

Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) Work Group



**Meeting 4: August 14, 2012
City Hall Room 2000
5:30 to 7:30 PM**



Agenda

1. Residential Parking Permit Program (Recap)
2. Citywide Employee Handicapped Parking Permit Program
3. Public Comment



Issues

1. Residential Parking

During certain times of the day there is not adequate parking for residents

2. Commuter/Employee Parking

Long-term parkers (employees/commuters) park on residential streets



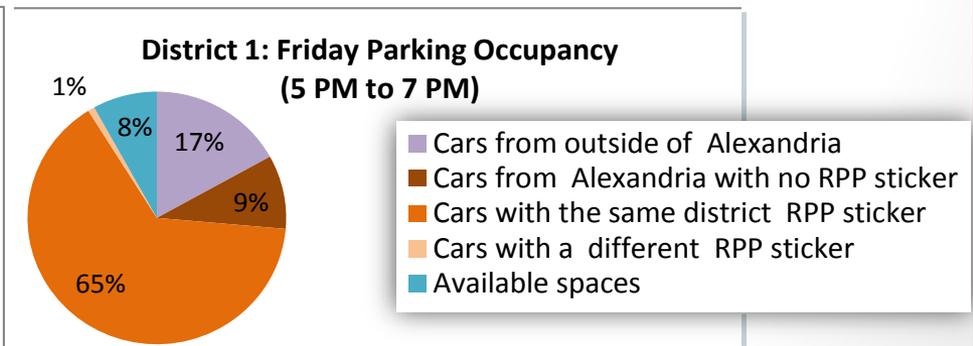
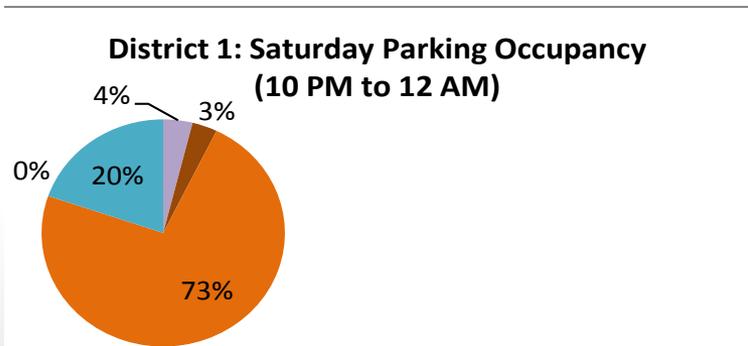
Guiding Principles

- ❑ Maintain a healthy balance between residential and visitor parking in each parking district which will vary depending on surrounding land uses
- ❑ Spillover effect of parking on adjacent streets should be taken into consideration
- ❑ Goal of 15% parking availability

District 1

- ✓ Don't take any action
- ✓ Increase enforcement

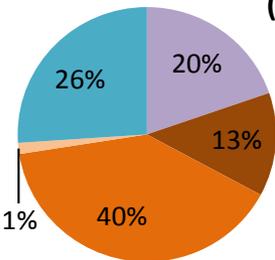
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- ❑ Install multispace meters on residential blocks
- ❑ Resident Only parking after 6 PM one side of the street
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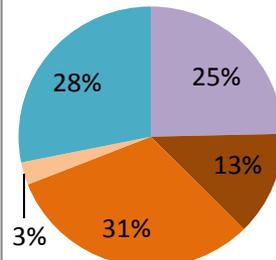
District 2

- ✓ Don't implement any of the proposed strategies and monitor parking utilization until the peak afternoon occupancy (5 to 7PM) reaches 85%
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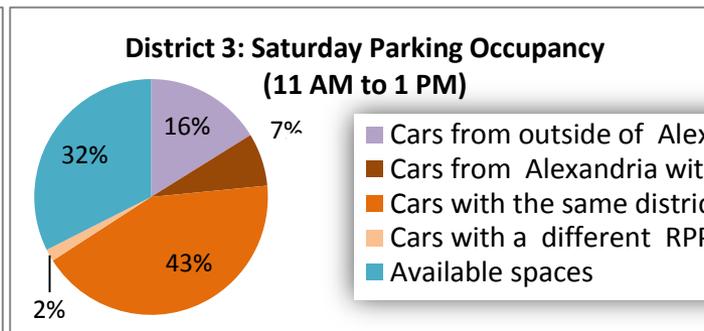
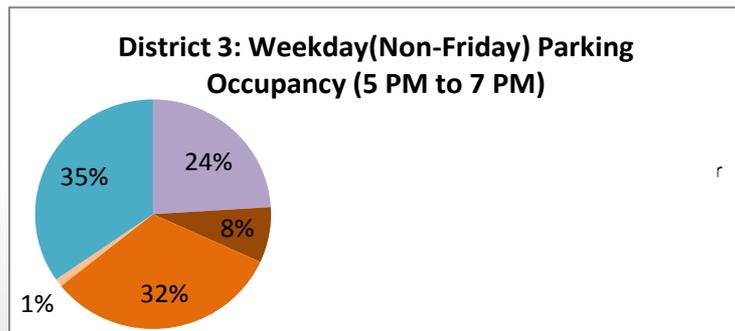
District 2: Friday Parking Occupancy (5 PM to 7 PM)



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- Cars from Alexandria with no RPP sticker
- Cars with the same district RPP sticker
- Cars with a different RPP sticker
- Available spaces

