

## On-street Parking

City of Cumberland

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## On-Street Parking Problem

- Streets are being used to store vehicles
  - Vehicles without expired tags can be addressed
  - Vehicles with current tags but inoperable or otherwise used for permanent storage cannot be acted upon.



## On-Street Parking Problem

- leads to presence of poorly maintained, abandoned or suspicious vehicles on street.
- leads to fewer spaces available for neighborhood residents.
- leads to difficulties in snow removal.



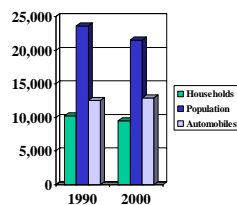
## Information on Scope of Problem

- **Foot patrols.** Police officer suggested that this would be useful measure but city code does not provide for it. Suggested that we adopt an ordinance like Frostburg and other cities.
- **Constituents.** Multiple complaints from city residents concerning lack of on-street parking.
  - In one situation, a vehicle was being parked for storage on different side of town than where the person resided.
- **Towed vehicles.** Several during 2002 winter storm and two during 2003 winter storm (Mechanic and Centre).



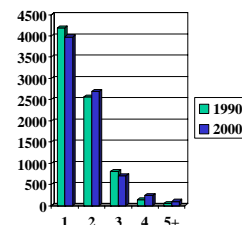
## Statistics—Households and Population

- Population dropped from 23,706 to 21,518 (-9%) and households dropped from 10,266 to 9,538 (-7%).



## Statistics--Automobiles

- Total number of automobiles increased from an estimated 12,556 in 1990 to an estimated 12,932 in 2000 (+3.0%).



## Maryland Municipalities

- “No vehicle shall be permitted to stand more than 48 hours continuously in the same location.”

Annapolis	48 hours (applies only to non-residents)
Baltimore	48 hours
Frederick	48 hours
Frostburg	48 hours
Gaithersburg	48 hours
Hagerstown	48 hours
Rockville	Residential permit system in some areas
Salisbury	

## Proposed Language

- No automobile or vehicle of any description shall be parked and/or left unattended upon any street, highway, alley or public place in the City for a continuous period longer than \_\_ [Insert here].
  - Exception for vehicles with disabled person registration plates