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Subject: Zone K Scratch Parking Permits - City Sanctuary

Hello Terri Boyd for City Sanctuary

The Zone K Area Parking Permit Program Committee has reviewed the request from City Sanctuary for an exemption from the 50 (five books of ten) scratch ticket parking permit limit. We welcome your church to the neighborhood and hope that your outreach program has a positive impact on the homeless and disadvantaged. We welcome your congregation to Zone K for your Saturday services and meetings. However, the Zone K APPP Committee voted not to grant your organization an exemption to the scratch permit limit. These scratch off tickets were never intended to provide long term parking to regular visitors or members of an organization that meets regularly during weekdays or Saturdays. Liberal distribution of scratch parking permits result in a substantial increase in cars seeking long term parking on street. Turnover of the limited on street spaces is essential for multiple businesses and organizations to succeed and for spaces to be open for residents during the day.

The Zone K Area Permit Parking Program was established to limit commuter and long term parking within the K area. The two hour time limit for free parking is intended to encourage turnover of on street parking spaces to the benefit of businesses and residents, customers and visitors. Two hours is considered a reasonable time for visitor or customer activities, whether that be shopping, going out to eat, attending a church service, going to a meeting, or going to a movie, for example.

Annual permits are issued to businesses, residents, and employees to allow them access to limited on street parking space during the permit required hours (Monday through Saturday 7 am to 7 PM). Each address is also allowed to purchase one annual guest permit for visitors.

Two years ago the Portland Bureau of Transportation and the Zone K Committee added the single day scratch off tag permit to provide convenience for businesses or residents to use for occasional visitors, repair or improvement workers, or occasional meetings, gatherings or parties. These scratch off tickets are intended to provide convenient longer stay daytime or Saturday parking to occasional visitors. Turnover of the limited on street spaces is essential for multiple businesses and organizations to succeed and for spaces to open for residents during the day.

These Zone K policies are consistent with the Northwest District Plan for land use, which seek to limit large auto dependent growth and encourage development, businesses, and organizations that are pedestrian oriented. Organizations, that need long term parking for visitors or customers during the Monday to Saturday permit required times, should establish policies that encourage the use of public transportation, pedestrian, or non-motorized transport. Further, organizations should encourage their members and congregants, who insist on driving and require long term parking during the permit required times, to seek free parking out of the K APP or to find paid off street parking in the vicinity. The cost of providing weekday or Saturday long term parking needs to be borne by either organization or its' members as tends to be true throughout the central city.

The Zone K policy, announced by the Portland Bureau of Transportation, is in effect as of January 1, 2015 and limits to five the maximum number of permit books an address will be able to purchase in a permit year , August 1 to September 30th, for a total of 50 scratch single day permits. No exceptions to this policy are currently granted.

For the Zone K Committee
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