

MINUTES
Public Hearing of the College Park City Council
Tuesday, September 26, 2006 - 7:15 P.M.
Petition Request For Change Of Existing Permit Parking Restrictions
In the 5200 Block Of Edgewood Road

PRESENT: Mayor Brayman; Councilmembers Milligan, Krouse, Catlin, Perry, Fellows, and Hampton; Student Liaison Jesse Blitzstein.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Olson and Peña-Melnyk

ALSO PRESENT: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Sara Imhulse, Assistant to the City Manager; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services.

Mayor Brayman opened this Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m. He announced that this Public Hearing was being held to discuss the petition request for a change of the existing permit parking restrictions in the 5200 block of Edgewood Road.

Bob Ryan provided an introduction and stated that the residents of the 5200 block of Edgewood Road submitted a petition to change the existing restrictions on this block to 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 midnight Monday through Friday by permit only. 71% of the households in the affected area signed the petition for this request.

Lourene Miovski, 9818 53rd Avenue: She initiated the petition. The parking impedes the flow of traffic to and from Al-Huda school. The requested restrictions would help the situation. Thinks non-residents should be prevented from parking here to help the traffic going to Al-Huda.

Jack Robson, 4710 Harvard Road: He is opposed to permit parking. What about making one side of the road "No Parking" and one side Permit Parking. Where he lives, they always have trouble with cars passing each other.

Tom Bannister, 9818 53rd Avenue: This is a traffic flow problem and the suggested parking restrictions would help. He is not opposed to waiting to see what would happen if the Al-Huda mosque goes to two prayer services on Friday afternoon.

Habibah Taalibdin, 9811 53rd Avenue: She is opposed to the restriction on Edgewood Road. There is a similar situation on the church down the street on Sundays.

Vaqar Ahmed, 5028 Branchville Road: He is opposed to this restriction. The problem is only on Friday afternoons. Other churches have the same problem.

Mohammed Taluckder, 4714 Mangum Road: He is opposed to this restriction. Recommends the Council leave the parking the way it is for now. Keep in mind what is going on at other churches throughout the region.

There being no further public comment, the public hearing was closed at 8:10 p.m.

Janeen S. Miller, City Clerk