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Policy for Prohibition of On-Street Parking

Santa Rosa County recognizes that on-street parking on local roadways is a major concern to many of our citizens. It is understood that law enforcement has no authority to enforce "No Parking" restrictions unless the appropriate signage is posted.

Policy:

Under the appropriate circumstances, prohibition of on-street parking is a recognized and acceptable method of increasing overall public safety. Therefore, the Public Works Department intends to review all requests submitted by our citizens, homeowners' groups, and other organizations to determine if an appropriate course of action can be undertaken to prohibit on-street parking. If a course of action is proposed by the Public Works Department, it may or may not coincide with the requestors' desired measures. Under certain circumstances, no action by the County may be deemed the most appropriate action.

Requests to prohibit on-street parking will be taken and cataloged by Public Works staff. The particular street will be evaluated and appropriate next-steps will be conveyed to the requestor. Only streets maintained by the County will be considered.

The Public Works Department shall have the responsibility of determining what, if any, measures are deemed appropriate. If the street or portion there-of is deemed eligible for "No Parking" signage, the requestor will be notified of the measures approved and the area required to be covered. Requests may include the following variations or similar variations:

- No Parking at Any Time
- No Parking during Daylight Hours
- No Overnight Parking
- No Parking from (list a.m. or p.m. time) to (list a.m. or p.m. time)

If "No Parking" signage is recommended, the requestor must obtain signatures in support of the parking restriction from at least two-thirds of the affected property owners. One signature will be allowed for each property.

For liability reasons, the County will be responsible for the installation of all signage on the public roadways.

The County retains the right to remove or alter the measures without approval from the affected residents. This policy does not limit the County's authority to authorize parking restrictions without the petition process as deemed necessary.

Enforcement of parking restrictions is authorized by Florida Statutes which do not provide options or guidance for discretionary enforcement by law enforcement agencies.