

**CITY of ALBUQUERQUE  
TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL BILL NO.   R-21-144   ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**SPONSORED BY:   Isaac Benton**

**1   RESOLUTION**

**2   ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY HALT TO THE CREATION OF NEW  
3   RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT AREAS; DIRECTING THAT THE  
4   RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT AREA ESTABLISHED FOR THAT AREA OF  
5   TRELLIS DRIVE AND DECKER ROAD BETWEEN CAMPBELL ROAD AND  
6   CANDELARIA ROAD BE RESCINDED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS NEW  
7   EVALUATION CRITERIA CAN BE ESTABLISHED**

**8         WHEREAS, the City Traffic Code establishes certain limitations and criteria  
9   for stopping, standing, or parking within the City; and**

**10        WHEREAS, under certain circumstances parking may be limited or  
11   prohibited on certain city streets; and**

**12        WHEREAS, the Traffic Code, Section 8-5-1-4, provides that “residential  
13   permit parking area(s)” may be implemented pursuant to regulations  
14   established by the City; and**

**15        WHEREAS, this program can have the effect of limiting parking on certain  
16   city streets to only the residents of the respective areas; and**

**17        WHERAS, this program has historically been effective in helping to  
18   preserve limited on-street parking for area residents in high demand areas –  
19   such as those neighborhoods in close proximity to the University of New  
20   Mexico where a high demand exists with limited public parking availability;  
21   and**

**22        WHEREAS, this program can also be effective in other contexts, but in its  
23   present form, the Traffic Code lacks context or policy guidance for its  
24   implementation; and**

**25        WHEREAS, the availability of, or limitation on, on-street parking is closely  
26   associated with multiple policy goals of the city, including but not limited to**

1 economic development, support of commerce, and public access to recreation  
2 and community amenities; and

3 WHEREAS, given the relative importance of this issue, the Traffic Code  
4 should be revisited to potentially offer additional context and guidance for the  
5 implementation of the residential parking permit area program; and

6 WHEREAS, the program was recently utilized to limit parking on Trellis  
7 Drive NW and Decker Road NW, in close proximity to the Bosque public open  
8 space, when these streets have historically offered opportunities for the  
9 broader community to access and experience the recreational opportunities  
10 offered by the Bosque area to broader city; and

11 WHEREAS, these recent parking limitations established by the city  
12 demonstrate a need for the City to more publicly consider competing policy  
13 interests in establishing new such limitations.

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
15 ALBUQUERQUE:

16 SECTION 1. No new residential parking permit areas, as contemplated by  
17 ROA 1994 Section 8-5-1-4, shall be established until the City has enacted  
18 amendments to this Section of Traffic Code, or upon the expiration of six-  
19 months, whichever occurs sooner.

20 SECTION 2. The residential parking by permit area established for Trellis  
21 Drive and Decker Road, between Campbell Road and Candelaria Road is  
22 rescinded and will no longer be enforced, but may be evaluated anew in the  
23 future subject to the amendments to the traffic code contemplated in Section  
24 1, above.

25 SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,  
26 clause, word or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or  
27 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not  
28 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this resolution. The Council  
29 hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each section,  
30 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any  
31 provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

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