

To	Marchell Adams-David, City Manager
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Subject	ADA Parking Space – 100 Fayetteville Street

It is recommended that a designated ADA Parking Space be established along the east side of the 100 block of Fayetteville Street.

In February 2025, during Public Comment City Council heard from a concerned business owner, regarding concerns about accessibility for disabled guests visiting the corridor. In response, Transportation staff coordinated an on-site meeting with representatives from both the Transportation Department and the Downtown Raleigh Alliance to better understand the business owner's needs. Two key concerns were identified during the visit: the need for a designated ADA parking space adjacent to the business, and the need for a safe area guests could load and unload near the facility.

Following this meeting, Transportation staff conducted a comprehensive review of the area. Although an existing ADA space was identified on the southwest corner of Fayetteville and Hargett Streets (in front of the former CVS), staff determined that this location would present an undue hardship for Museum visitors due to its distance. As a result, staff recommends the establishment of a new designated ADA parking space on the 100 block of Fayetteville Street, at the northeast corner of its intersection with Hargett Street.

To address the second concern, staff reviewed nearby loading options and identified an existing shared-use zone on the south side of the 00 block of East Hargett Street, currently designated as a Commercial Loading Zone during the day and a Taxi Zone in the evening. Rather than remove additional on-street parking to create a new loading area, staff recommends modifying this existing zone to a 24/7 Mixed-Use Loading Zone. This change would preserve loading access for nearby businesses while also providing a convenient and accessible location for guests to the area.

All affected property owners including the concerned business owner were duly notified of this proposed change and provided two weeks to respond with any concerns. The business owner reached out and is fully supportive of staff's

proposal and was pleased with staff's willingness and desires to ensure accessibility to this corridor. No other responses were received.

The proposed parking restrictions would result in the modification of a standard Metered Parking Space to an ADA Accessible Parking Space, as well as the conversion of a Commercial Loading/Taxi Zone to a Mixed-Use Loading Zone. The proposed ADA parking space and revised loading zone will provide better accessibility to the corridor.

The proposed ADA Accessible space will be added to the City's newly launched IACCESS Life Survey Platform. This survey will allow users of this space to rate several aspects of the space including its placement, users' ability to safely access the sidewalk, and proximity to users end location.

Upon approval, the Traffic Schedule should be amended effective seven days after Council action.

Recommendation:

Approve and amend the following Traffic Schedule:

Remove from Traffic Schedule 20D (Two Hour Parking Meter Zones):

Fayetteville Street, east side, from Hargett Street, northward 155 feet. #677, 10/8/24

Remove from Traffic Schedule 22 (Taxi Zones):

Hargett Street, south side, 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., beginning at a point 150 feet west of Wilmington Street, westward 60 feet. #141, 01/09/13

Remove from Traffic Schedule 24 (Commercial Loading Zones):

Hargett Street, south side, 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., beginning at a point 150 feet west of Wilmington Street, westward 60 feet. #141, 01/09/13

Add to Traffic Schedule 13 (No Parking Zones):

Fayetteville Street, east side, from Hargett Street northward 34 feet.

Add to Traffic Schedule 20D (Two Hour Parking Meter Zones):

Fayetteville Street, east side, starting at a point 46 feet north of Hargett Street, northward 109 feet.

Add to Traffic Schedule 29 (Mixed Use Loading and Unloading Zones):

Hargett Street, south side, Monday to Sunday, all hours, starting at a point 42 feet east of Fayetteville Street, eastward 54 feet.

Add to Traffic Schedule 31A (Metered ADA Accessible Parking):

Fayetteville Street, east side, starting at a point 34 feet north of Hargett Street, northward 21 feet.

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