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A Resolution Providing Direction to Staff Regarding Neighborhood Parking Permit Options for the Boulevard Neighborhood

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Strategic Plan goals: Reliable Infrastructure and Community Connectivity

CITY of DURANGO

Mission (Why we exist)
"We provide outstanding services and experiences for the entire community."

Vision (What we want to be)
"A multigenerational community which is authentic, diverse, engaged, thriving, and environmentally responsible."

Values (What we believe)
Teamwork | Dependability | Professionalism | Service
Respect | Innovation | Well-Being

Choose which Neighborhood Parking Permit (NPP) management strategy or strategies staff should further develop.



Neighborhood Parking Permit (NPP) Considerations

2022

City Council adopts Comprehensive Parking Management Plan.

NPP criteria and implementation process implemented.

2024

Boulevard residents request neighborhood permit consideration.

Public meeting and Engage Durango show limited support.

Sept. 15, 2026

Council directs staff to return with options. Direction tied to downtown parking supply concern related to City Hall/PD project.

Tonight

Policy choice before Council.

Select the management strategy staff should develop further.

If the City pursues an NPP, what level of management is appropriate?

2024 Engagement – Resident Meeting

67%
reported parking issue at their residence.

64%
reported being able to find a space within 2 blocks of their residence every day.



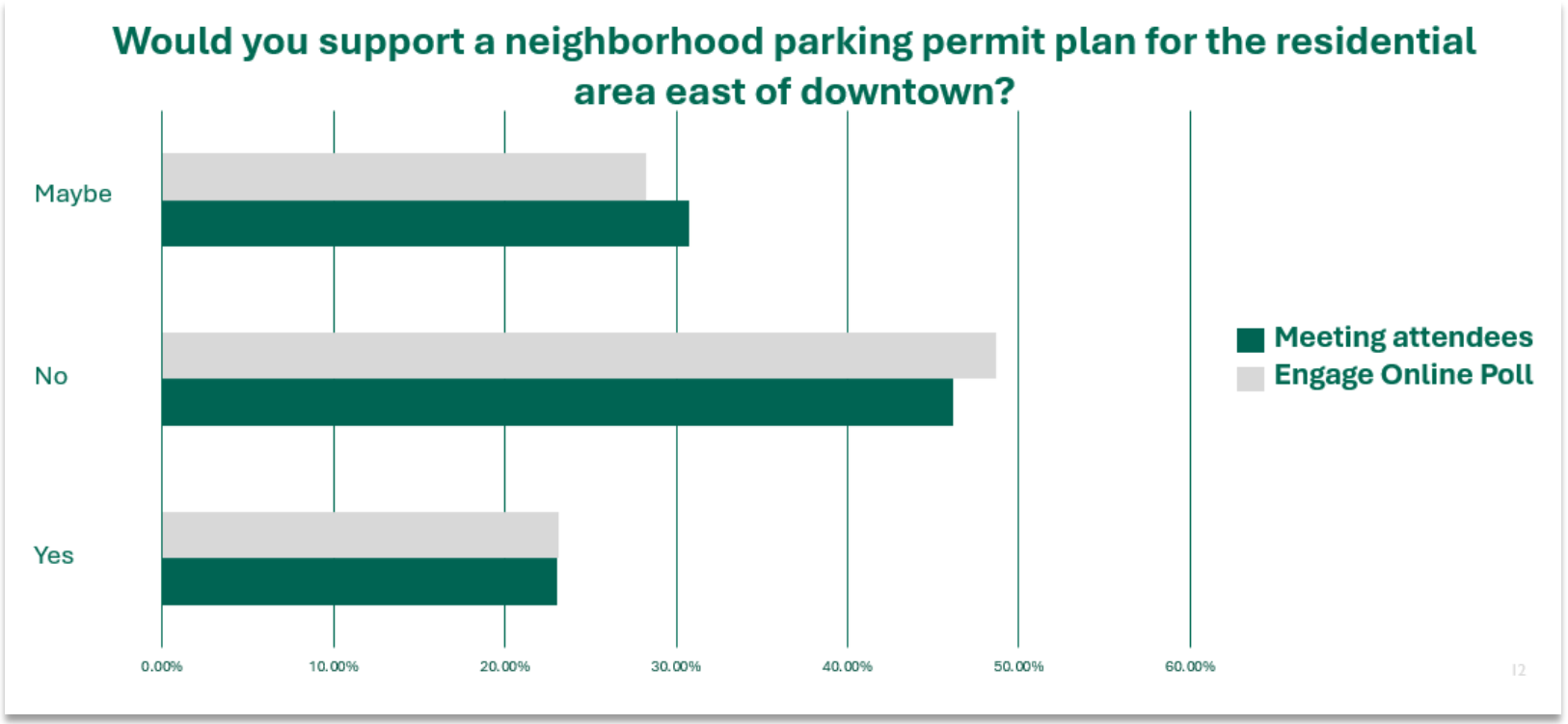
2024 Engagement Results – Do you support an NPP?

Resident Meeting

46% No
23% Yes
31% Maybe

Community-wide Poll

59% No
23% Yes
16% Maybe



2024 Engagement Results – Main concerns

- NPP prioritizes access but it does not guarantee a parking space for an individual resident
- Free parking options are important for locals and downtown employees
- Would just shift the problem somewhere else
- Cost to residents would be too high

Management Strategies

Each can be tailored through boundaries, hours, eligibility, pricing, and visitor provisions

1. Baseline

Keep current conditions: free parking available to residents and non-residents with no time restrictions.

