Over-the-Rhine Community Council P.O. Box 662 Cincinnati OH 45201



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Dear Dan,

We are writing to provide the response of the Over-the-Rhine Community Council to the proposed changes to the residential parking permit map, implementing the changes that city council adopted regarding the creation of 200 flex spaces, to be taken from the 500 permit parking spaces.

Last month we asked that you include these suggestions regarding the flex spaces:

- 1. Have flex spaces on Clay Street from 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>
- 2. Have one side of Magnolia as flex spaces.
- 3. All of 15<sup>th</sup> Street between Elm and Central Parkway can be flex spaces.
- 4. Republic from 14<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> should **not** be flex spaces
- 5. Some accommodation needs to be made for service and repair personnel (e.g., plumbers) who come to make quick repairs at residences and businesses.

We were pleased to see that the Republic Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Street recommendations are part of your plan, but remain concerned that you did not include our other proposals.

We still believe that it is important to include Clay Street from 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> as flex since the nearby neighbors have off-street parking and this area remains unused much of the time. We have heard from businesses that it would be a valuable area for workers to park and residents who receive services would like a place for the providers to park.

We note that Magnolia is different from some other streets because it has three multi-family buildings without parking and two transitional housing multiunit buildings with limited parking. For this reason, we recommend that only one side of the street is flex.

In addition, we note that 14<sup>th</sup> Street between Main and Sycamore is not included as flex. We have heard from businesses on that street that parking is needed during the day. To our knowledge, there are no residents on that street. We recommend that all of the residential parking on that block be shifted to flex.

We hope that you are able to incorporate these suggestions in your design of the final revised permitparking program. We look forward to your next update.

Cordially,

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/s/ Maurice Wagoner President