

Agenda Report

TO: City Council

DATE: December 18, 2006

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: EXPANDING THE EXISTING PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT (DISTRICT "C") WITHIN WHICH PREFERENTIAL PARKING PRIVILEGES WOULD BE GRANTED TO RESIDENTS

RECOMMENDATION

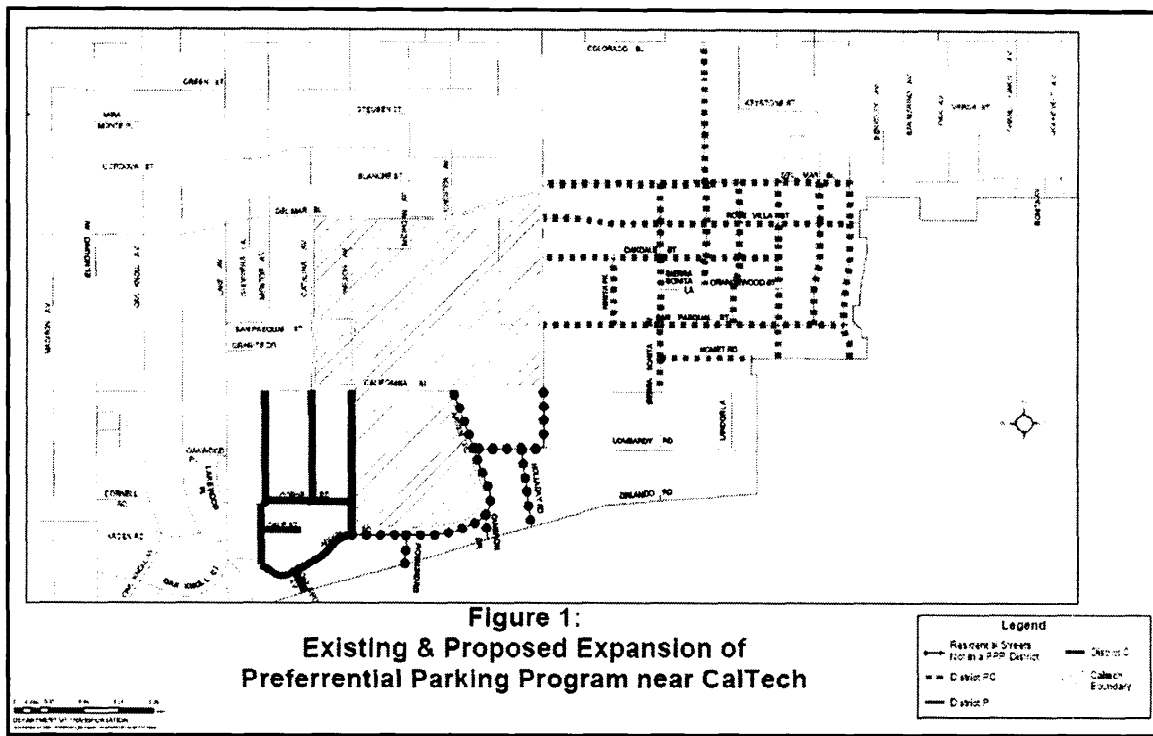
It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Adopt the Resolution that expands the existing residential Preferential Parking Program district (District "C").
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 (Attachment 1) with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

BACKGROUND

On December 4, 2006 the Council adopted amendments to the *Procedures for Establishing Preferential Permit Parking Program* which includes a provision for expanding the boundary of an existing PPP district.

The California Institute of Technology (Caltech) constructed a new parking structure in 2005 as part of its previously approved Master Plan. While the school meets the code required overall parking spaces, its newly instituted fee-based parking management had caused a significant parking intrusion on unrestricted residential streets, such as Arden Road between Wilson Avenue and Rosalind Road, and Holladay Road south of Lombardy Road.



**Figure 1: Proposed Expansion of District "C"
(See Attachment 2 for Full-side Image)**

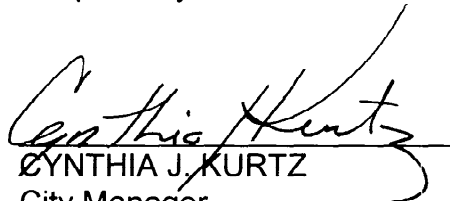
Staff has conducted several field observations and verified that the majority of vehicles parked on these residential streets were destined to the Caltech campus. To permanently resolve this parking situation south of Caltech, staff is recommending expanding the existing District "C" boundary by including the following streets:

1. Both sides of Arden Road between Wilson Avenue and California Boulevard;
2. Both sides of Rosalind Road between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
3. Both sides of Cameron Drive between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
4. Both sides of Holladay Road between Lombardy Road and the south City Limit; and
5. Both sides of Lombardy Road between Arden Road and Hill Avenue.

