



City of Tacoma

Public Works Department
Engineering Division--Parking Services

Residential Parking Program

942 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402

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General Description

The purpose of the Residential Parking Program (RPP) is to alleviate constant levels of non-resident parking along streets in residential neighborhoods. While this program is expected to help manage a limited parking resource, it will not guarantee or assign specific spaces to households and their vehicles nor will it solve neighborhood nuisance and security issues. It is the City's goal that the regulation of parking through this RPP will be the least restrictive that best mitigates the documented problem.

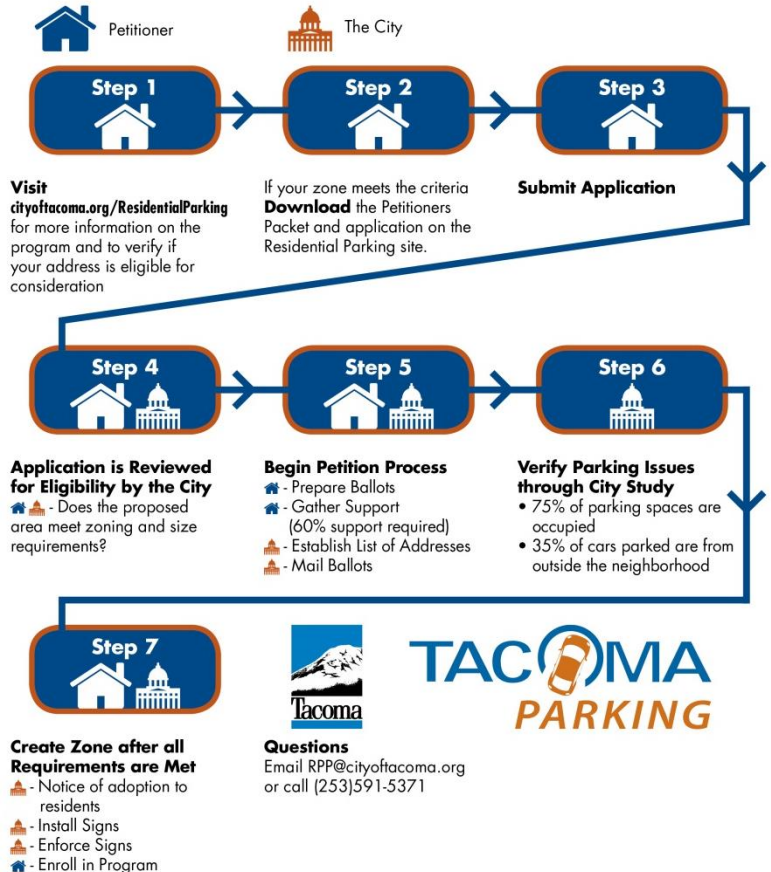
The process follows the general flowchart shown here:

The initial request for a Residential Parking Zone (RPZ) must originate from a resident or a property owner with an address in the proposed zone. The petitioner must be willing to:

- Be the person of record and act as the primary contact for the RPZ request
- Take on the responsibility for RPZ notifications; maintain outreach integrity and the compilation of evidence to support the RPZ should it be determined eligible for consideration as directed by City Staff.
- Serve as liaison for any community outreach within the boundaries of the requested RPZ and/or adjacent segments as directed by City Staff.

Residential Parking Program

Follow these steps to apply for a Residential Parking Zone in your neighborhood



If the request is found to be eligible, the petitioner will be responsible for gathering evidence of support using forms provided by City Staff.

The petitioner must acknowledge these responsibilities by signing the application.

Do not submit petitions or other evidence of support with your application. Petitions or letters of support gathered prior to the eligibility determinations will not be accepted.

Applications will be evaluated on a biannual schedule; however, the schedule and process do not preclude the installation of RPZ when and where it is deemed necessary outside the procedures of this program.

Eligibility for Consideration

Once a properly completed application has been received by the City’s Parking Services, the City will consider the following criteria when making a determination of the street’s eligibility for RPZ consideration:

- The street must be a public street with the meaning of state law and City of Tacoma Municipal code.
- The request must not be a duplicate request or overlap with any other active RPZ request or zone.
- The proposed street segment(s) for the RPZ are not regulated by existing parking regulations (i.e.: ADA stalls, bus loading, or other specific use designations.)
- Residential units along the requested street segment are not prevented from having direct access to the street. This includes, but is not limited to, cliffs or very steep hill faces, fencing, walls, dense vegetation, design of the building, and other similar barriers to access. Emergency exits, service entrances, and other similar building portals are not considered to provide direct access for the purposes of this policy.
- On-street parking along the street segment is not restricted due to safety, mobility, or security issues. A minimum of 4 contiguous block faces or 1100 linear feet of curb space.
- Any other factors the City determines to be criteria to the determination of eligibility.
- Eligibility is typically limited to the following Zoning Classifications and are subject to:

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R1: One Family Dwelling	R4L: Low Density Multiple Family
R2: One Family Dwelling	R5: Multiple Family Dwelling Dist.
R2-SRD: One Family Dwelling	URX: Townhomes
R3: Two Family Dwelling	NRX: Neighborhood Residential Mixed Use
R4: Multiple Family Dwelling	HMR-SRD: Historical MU Residential-S.R. District
A Minimum of 110 linear feet of curb space along residential frontage	
NCX: Neighborhood Commerical Mixed-Use District	
UCX: Urban Center Mixed-Use District	
RCX: Residential Commerical Mixed-Use District	
CCX: Community Commercial Mixed-Use District	
HMX: Hospital Medical Mixed-Use District	

Evidence of Support

There must be at least a 60% evidence of support for RPZ to further the review process. Evidence of support shall be collected using a standardized petition form provided by the City. Residents will have the option to specify that they support review, oppose review, or agree with the majority of other responders regarding review for RPZ. A statement of exception must be submitted by the petitioner explaining the absence of any property not so represented.

Parking Demand Verification

The need for the RPZ during the requested days and times of days will be validated with field observations by City Staff.

- At least 75% of all available legal parking spaces are occupied by a parked vehicle; and,
- At least 35% of all available legal parking spaces are occupied by commuter or non-resident vehicles.

If the parking issues indicated on the original application for an RPZ are verified by the results of the parking surveys then the request shall be eligible for further consideration of approval.

Once a request receives approval, City Staff will send a notification to all properties along the requested street segment announcing the approval of the RPZ request and the approximate date the parking restrictions will be installed. The letter will also include information about the program, enrollment for participation, purchasing RPP stickers and/or tags, and other pertinent information.





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Each application must contain the completed information indicated in both Part A and Part B. The application will be processed according to the policies and procedures for the Residential Parking Program in effect as of the date of the application.

Part A – Requested Street Information

Each application must include the name of the street to be considered for a Residential Parking Zone.

Requested Street(s):

From (Cross Street):

To (Cross Street):

Requested Restrictions by Days of Week and Times of Day:

Example:

Mon – Fri 7 AM to 5 PM

Sat 1 PM to 6 PM

Additional Notes:

Part B – Requester Information

I agree to be the requester of record for this application. I have read the policies and procedures governing the Residential Permit Parking Program and agree to carry out to the best of my abilities the duties and responsibilities associated with being the requester of record.

Printed Name:			
Address:			
City, State, ZIP:			
Daytime Phone:		E Mail:	
Signature:			Date: <input type="text"/>

