

Permit Parking Program Final Study and Recommended Implementation

Transportation and Public Works Committee
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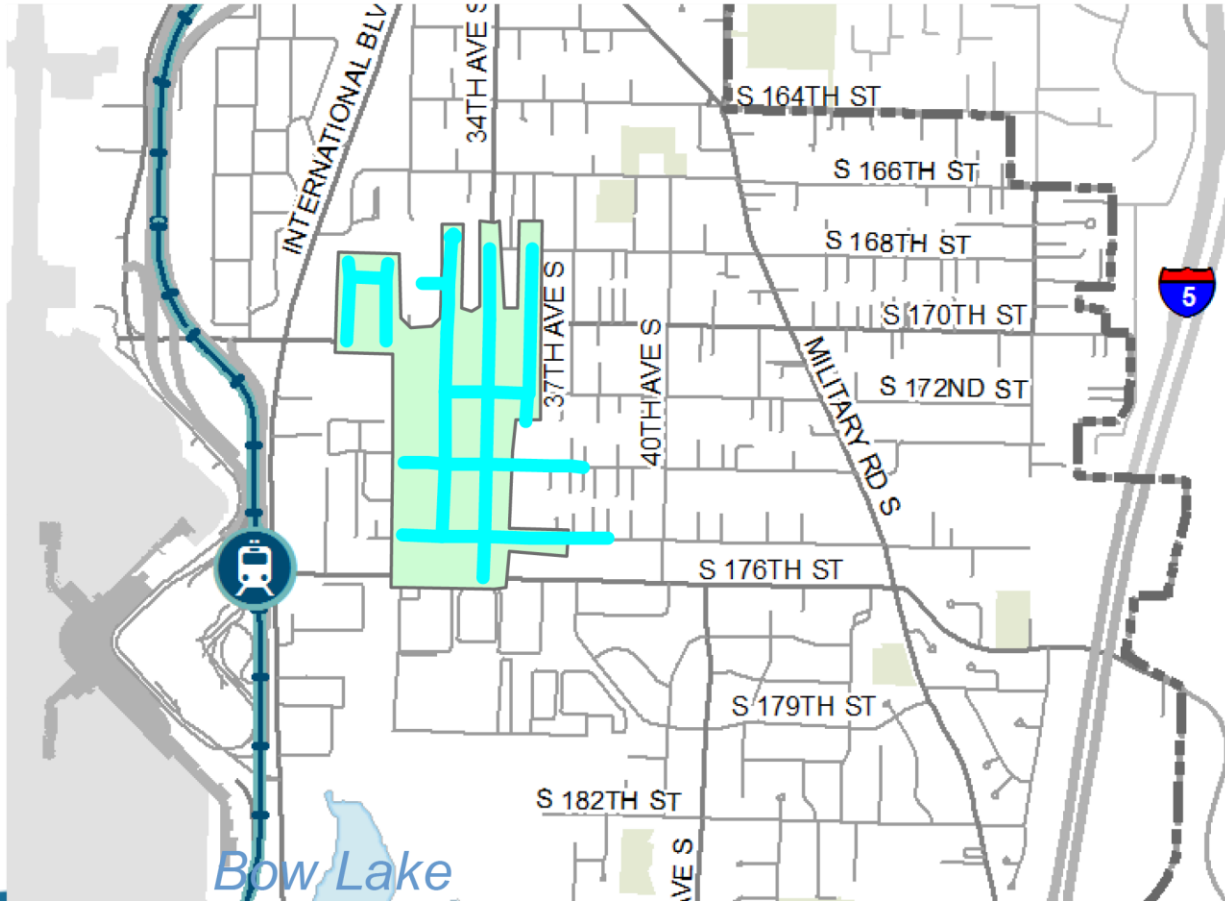
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Purpose


- To seek recommendation from T & PW Committee for Council to approve a final report for the Permit Parking Program and implement pilot project in McMicken Heights/Sue-Linda Neighborhood

Figure 23. McMicken Heights Residential Parking Zone Area



Affected
McMicken
Heights/Sue
Linda area


Background

- December 2009: Pedestrian Bridge across International Blvd opens
 - July 2013: Initial complaint received regarding parking in McMicken Heights area
 - August 2013 to August 2016: Ongoing meetings with community to understand and address parking problem in neighborhood
 - October 2016: Issue brought before Public, Safety and Justice Committee. Budget approved for development of Permit Parking Program (PPP)
 - December 2016: Budget for PPP approved in amount \$575K
 - June 2017: Council authorized contract with Transpo to conduct PPP Study with a recommended implementation plan
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Interim Actions/Considerations

Option	When Implemented	Effectiveness/Notes
No Parking from here to corner with tow away placards	October 2015	Improved line of sight at intersections. Enforcement and towing helped with compliance.
Increase parking fines to deter non-compliance	June 2015	Effectiveness varied but did not completely deter violators.
Emphasis police patrol	On-going	Varied, since most violators are new to the area it requires constant patrol
Education and Outreach to Port of Seattle and Airport Employers	On-going	Varied, constant outreach is required due to turnover in airport staff.
No-parking restrictions for street sweeping	Trial in May 2016	Not cost effective long term as a deterrent for long term parking.
Curb striping to restrict parking	Not implemented	This option was not implemented due to inconsistent curb types or no curb existed
Resident Only Parking signs	Not implemented	Signs are not enforceable in City ROW
Limited term parking restrictions (2-4 hour parking; specific time of day)	Not implemented	Affected residents' ability to park long term on street. If implemented, the restrictions would be applicable 24-hours due to work shifts at the airport. Resident focus group not supportive of this option.

Alternatives Assessment

- No Action/Current Enforcement (Cost neutral)
 - No change
 - Low Tech Enforcement (Est. Cost = \$220K upfront/\$164K annual)
 - Pros: Lower startup and operational costs; Addresses community needs; Expandable with additional costs
 - Cons: Labor intensive enforcement; Does not allow LCO for other duties as assigned
 - High Tech Enforcement (Est. Cost = \$308K upfront/\$207K annual)
 - Pros: Efficient use of staff allowing for LCOs to support Police in other ways during working day; Rapidly expandable at little cost; no additional staff
 - Cons: Higher upfront and annual costs
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Discussion