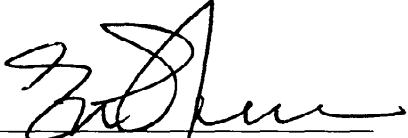
FISCAL IMPACT

The cost for sign fabrication and initial permits for each eligible street segment in the future will be funded through the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) in the Capital Improvement Program.

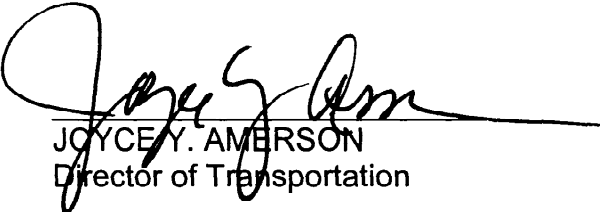
Respectfully submitted,


CYNTHIA J. KURTZ
City Manager

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Transportation Planning & Development
Manager

Approved by:


JOYCE Y. AMERSON
Director of Transportation

Attachment 1: CEQA forms

Attachment 2: Existing & Proposed Expansion of District "C" Boundary (full-size)

**Attachment 1:
CEQA forms**

CITY OF PASADENA
Chapter 1 NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To:
Los Angeles County Clerk
Business Filing & Registration
12400 E Imperial Hwy Rm 1101
Norwalk CA 90650

From:
City of Pasadena
Department of Transportation
221 E. Walnut St., #210
Pasadena, California 91101

PROJECT TITLE:

Expansion of an Existing Preferential Permit Parking (PPP) District Boundary

PROJECT ADDRESS:

1. Both sides of Arden Road between Wilson Avenue and California Boulevard;
2. Both sides of Rosalind Road between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
3. Both sides of Cameron Drive between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
4. Both sides of Holladay Road between Lombardy Road and the south City Limit; and
5. Both sides of Lombardy Road between Arden Road and Hill Avenue.

PROJECT CITY: Pasadena **PROJECT COUNTY:** Los Angeles

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

This program intends to protect residents from non-local users regularly occupying the majority of available on-street parking spaces in a residential neighborhood. The residents who live within the District will be benefited from the protective measure.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT:

City of Pasadena

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT:

Lead Department: Department of Transportation
Contact Person: Eric C. Shen, Transportation Planning & Development Manager

Exempt Status (Check one):

- Ministerial (CEQA Sec. 21080(b)(1);(CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15268)
 Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
 Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269)(b)(c))
 Categorical Exemption. California Administrative Code Title 14 Chapter 3 sec. 15301(c),
 General Rule CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15061 (b) (3)
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REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Existing facilities since the existing streets will not physically change due to this program and their primary function will remain the same.

The general rule that this project has no possibility of having a significant impact on the environment.

CONTACT PERSON: Eric C. Shen

PHONE: (626) 744-7208

Completed By: Eric C. Shen, P.E.	Approved By:
Title: Transportation Planning & Development Manager	Title:
Date: December 5, 2006	Date:

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?
Yes XX No

Date received for filing:

Signature

Title

CITY OF PASADENA
Department of Transportation
221 E. Walnut Ave., # 210
Pasadena, California 91101

ENVIRONMENTAL EXEMPTION

Project Title: Expansion of An Existing Preferential Permit Parking (PPP) District Boundary

Project Applicant: City of Pasadena

Project Contact Person: Eric C. Shen, P.E.
Transportation Planning & Development Manager

Project City: Pasadena **Project County:** Los Angeles

Project Location: Arden Road, Rosalind Road, Cameron Drive, Holladay Road, Lombardy Road

Project Description:

The Pasadena City Council found that the expansion of an existing Preferential Permit Parking Program district boundary (District "C") is necessary and prudent to mitigate the direct impact of non-local parking and that expansion of the preferential parking district is consistent with procedures and the ordinance. The expansion of District "C" will include the following streets pursuant to Chapter 10.41 of the Pasadena Municipal Code:

1. Both sides of Arden Road between Wilson Avenue and California Boulevard;
2. Both sides of Rosalind Road between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
3. Both sides of Cameron Drive between Arden Road and the south City Limit;
4. Both sides of Holladay Road between Lombardy Road and the south City Limit;
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FINDING

The Environmental Administrator has reviewed the above project in accordance with the City of Pasadena's Environmental Guidelines. The basis for the exempt determination is:

