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Comments on item 14.B on the agenda for December 13, 2022:

All comments pertain to Attachment B, the recommendations table:

Category 2: an oversight or omission: There is no mention of guest permits ("hang tags"). We currently get 3 per address. These tags are used for workers and friends who drop by, often without notice. It would be logistically difficult and sometimes impossible to have to go to City Hall a day in advance to get a Temporary Parking Permit in those circumstances.

Category 3: The description of existing practices is wrong. All that is required is proof of current registration of the vehicle to the subject address. That is sensible for residential neighborhoods. It is vehicle parking being regulated, not people. The age restriction doesn't make sense. Drivers can be licensed at 16 and many people under 18 have a vehicle.

Categories 6 and 7: It is unclear who must pay the fees. For Category 7, it can be read that each residence would have to pay individually - a windfall for the consultants and grossly unfair to the residents. At the last council meeting when this was discussed either staff or the consultant said that nothing intrusive, specifically no on-site inspections, would be done. What work justifies this, or any, fee?

Category 7: Seems to say that if, for instance, part or all of a garage is being used for storage, the resident would be **ineligible** for a permit, not just subject to fees. That would place an extreme financial burden on residents who need both access to their vehicle and a place to store their belongings. If you have not priced self-storage units lately, a space the size of half a standard garage can easily run hundreds of dollars <u>permonth</u>.

Category 10: The justification of the permit fee is: "free permits would **not necessarily** improve parking availability". Not necessarily? That is really thin logic on which to tax residents. There is no mention of permits beyond 3 - it that the maximum to be allowed? It seems discriminatory to larger families and/or multi-generational households.

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In closing, from the Parking and Transportation Commission Meeting of September 1, 2022 forward, these changes were presented as necessary because some people were abusing the system. Instead of burdening the vast majority of the residents who comply with the program with new regulations and fees, why not weed out the abusers?

Please address these concerns during the meeting. I hope to attend via Zoom.

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