

**PURCHASING -
PARKING
DEPARTMENT**

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Memo

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Carol M. Turner, CPPB, C.P.M.
Director of Procurement & Parking
Date: 1/13/2005
Re: Residential Permit Parking on Decatur Avenue

The residents of the North side of Decatur Avenue have requested that their side of the street be made a residential permit parking area. Attached please find correspondence from the residents discussing their concerns and problems with Delmarva Power Sports business on the corner of N. Division Street and Decatur Avenue.

Four residences are requesting this change. They are 643, 645, 647, and 649 Decatur Avenue. A map has been included for your information.

It is my recommendation to the Council to approve this request.


Carol M. Turner, CPPB, C.P.M.

Director of Procurement & Parking

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To: John Pick, City Administrator
From: Carol M. Turner, CPPB, C.P.M.
Director of Procurement & Parking
Date: 12/9/2004
Re: Residential Permit Parking on Decatur Avenue

The residents at 643, 645, 647, and 649 have requested to have residential permit parking. Based on their November 10, 2004 request, I visited the area. Attached please find a "map" of sorts.

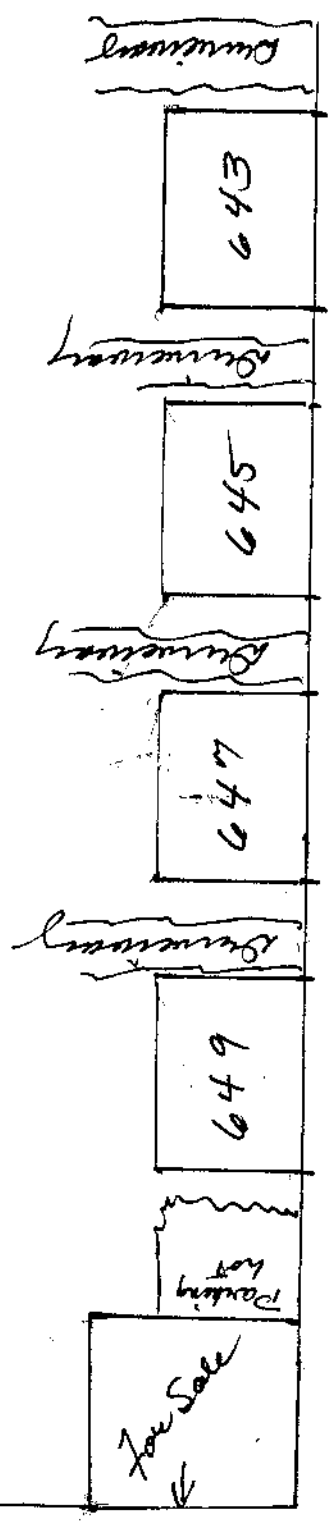
At the time of my visit, vehicles were parked up and down the opposite side of the street where Delmarva Power Sports is located. I can see where residents would have a difficult time exiting their driveways if a large truck were parked there. While Delmarva Power Sports does have some available parking in front of their store, some of the outside area that could be used for parking is being used for outside display of merchandise.

While I do believe that residential permit parking will not solve all the problems that these residents have with patrons of Delmarva Power Sports, I see no reason to deny the request of this neighborhood for residential permit parking on their side of Decatur Avenue. It would give the Police Department the needed restrictions and signage to be able to ticket those who parked in front of the residences.

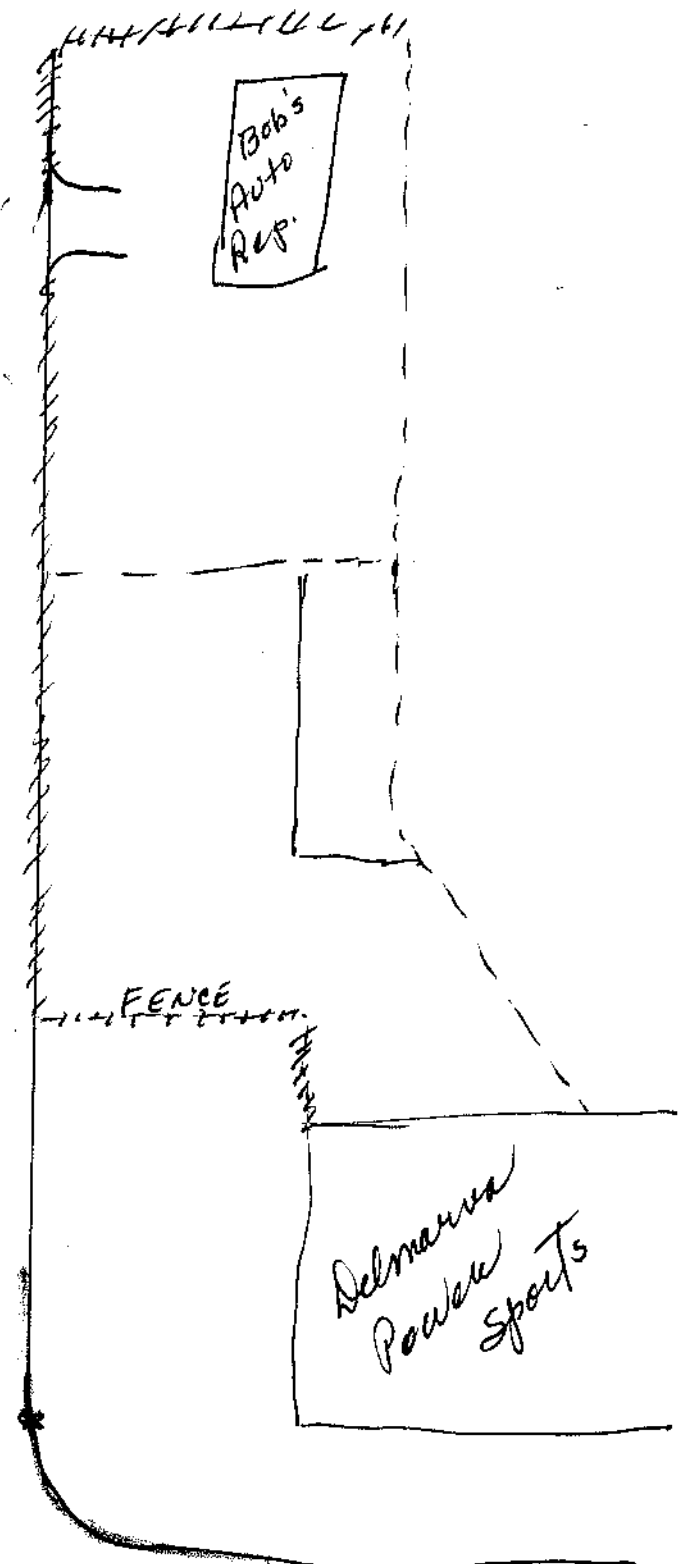
Please advise how you wish me to proceed.


