



## ***Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives***

David Watkins, Chair

Terry Adams, Vice Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Place:** *This meeting was held remotely.*

The Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Watkins, Vice Chair Adams and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Grunberger, Moore, and Sandford. Excused was Rep. Gilbride. Also present was Frank Petise, Transportation, Traffic and Parking Bureau.

Chair Watkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Committee Action</b>
1. T31.002	REVIEW; Parking of Passenger Cars on Residential Streets by Commercial Enterprises and Their Customers and Employees. 01/05/22 – Submitted by Reps. Watkins and Sherwood 01/18/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0 02/22/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0 03/11/22 – Moved to Pending	Report Made

Chair Watkins explained that this item does not relate to commercial vehicles, it is meant to apply to cars, SUVs and pick-up trucks for private use. This seeks to address 3 problems 1) parking by employees of commercial enterprises on streets for the entire day; 2) small businesses which have customers who leave their cars anywhere; and 3) commercial enterprises such as auto repair shops and used car shops auto repair shops parking customers' cars on residential streets while awaiting service or pickup.

Mr. Petise explained that employees leaving vehicles on the street while working is challenging. They would have to work with zoning enforcement to see if the business is eligible to be there. There is currently no violation in place that would address this situation – time restrictions might work, but that might also impact residents if there is limited off street parking

Short term business violations, such as parking in front of a driveway is already a violation. The issue is getting enforcement there to address the violation

Business storing vehicles on the road presents challenges because the violation is tied to the license plate, so the owner is subject to the violation, rather than the

business owner. He has approached business owners, which seems to have addressed this problem.

Time restrictions are probably the best solution. Another option is residential parking on one side of the street and metered parking on the other. This needs to be evaluated in connection with the residential parking program.

Committee members discussed this item with Mr. Petise

- A residential parking program might solve this. Residents would have to request this. The neighborhood might not qualify
- Timed parking during business hours is an option; this would not require the approval of the business owners if there is already legal parking; but they would talk to the business owner to get their input
- The only jurisdiction the TTP Bureau currently has to issue permits currently is through the RPP or the beach permit program
- Timed parking may be the most feasible solution
- Could there be a temporary RPP to see if it solves the issue; this may be difficult because the problem area may be limited
- Any program needs to be not resource intensive
- The goal would be to address this situation wherever there are issues; but the times would be restricted to specific locations
- Timed parking in a residential area may antagonize residents who want to leave their vehicles on streets with limited parking
- Possibly meter parking could be combined with metered parking. Someone with a parking permit would not need to feed the meter. It is not clear that the technology is available to do this; residents don't always like the RPP
- It would be difficult to prove that a vehicle was not in the owner's control
- The current RPP program is based on households. There are situations in which a commercial business gets a pass. Typically, the RPP programs are not requested in areas with significant commercial use
- There are probably already enough tools available in the tool box to address this issue
- The TTP Bureau can come up with ways to address this issue under current rules and if need be, will present an ordinance

Chair Watkins adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Watkins, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).