



PROJECT BACKGROUND



Many northwest Bernal Heights residents have expressed concern about parking availability in the neighborhood. The fact that many homes do not have a garage, that there are no existing regulations and that some streets do not have street sweeping has made parking even harder for many.

Residents have petitioned the SFMTA to examine the possibility of using residential parking permit regulations (RPP) to better manage parking.

SFMTA STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Like many neighborhoods that petition for RPP regulations, northwest Bernal Heights often has more cars than available parking spaces.

The SFMTA conducted a study which showed that 59 percent of parked vehicles were registered to owners who did not live in the northwest Bernal Heights RPP area.

The neighborhood's parking availability is impacted by people coming from outside of the neighborhood, as well as the density of cars owned and parked on the street by residents. Given this situation, staff propose the following measures to help increase parking availability for residents:

1. One RPP permit per driver
2. Two RPP permits per household
3. Permits for medical care and child care providers do not count towards the two per address limit
4. Additional permits may be issued to an address if there is more than 20% parking availability in the immediate area and the permit is requested for additional licensed drivers in the household

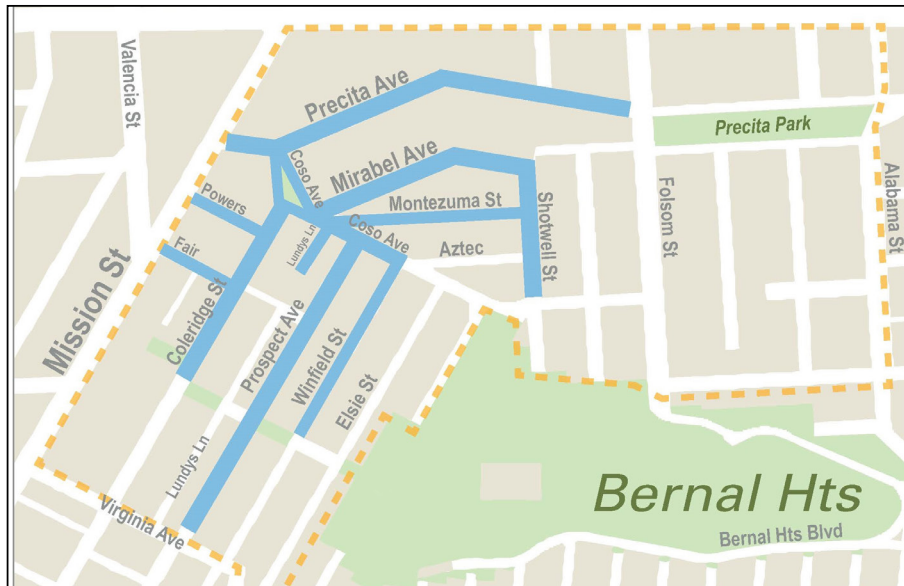
KEY FACTS

- RPP proposed for blocks where the majority of residents voted for it
- On the northwest Bernal Heights blocks proposed for RPP, 59% of vehicles parked are not registered to people who live on those streets
- In RPP areas citywide: 71% of households have 1 permit and 23% of households have 2 permits



PROPOSED RPP AREA AA

This map illustrates the planning area (in orange) and the blocks (in blue) where at least 50% of residents voted to become part of the proposed RPP area AA.



PROJECT OUTREACH & NEXT STEPS

- **June/July 2015** - SFMTA staff attend two community-organized meetings to provide general information about the RPP program and process.
- **Fall 2015** - The SFMTA creates and hosts an online survey where residents can vote for or against RPP on their street.
- **December 2016** - The SFMTA hosts a public meeting to share findings on parking in the neighborhood and possible next steps for the community.
- **April 2017** - The SFMTA presents RPP recommendations to neighbors and details the next steps for voting.
- **May 2017** - Residents can vote for or against RPP, with the modified policies on their block (as described on the reverse side).
- **Summer 2017** - SFMTA staff tabulate the responses and share them with the community.
- **Winter 2018** - The proposed RPP area will be brought to the SFMTA Board of Directors for approval.

DATA POINTS

- In the northwest Bernal Heights RPP planning area, there are approx. 1,900 housing units and approx. 1,400 on-street parking spaces (.76 spaces/unit)
- Responses to a city survey of northwest Bernal Heights found that 49% of respondents have access to off-street parking
- U.S. Census Tract data from the North Bernal area shows that:
 - 72% of households have 1 or 2 cars (n=2,295)
 - 19% of households have 0 cars (n=605)
 - 9% of households have 3 or more cars (n=294)