Carol M. Turner, CPPB, C.P.M.

Director of Procurement & Parking



Decatur Ave



Division

November 10, 2004

Office of the Mayor
City of Salisbury
125 North Division Street
Salisbury, MD 21801-4940

Dear Mayor Tilghman and City Council,

We the residents/homeowners of 649, 645, 647 and 643 Decatur Avenue in Salisbury, MD 21804 formally make a request for residential parking permits to be issued for the front of our homes in compliance with Ordinance 1878 of the City Codes.

We would also request for no parking signs be posted at the appropriate distance before each corner at the west end of Decatur Avenue. Note: The corner adjacent to the Delmarva Power Sports is already painted yellow. However, vehicles continue to park and load/unload merchandise with skids in this zone blocking the fire hydrant and obstructing a driver's view despite several police warnings.

We make these requests due to the on-going parking problems arising from patrons of the Delmarva Power Sports, which is located on 1613 North Salisbury Blvd and Decatur Avenue. We have approached the owners of this business on numerous occasions about trailers, delivery trucks, eighteen wheelers and other vehicles blocking the road and parking too close to the corners of both side of the street making it virtually impossible to see approaching traffic. They have also been approached about the eighteen-wheelers parking in the middle of the road blocking traffic and blocking our driveways. The owners respond by literally laughing in our face.

We have spoken with Captain Ray Ulm, Major Livingston and Chief Webster about this on-going problem. We have also discussed our issues with our neighborhood association. With the holidays quickly approaching, we are concerned about experiencing the same havoc we did last year in regards to excessive traffic on our road and the above mentioned problems due to the patrons of the Delmarva Power Sports. We have many children in our neighborhood of various ages. With the amount of trailers, trucks, motorcycles etc. now coming in, out, up and down our street, and/or parking on the sidewalk, it is just a matter of time before a child gets seriously injured or even killed. This would be an absolute tragedy and one that could be avoided with the proper interventions and police patrols.

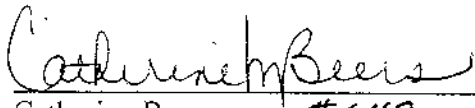
In addition to parking and excessive traffic problems, we also contend with numerous alarm calls and an extreme volume of noise occurring after regular business hours. Both perspective patrons and workers continue to test drive and race motorcycles up and down the road and rev engines in the early morning and late evening hours. Note: This business also repairs motorcycles, which partially accounts for the constant rev of engines in the shop and in the lot.

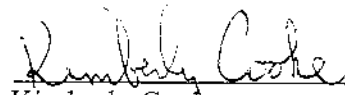
We have enclosed photographs of the problem areas in order for you to see the full scope of the problem. These photographs have been taken over the course of one year.

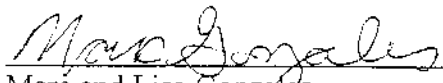
If you have additional suggestions or any other means to combat these problems, we would be more than happy to meet with you.

Thank you for your time.

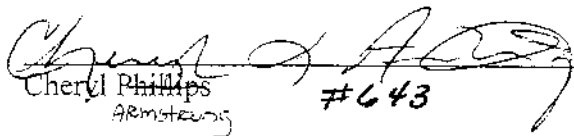
Respectfully Submitted,


Catherine Beers #649


Kimberly Cooke


Marc and Lisa Gonzales


Anthony and Karen Goodyear


Cheryl Phillips #643
ARMSTRONG

Cc: Captain Ray Ulm

RESOLUTION NO. 1187

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY
TO AUTHORIZE RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE
OF DECATUR AVENUE FROM NORTH DIVISION TO 643 DECATUR.

WHEREAS, Decatur Avenue is a residential neighborhood that borders Rt. 13, North
Division Street and the Delmarva Power Sports business; and

WHEREAS, customers at the Delmarva Power Sports business have created a hardship
for the residents on Decatur Avenue by parking their vehicles on both sides of the street resulting
in home owners being unable to park next to or near their residence or access their driveways;
and

WHEREAS the residents at 643, 645, 647, and 649 Decatur Avenue have expressed an
interest in creating residential permit parking on the North side of their street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Salisbury,
Maryland to provide residential permit parking on the North side of Decatur Avenue to include
643, 645, 647, and 649, and to affix signs stating, "RESIDENTAL PERMITI PARKING
ONLY."

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and read and passed at the regular meeting
of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on this 24th day of January, 2005, and is to become
effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Colegrove
CITY CLERK

Michael P. Dunn
CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED by me this _____
day of _____, 2005.

Barrie P. Tilghman
MAYOR, City of Salisbury