

MINUTES
Public Hearing of the College Park City Council
Tuesday, February 14, 2006
7:45 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Brayman; Councilmembers Milligan, Krouse, Catlin, Perry, Olson (arrived 7:50 p.m.), Fellows, and Hampton; Student Liaison Emily Guskin.

ABSENT: Councilmember Peña-Melnyk

ALSO PRESENT: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Sara Imhulse, Assistant to the City Manager; Bob Levan, City Attorney; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Jim Miller, Parking Enforcement Supervisor.

Mayor Brayman announced that this Public Hearing was being held to discuss the establishment of a new Residential Restricted Permit Parking Zone to include Lackawanna Street from 50th Avenue to Narragansett Parkway (on both sides of the street); Narragansett Parkway from Lackawanna Street to 52nd Avenue (on the Southwest Side of the Street); and 52nd Avenue from Kenesaw Street to Narragansett Parkway (on both sides of the street).

Mr. Ryan gave an overview of this project, starting with a parking survey in this neighborhood last August. Subsequently a petition was received. The survey results were reviewed and staff observed parking conditions in the area. Staff believes the proposed residential parking zone would benefit the residents.

Councilmember Perry asked if this is a new zone or an extension of an existing zone; Mr. Ryan explained this is a new zone.

Councilmember Krouse asked the classification of the zone; Mr. Miller replied this zone will be 2B.

Mayor Brayman invited public comment.

Barry Woody, 5103 Lackawanna Street: He generated the request for permit parking on his street, and brought photos to show the problem. He believes it is Metro commuters parking on his street and Narragansett Parkway that creates the problem. He favors this proposal.

Cynthia Ruff, 9603 52nd Avenue: Feels very strongly that the area should have permit parking. She frequently can't find parking near her home. Supports the proposal.

Ron Midkiff, 9609 52nd Avenue: Supports the proposal but believes the hours should be shortened. Had questions about visitor passes. Mr. Miller clarified that two visitor passes are issued to each resident in a permit zone.

There being no further public comment, the public hearing was declared closed at 7:58 p.m.

Janeen S. Miller, City Clerk