2. Time-limits for non-residents

Residents receive permits with no time limit; non-residents may park free, but subject to time limits.

3. Non-resident permits

Residents receive permits; non-residents may purchase permits for restricted time frames.

4. Full resident zone

Parking in the permit zone is reserved for eligible residents, subject to program rules and visitor provisions.

More Public Access/Less Resident Priority → Less Public Access/More Resident Priority

Strategy	Neighborhood Outcomes					Program Costs and Tradeoffs				
	Resident Parking Access	Non-Resident Access	Parking Turnover/ Availability	Reduction in employee parking	Neighborhood Traffic / Spillover	Enforcement Complexity	Administrative Burden	Equitable Access / Affordability	Restrictiveness	Cost to implement
Baseline *Free Parking all day for residents and non-residents*	◐	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○
Time-limited non-resident parking + Resident Permit *Free non-resident parking restricted to time limits; no time limits for residents*	●	◐	●	◐	◐	●	◐	○	◐	◐
Non-Resident Permits + Resident Permits *Paid non-resident parking restricted to time limits; no time limits for residents*	●	◐	●	◐	●	●	●	◐	◐	●
Full Resident Permit Zone *No non-resident parking; resident parking only*	●	○	◐	●	●	◐	●	○	●	●

Impact: ○ Lower ◐ Moderate ● Higher

Program details that will be considered for each strategy

- **Who qualifies for permits?**
  Residents, renters, property owners, household vehicles, permit caps or waitlists
- **Who else needs access?**
  Guests, short-term rental guests, contractors, caregivers, deliveries, loading, construction and events
- **When and where does it apply?**
  Boundaries, days/hours, signage and boundary spillover
- **How is it enforced?**
  Frequency, technology, proactive vs complaint-based enforcement, citations and appeals
- **What does it cost?**
  Resident and non-resident fees, cost recovery, staffing, technology, and signage
- **How will we know it's working?**
  Occupancy, duration, employee parking, spillover, permits, enforcement, complaints and cost.

Key considerations

There is no strategy the reduces the number of vehicles parking.
Each strategy shifts who has access, when they have access, and at what cost.

Prioritize residents

How much priority should public curb space give to neighborhood residents?

Protect public access

How much existing free public parking should remain available to visitors and the broader community?

Address employee parking

How much relocation of downtown employees is necessary to achieve the desired neighborhood outcome?

Avoid spillover

What level of parking displacement and traffic circulation into adjacent areas is acceptable?

Keep it workable

What level of enforcement, administration and resident/visitor rules is reasonable for the City to operate?

Direction requested

Which management strategy or combination/modified strategy should staff further develop?

Following direction, staff will develop the selected approach in detail and return with proposed boundaries, eligibility, visitor rules, enforcement, pricing, fiscal/operational impacts, cost recovery pricing model, community engagement and an evaluation framework.

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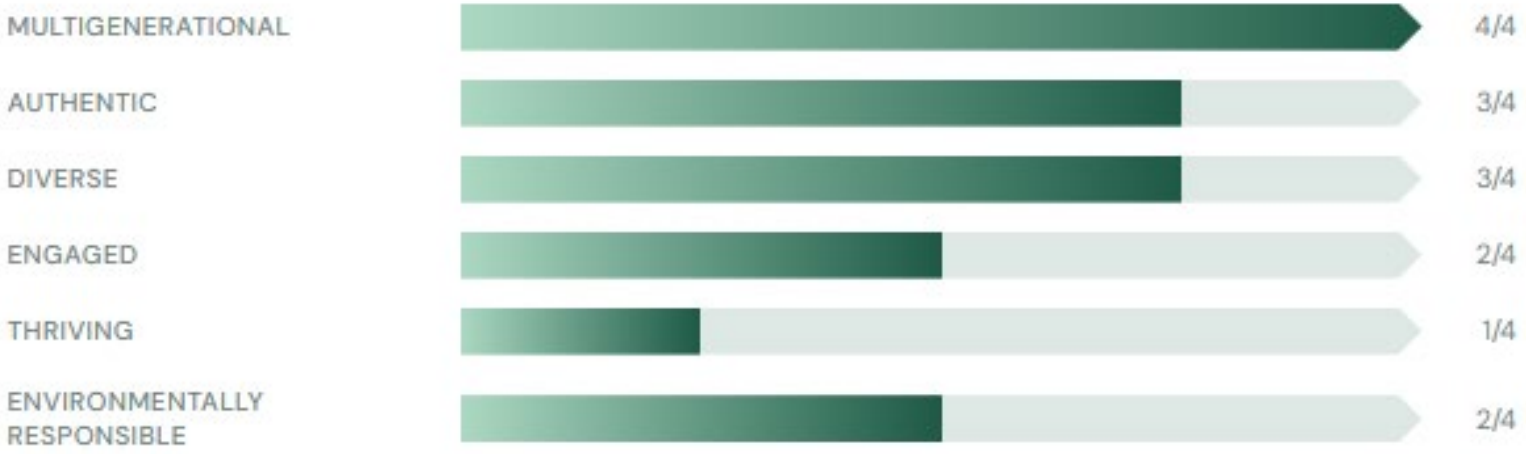
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Vision Advancement

Neighborhood Parking Permit Options for Boulevard Neighborhood

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Resolution Options:

1. Develop one of the four strategies.
2. Develop a combination or modified strategy.
3. Do not pursue an NPP at this time.

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"I move to approve Resolution R-2026-0092 providing direction to staff to further develop the following Neighborhood Parking Permit management strategy for the Boulevard neighborhood: *[insert option]*."