Resolution No. 2016-24

A Resolution to Deem a Certain Portion of William Penn Court as a No Parking Zone

WHEREAS, complaints have been received by City of New Castle Police authorities concerning public parking on the public right of way known as William Penn Court in the vicinity of the Rt. 9 intersection; and

WHEREAS, the specific complaint is that street parking on William Penn Court is obstructing the free flow of traffic, including vehicles entering and exiting private driveways; and

WHEREAS, New Castle Police authorities have examined the terrain and road conditions on William Penn Court, interviewed the complainant and other interested neighboring residents, and considered relevant portions of the Delaware State traffic law including the provisions of 21 Del. C. §4179(e)(16) which states, in pertinent part, "No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, including all state-owned and/or state leased property; in any of the following places...at any place where such parking, standing or stopping obstructs the free passage of other traffic"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of New Castle ("City Council") also understands that in the densely populated areas of the City that street parking by residents is often necessary and appropriate despite occasional inconvenience to vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, City Council acknowledges that parking restrictions on public rights of way must be evaluated on a case by case basis considering the facts and circumstances affecting public safety and convenience unique to each case.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council that the following described area in the City is deemed to be a "No Parking" zone and the City Administrator is directed to cause the curbing in the restricted areas to be painted yellow and/or to erect no parking signs at suitable locations in these areas as he deems appropriate:

1. That portion of the south side of William Penn Court, commencing at the entrance to William Penn Court on Rt. 9, and proceeding approximately 42 feet easterly on William Penn Court.

PASSED this 1st day of June, 2016.

Linda Ratchford, City Council President

John A. Di Mondi, Councilperson

Teel Petty, Councilperson

Theodore H. Megginson, Councilperson

Albert J. Vannucci, Jr., Councilperson

Attest:

Janet E. Wurtzel, City Clerk