District 3

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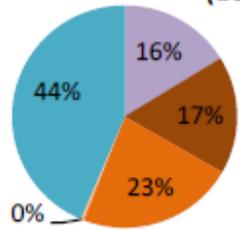


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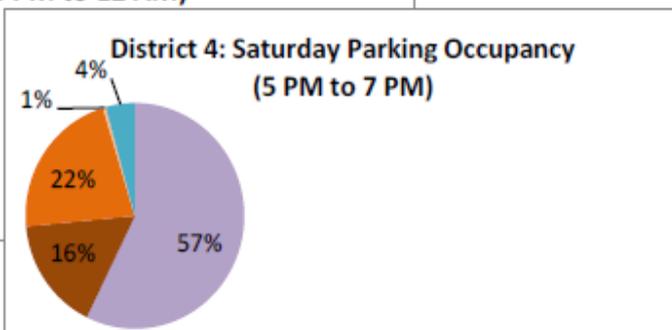
District 4

- ✓ Don't take any action
 - ✓ Staff to work with Alfred Street Church
 - ✓ Increase enforcement
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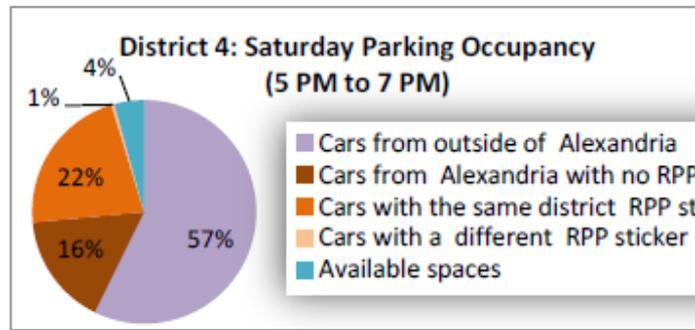
District 4: Saturday Parking Occupancy (10 PM to 12 AM)



District 4: Saturday Parking Occupancy (5 PM to 7 PM)



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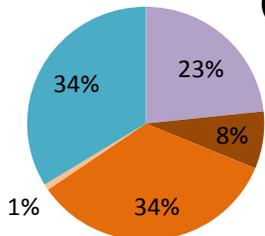


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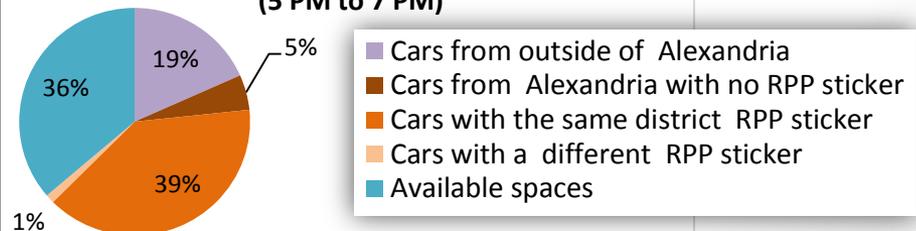
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Additional Items for Discussion

RPP Stickers

- ❑ Increase the RPP annual fee

Current Fees

- 1st vehicle: \$30
- 2nd vehicle: \$40
- 3rd vehicle and more: \$150 per vehicle

Proposed Fees

- 1st vehicle: \$50
- 2nd vehicle: \$100 per vehicle
- 3rd vehicle: \$200 per vehicle
- 4th vehicle: \$500 per vehicle

- ❑ Maximum of four permits per household

Additional Items for Discussion

Multispace Meters

- ❑ Consider installing multispace meters on residential blocks in short-term

OPTION A

- Wait until the overall occupancy rate per district reaches 85%
- Determine if less than 70% of parkers are RPP holders
- Install multispace meters **AND**
- Implement distance-based pricing structure

OPTION B

- Install multispace meters **AND** real-time demand pricing



Handicapped Permit Parking Pilot Background

- ❑ Current Handicapped Parking Policy
- ❑ All May Park All Must Pay Policy
 - Recommended by the Old Area Town Parking Study
 - Concerns from disabled community
 - Recommended by OTAPS Work Group
- ❑ **November 2010:**
 - Staff recommended “All May Park, All Must Pay” to Council
 - Council deferred and directed staff to further explore the proposed policy



Handicapped Permit Parking Pilot Background

□ **January 2011:**

- ACPD submitted a letter to oppose any modification to the code of Virginia **AND**
- asked Council to authorize a permit for handicapped employees that would allow them to park free for up to 12 hours

□ **March 2011:**

- City Council approved continuation of the City's existing parking policy
- Directed staff to develop a Pilot Employee Handicapped Permit Policy



Citywide Employee Handicapped Permit Parking Program

- Authorize a special permit for up to 12 hours per day of free parking for persons with disabilities who are employed in the City
- The expiration date should be printed on the permit
- Permit can be renewed up to 90 days prior to the expiration date printed on the permit
- Permit should cost a nominal annual fee that would cover the cost of administering the program



Eligibility Criteria

1. Proof of employment
2. Proof of car ownership
 - a. Current car registration **AND**
 - b. Current handicapped license plate or hangtag registration
3. Driver's license
4. Forms of Payment



What Happens Next:

- ❑ Recommendation from OTAPS Work Group
- ❑ Present the ordinance to Council
- ❑ Implement the new Citywide Handicapped Employee Permit Program
- ❑ Assess and report to Council



Questions/Comments



NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, AUGUST 28
5:30 to 7:30 PM, City Hall Room 2000

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