

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 18, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: EXPANDING OF RESIDENTIAL PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING DISTRICT (DISTRICT "A") WITHIN WHICH PREFERENTIAL PARKING PRIVILEGES WOULD BE GRANTED TO RESIDENTS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Approve the expansion of the residential preferential permit parking district (District "A") to include the following street:
 - a. Both sides of Locust Street between Hill Avenue to Sierra Bonita Avenue
2. Acknowledge this project to be categorically exempted under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, pursuant to Section 15301 Existing Facilities, and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

BACKGROUND

The City Council adopted the Preferential Permit Parking (PPP) program on August 9, 2004 to protect on-street parking in neighborhoods from spill-over parking from nearby non-residential uses, such as transit stations, schools, businesses, and churches. The PPP provides permits to households in the designated districts that allow residents and their visitors to park on-street independent of the posted time limits and tow-away regulations. On December 4, 2006 the Council adopted amendments to the Procedures for Establishing Preferential Permit Parking Program (PPP) which included a provision for expanding the boundary of an existing PPP district that required a simple majority of written support (51%) of abutting residents on streets immediately outside of an existing PPP district boundary to allow DOT staff to investigate expansion of the district.

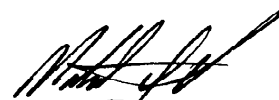
District "A" was established to protect neighborhood parking from commuters at the Allen Station of the Metro Gold Line. Residents on Locust Street west of Sierra Bonita Avenue, which is adjacent to District "A", expressed a desire to be incorporated into District "A." On January 11, 2009, the Department of Transportation received petitions requesting the change in District "A" boundaries from 44 out of 65 (67.7%) of the residents of parcels abutting the segment of Locust Street.

In accordance with the Procedures for Establishing Preferential Permit Parking, staff has conducted several field observations and verified that the majority of vehicles parked on this segment of Locust Street were destined to the MTA Gold Line or Pasadena City College campus. Staff suggested an interim measure of time-limit parking; however, this was deemed unacceptable to the residents. To permanently resolve this parking situation, staff is recommending expanding the existing District "A" boundary by including both sides of Locust Street between Hill Avenue and Sierra Bonita Avenue.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost for sign fabrication and initial permits (approx. \$1,000) for the eligible street segment in the future will be funded through the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) in the Capital Improvement Program (Project Number 75210).

Respectfully submitted:



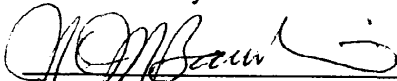
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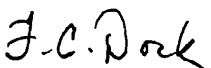
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