

Update from the Zone K Parking Committee

Hello Zone K Resident or Business parking permit holders

Demand for parking continues to grow within the Zone K Area Parking Permit Program, driven partially by increased residential construction. This chart shows permit trends over the last ten years:

Program Year	Residential Permits	Business Permits*	Guest Permits*	Total Permits
2010-11	156	515	80	751
2016-17	266	723	118	1107
2018-19	291	659	0	950

* Business Permits are issued based on 70% employee full time equivalent (FTE)

* Guest Permits were eliminated in 2017 but single day scratch off permits continue to be available (Limit 50 per year per address)

The Zone K Committee attempts to balance the interests of residents, businesses, employees, customers, and visitors in utilizing parking in our permit area.

As part of our effort to improve efficient use of available on street space, the Zone K committee initiated a complete physical inventory of the on-street parking space in Zone K (available on line at ParkingZoneK.com) in May, 2017. At that time, Zone K had 768 on street parking spaces with 576 spaces designated and signed Two Hour Visitor Parking except with Zone K Permit (2HR/ZK).

Over the last two years, working with the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT , we have been able to add 38 2HR/ZK spaces through over 25 sign changes on the streets of Zone K.

This additional Zone K Permit available space came from unregulated space or historically outdated Time Limit or No Parking spaces.

By communicating with nearby businesses, we were able to maintain or adjust Time Limit spaces (2 Hour Limit space to 15 Minute Limit) where more frequent turnover of cars was desirable.

Some existing No Parking space for which we requested signage change was turned down by PBOT for automobile, pedestrian, or bicycle safety reasons. We fully support their decisions.

New residential or commercial construction or street changes, like the new Flanders Crossing Bike and Pedestrian Bridge (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/transportation/article/708640>), scheduled for construction in 2020, will impact available on street parking space. We encourage Zone K stakeholders to monitor inventory on your block or in your travels through Zone K and relay suggestions to the Zone K Committee via our web site ParkingZoneK.com.

The Zone K Parking Committee is a volunteer group of residents, property owners, or employees who live or work in the Zone K parking area. We advise the City of Portland about parking issues in our neighborhood. We seek to eliminate commuter parking and limit long term on street car storage, and increase efficient use of on street parking spaces in the neighborhood. We also encourage the use of public transit and alternative transportation.

If you have comments or suggestions to improve our efforts, please reach out via our web site ParkingZoneK.com or through PBOT and the Area Parking Permit Administrator.

The Zone K Parking Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the Committee via the web site.

Sincerely
Zone K Area Parking Program Committee