



PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION

regarding

**CITY-OWNED PARKING GARAGE MANAGEMENT
FOR
OLD PASADENA PARKING GARAGES
BY
OLD PASADENA MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

Prepared For:

CITY OF PASADENA

CITY COUNCIL

Submitted by

OLD PASADENA PARKING METER ZONE ADVISORY COMMISSION

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SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION
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RECOMMENDATION

It is the desire of the **Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission (OPPMZAC)** that the City Council authorize the OPPMZAC to continue to be the public body that oversees the management of the three parking structures in Old Pasadena. We also recommend that the contract being proposed between the City of Pasadena and the Old Pasadena Management District be approved.

BACKGROUND

Historically the OPPMZAC has been the public body overseeing all parking inventory within the Parking Meter Zone. It is the Commission's responsibility to review budgets, revenues and expenses and proposals by the city and make recommendations to City Council. This has included the parking structures, parking meters, valet operations, surface lots, Zoning Parking Credits and various other parking issues that have come up over the years.

The Old Pasadena Management District is a private non-profit organization; we feel it is vitally important to continue to have public commission oversight by the OPPMZAC.

On December 9, 2002, the city staff made a recommendation to the City Council regarding the approval of an Agreement with the Old Pasadena Management District for the management of the three city parking structures in Old Pasadena. Within that recommendation, the city staff suggested that "the City Attorney be directed to modify Title II of the Municipal Code to reflect that so long as this management agreement is in place, the Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission will not have oversight responsibilities of the Old Pasadena garages." **This sentence was added by city staff after the commissioner's review and approval and was not included in the document approved by the Commission.**

There has been some discussion recently regarding the purpose of the OPPMZAC. We feel that continuing oversight by the Advisory Commission of all parking issues within the Parking Meter Zone--not just of the parking meters as is being suggested by the city staff--will help to form a cohesive strategy for parking in the area, and is therefore in the public interest.

According to Section 2.98.110 of Pasadena Ordinance No. 6551, the purpose of the commission is to:

- A Recommend to the City Council the priority expenditures of net revenues from the parking meters within the parking meter zone for street and parking related expenditures which regulate and control traffic and parking within the parking meter zone and its surrounding area.
- B. Study and examine any other parking related issues referred to it by the city council or by the Director of Public Works and Transportation, which may include, but without limitation, proposed changes and amendments to the parking meter rates."

Respectfully submitted,

 - Vice Chair
Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission