

Summary of Parking Issue Workshops

Three meetings were held to discuss the parking issues in Roxborough. The following is a summary of the issues and ideas that came from those meetings.

Most of the issues appear to be in the area from Greene Lane to Roxborough Ave and Ridge Ave to Silverwood St. with Green Lane, Lyceum Ave, Martin St., Roxborough Ave, Conarroe St. and Manayunk Ave being of particular concern.

The issues most sited are:

- Not being able to find a parking space either close to the house or on the block
- Cars that remain in a parking spot for long periods of time without moving
- Cars taking up too much space so that parking spaces are lost
- Parking too close to legal driveways
- Parking on the street when you have a driveway
- Parking on sidewalks
- Parking on sidewalks in front of frontloaded garage houses
- Commuters parking on the street from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays
- Parking more difficult on streets surrounding permitted streets
- For streets interested in permit parking getting condo owners and landlords to participate so the process can move forward
- Parking for visitors is difficult
- Illegally parked cars
- New development is putting pressure on street parking
- Access for fire trucks on narrow streets is difficult
- Enforcement
- Mass transit is not reliable and doesn't go to areas where people work especially the suburbs

Ideas to deal with issues are:

- Paint lines for parking
- Find and explore off street parking options eg. Municipal lot in front of Fairview Park at Manayunk Ave and Conarroe St. could be used for permit parking and help with the stress on the streets surrounding it.
- Look for partnerships with local businesses who have space that is under utilized for large blocks of time
- Design an area for permit parking so that it is not just a street by street development but a planned strategy
- Enforcement of the current parking regulations on a regular basis
- Explore diagonal parking on Lyceum Ave
- Promote Care Share options for the community
- Create a community awareness around parking specifically dealing with education of parking regulations and enforcement

Next Steps

The Committee will meet with officials of the community including the PPA, Police, Councilman and other stakeholders to talk about the issues, get their perspective on the issues and discuss what they think might work. The Committee will then report back to the community and work to develop a strategy.