

**TRANSIT & PARKING COMMISSION COVER SHEET**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b> F.1.	<b>MEETING DATE</b> Oct. 25, 2005
<b>ITEM</b> Ordinance to unify parking regulations for City parks under one section number and to add parking regulations for Henry Vilas Park	
<b>ID Number</b> 01865	<b>Council report back due date:</b> Nov. 8, 2005
<b>OTHER REFERRALS AND ACTIONS TAKEN TO DATE: (Asterisk indicates lead agency.)</b> *Board of Park Commissioners	
<b>STAFF DISCUSSION OF ITEM:</b> This ordinance amendment prohibits vehicles from parking in any Henry Vilas Park and Zoo parking lot for more than 3 hours between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Parks Division notes that all of the Vilas Park lots fill up by 9 am on weekdays, mostly with commuters avoiding parking fees or citations.	
<b>FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:</b> Minimal increase in parking citation revenues. Parks Division employees can enforce the lots on Park property.	
<b>MATERIALS PRESENTED WITH ITEM:</b> Proposed ordinance amendment	
<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:</b> The parking data from the zoo has not been independently verified by Parking personnel, however we expect their observations are correct. Commuters are filling up the park lots on weekdays, making parking difficult for park users.  The commuters who are currently parking at Vilas Park and who will be displaced by this new restriction are expected to find alternative locations to park. This may include nearby neighborhood streets, which may put more parking pressure on this area. Increased enforcement will be helpful in preventing this from occurring.  Staff recommends approval of this ordinance amendment.	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> William Knobeloch Parking Operations Manager	<b>SIGNED</b>  David C. Dyer, City Traffic Engineer

c: Ald. Isadore Knox, Jr., District 13