotely and receive passes via USPS or pick up at Town Hall
- No more waiting in long lines! No more waiting for Town Hall to open!
- No more requirements for vehicle license numbers
- Will reduce costs incurred with purchasing and retaining a yearly permit inventory
- Provides the Town with an audit trail so that purchases are tracked
- > Allows staff to focus on resident and visitor issues, especially during the busy season
- Eliminates need for seasonal staff or paying overtime for full-time staff on weekends and holidays
- Visitor permits may be purchased via a kiosk 24/7
- > Huge success rate in neighboring towns who have streamlined and computerized their processes
- > Aligns parking permit locations both east and west of Route 1 with neighboring towns

Proposed Areas for Parking Permits

- Option 1 Require Parking Permits Town-wide
- Option 2 Require Parking Permits on entire east side of Route 1 and first 250 feet of each Town street perpendicular to Route 1 on the west side
- Option 3 Require Parking Permits on the entire east side of Route 1 and on the west side all streets east of the Anchorage Canal to Route 1
- Option 4 Retain existing permit location to only east side of Route 1

(Note: All times requirements for parking permits will remain as currently posted)

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Option 2 - 250' west of Rt. 1 Area location not to scale

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Option 3 – to Anchorage Canal

Area location not to scale

Proposed Purchasing Methods

- Regular transferable and non-transferable parking permits - available for purchase online, through the Town's website. Permits will be mailed or can be picked up at Town Hall. Permits will still be available for purchase at Town Hall, Mon-Fri, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Daily parking permits a kiosk will be located outside of Town Hall for the purchase of daily permits.

Sample Kiosk

Proposed Permit Cost

- Option 1 All parking permits will be \$20.00 each, with the exception of replacement permits.
 - o Transferable and non-transferable \$20.00 each
 - Maximum of four and includes personal vehicles, mopeds, and motorcycles
 - Daily \$20.00 each
 - Replacement \$50.00 each (whether lost, stolen, or destroyed)
- > **Option 2** One *free* non-transferable to each property owner, \$20.00 for any additional; up to three.
 - Daily \$20.00 each
 - Replacement \$50.00 each (whether lost, stolen, or destroyed)

NOTE – only 2 transferable and 2 non-transferable purchases permitted for either option

Projected Expense

- Cost of Kiosk:
 - Year 1 -\$7,895 Includes Kiosk/software and training
 - Year 2 -\$45.00 per month
- > Cost of Seasonal Admin Asst \$4,737 (FY 18 actual cost)
 - Year 1 -\$4,737
 - Year 2 -\$4,737
- > Overall Cost of Change
 - Year 1 -\$ 3,158
 - > Year 2 + \$4,962

QUESTIONS?