

## Staff Summary Report

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**Council Meeting Date:** 05-15-08

**Agenda Item Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Request approval of the City Manager's designation of Residential Permit Parking Area 11 to include portions of Farmer Avenue.

**DOCUMENT NAME:** 20080515PWJD03 **RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING (0503-19)**

**SUPPORTING DOCS:** No

**COMMENTS:** N/A

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**LEGAL REVIEW**

**AS TO FORM:** Teresa Voss, Assistant City Attorney (350-8814)

**FISCAL NOTE:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the City Council approves the City Manager's designation of Residential Permit Parking Area 11 to include portions of Farmer Avenue.

**ADDITIONAL INFO:** In accordance with Tempe City Code §§ 19-111 through 115, City Council approval of a Residential Permit Parking area is required.

The residents along Farmer Avenue have petitioned the city to study the area for Residential Permit Parking. The study area included the section of Farmer Avenue located south of University Drive and north of 13<sup>th</sup> Street. A study of the area found that parking in the area is significantly impacted by motor vehicles owned by nonresidents. In addition, it was determined that the east side of Farmer Avenue (currently restricted parking) could safely be converted to Permit Parking.

In addition to providing these properties with much needed parking, the affect of having additional parking on the street should have the affect of narrowing the street. Traffic studies have demonstrated that narrowing streets often results in decreased traffic speeds.

Residents were given two options for permit parking times: Option #1: 8 AM to 8 PM, Monday through Friday (except holidays). Option #2: 24-hour, Monday through Saturday (except holidays). The majority of responding properties were in support of Option #1.

The residents along Farmer Avenue were sent questionnaires to determine if they wanted to participate in a Residential Permit Parking Program.

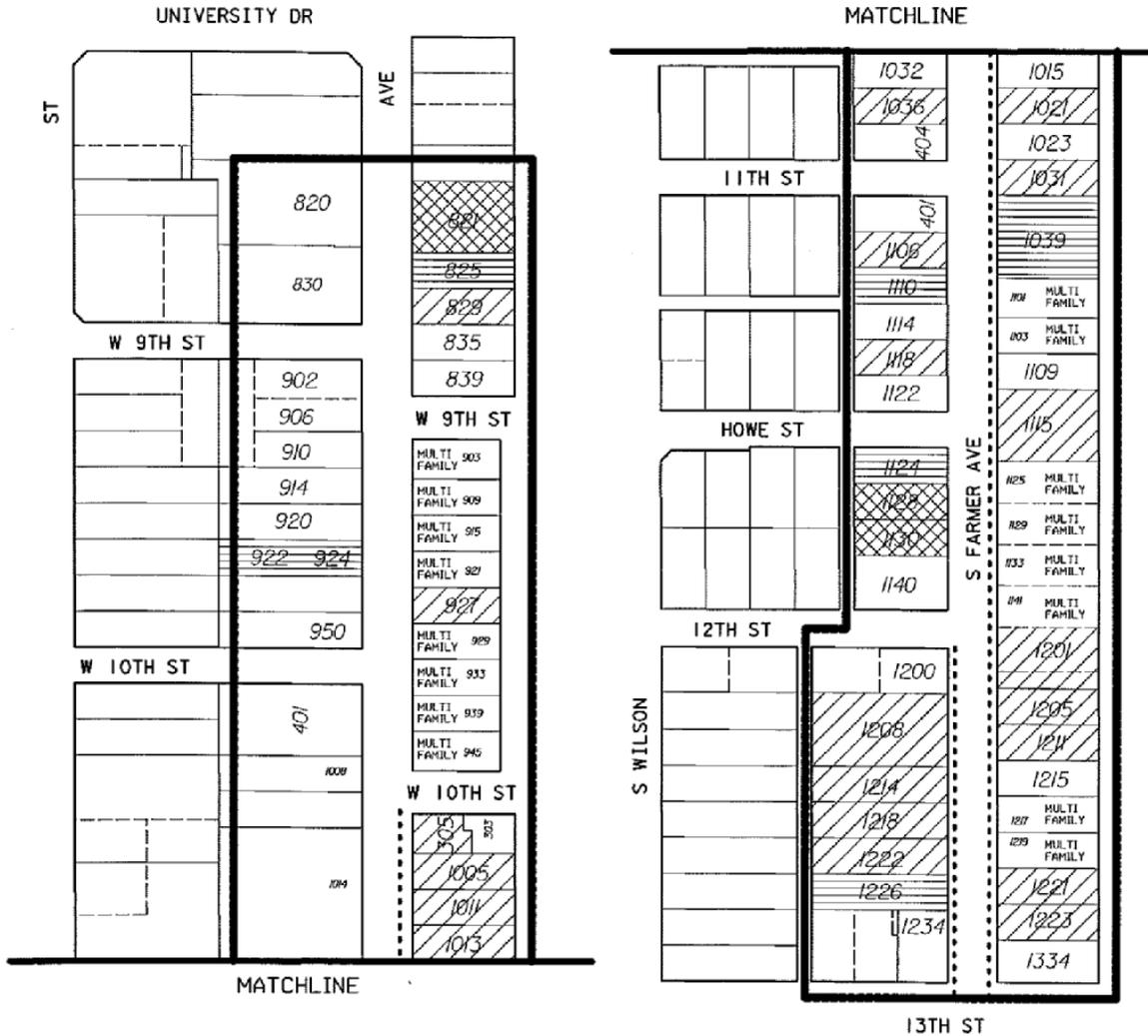
The following table shows the complete results. The percentages shown are based on the responses from eligible\* households. Each household was allowed a single response.

Street	Yes	No	Non-Responses	Vacant	Total
Farmer Ave, east side (north of 10 <sup>th</sup> Street)	2 (33%)	1	2	1	6
Farmer Ave, east side (south of 10 <sup>th</sup> Street)	12 (67%)	0	5	1	18
Farmer Ave, west side (north of 12 <sup>th</sup> Street)	3 (13%)	2	15	4	24
Farmer Ave, west side (south of 12 <sup>th</sup> Street)	7 (70%)	0	2	1	10

\*Eligible households did not include large multifamily units or multi-story apartment complexes.

Twelve (67%) of the 18 homes on the east side of Farmer Avenue, south of 10<sup>th</sup> Street support Permit Parking. In addition, seven (70%) of the ten homes on the west side of Farmer Avenue, south of 12<sup>th</sup> Street support Permit Parking. The majority of the “no response” homes have been identified as rental properties. The addition of Permit Parking will provide much needed parking for the residents of this area and could potentially have the additional benefit of slowing down drivers. It is recommended that Permit Parking be installed as shown on the map on the following page.

# RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING NEIGHBORHOOD REQUEST FOR NEW AREA 11



 PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING EXPANSION  
 NEW RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING RESTRICTIONS  
 YES      NO      VACANT

