

Update to Fairfax County's Resident Cut-Through Permit Program

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Background

2019

The General Assembly authorized Fairfax County to create a new resident permit program

January 2023

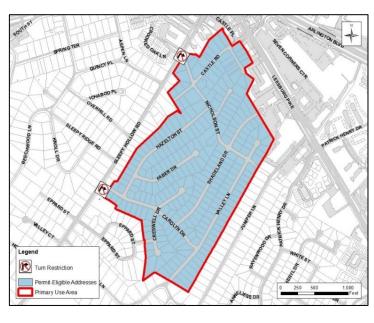
Staff provided a program overview

May 2023

- Proposed program policies and procedures
- Draft ordinance development

Program Policies and Procedures

Draft policies and procedures specify:



Proposed Permit Zone

Community eligibility

Process to Establish Permit Zones

Resident Eligibility and Application Procedures

Permit Fees and Annual Renewal

Permit Zone Establishment



Communities with <u>existing</u> restrictions request and receive a <u>petition</u>

 If 2/3^{rds} support, Board approves by Action Item



Communities seeking <u>new</u> cut-through restrictions vote on <u>voting ballot</u>

 If 2/3^{rds} support, Board approves by Action Item



Permit Zone is established only after VDOT has implemented cut-through restriction

Resident Permit Eligibility



Communities with <u>existing</u> cut-through restrictions

 Resident address listed on petition



Communities with <u>new</u> cut-through restrictions

Resident address received voting ballot



All permit applicants

- Proof of residence at eligible address
- Vehicles registered at residence address

Permit Rules and Administration

Residents would apply and pay for permits online, by mail, or in person

Temporary permits would be available for new residents and residents who purchase new vehicles

Full-time students and active-duty military members could receive permits without Virginia vehicle registration

Proof of residency at permit-eligible address required

Permit Renewal and Fees



Permits valid for 1 year



Residents must file renewal application and pay permit fee



Annual fee of \$25 per vehicle is proposed



Permit fee will be prorated quarterly

Regional Transportation Permit Fee Review

		Annual Permit Fee			
					4th or
		1st	2nd	3rd	more
Jurisdiction	Permit Type	permit	permit	permit	permits
Fairfax County	RPPD	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
City of Falls Church	RPPD	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Town of Herndon	RPPD	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5
Town of Leesburg	RPPD	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5
Loudoun County	RPPD	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10
Montgomery County, MD	RPPD	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
City of Manassas	RPPD	\$25	\$25	-	-
City of Alexandria	RPPD	\$40	\$50	\$150	\$150
Arlington County	RPPD	\$40	\$55	\$65	\$150
District of Columbia	RPPD	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$150
Average Fee for Resident Permits		\$24	\$31	\$44	\$61

Draft Ordinance Provisions

Details proper permit display

Codifies permit zone establishment



Sample Permit

Sets forth permit rules and administration

Codifies permit fee and quarterly proration amounts

Provides for enforcement and penalties



Proposed Program Needs, Timeline, and Resources

Program Needs	Timeline	Resources	
New permit software developed by 3 rd party contractor	12 months to complete software and initiate program	\$225,000 funding; FCDOT & DIT staff	
Permit design and materials, equipment procurement, and signage to initiate program	Concurrent with software development	\$45,000 funding	
	Total One Time Funding:	\$270,000	
Operational and maintenance expenses	Annually	\$45,000 funding	
New Transportation Planner II position	After program initiation; annual salary and benefits	≈\$140,000 funding	
	Total Recurring Funding:	≈\$185,000 per year	

^{*}Costs that may be incurred by FCPD for enforcement or DTA for revenue collection are not included.

Board Questions and Guidance



Does the Board support funding for initiation, recurring costs, and staff to operate this program?



Does the Board have any specific guidance regarding the potential implementation of this program?