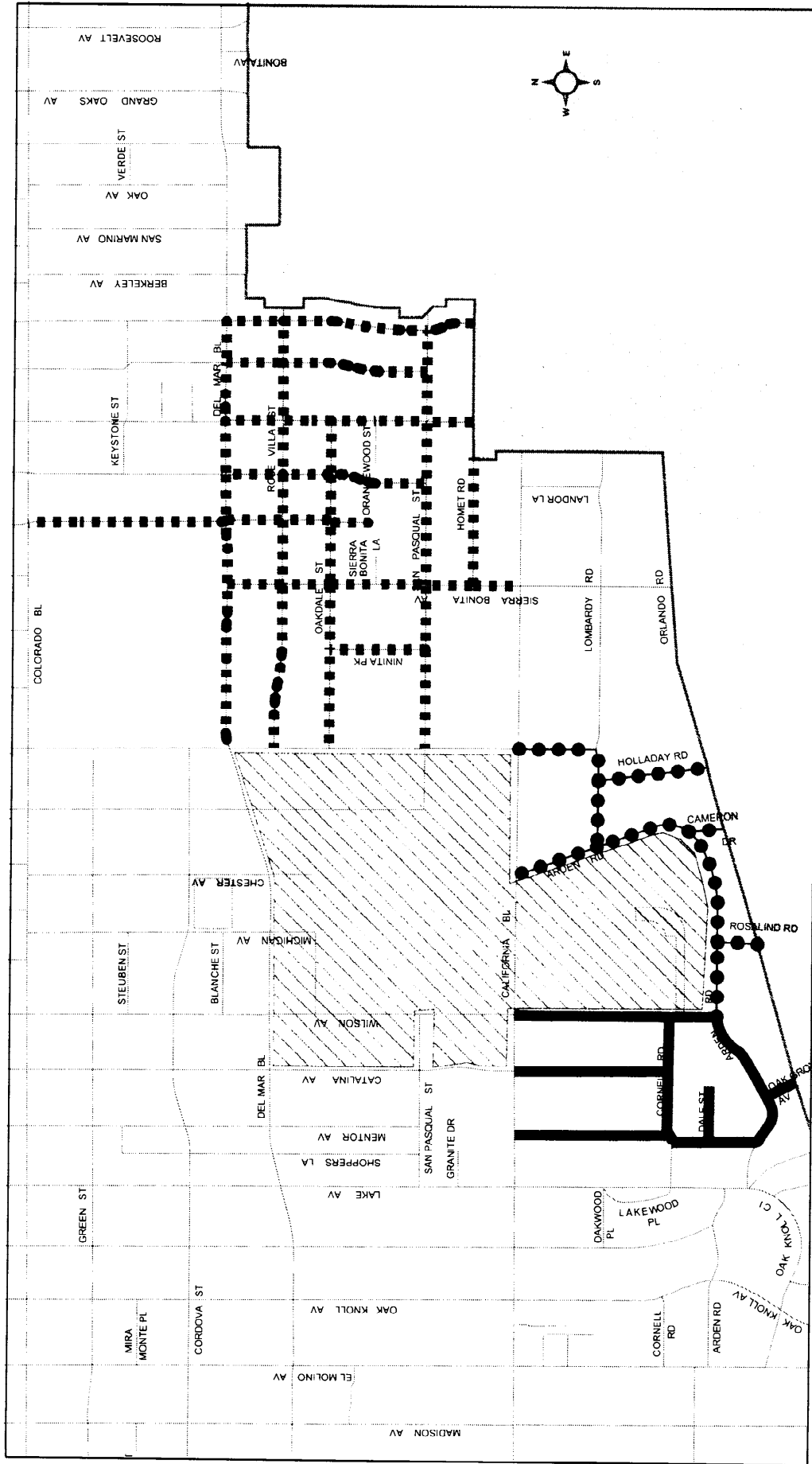
- Ministerial (CEQA Sec. 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269)(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption. (Sec. 15301(c))

Reason why project is exempt:

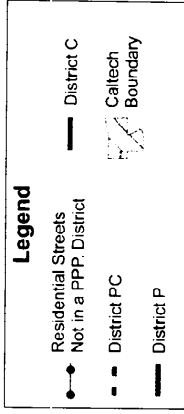
1. Existing facilities since the existing streets will not physically change due to this program and their primary function will remain the same.
2. This project intends to mitigate current parking problems in a residential neighborhood.
3. The general rule that this program has no possibility of having a significant impact on the environment

Completed By: Eric C. Shen, P.E.	Approved By:
Title: Transportation Planning & Development Manager	Title:
Date: December 5, 2006	Date:

**Attachment 2:
Existing & Proposed Expansion of District "C"
Boundary (full-size)**



**Figure 1:
Existing & Proposed Expansion of
Preferential Parking Program near CalTech**



RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA TO EXPAND THE EXISTING PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT (DISTRICT "C") WITHIN WHICH PREFERENTIAL PARKING PRIVILEGES WOULD BE GRANTED TO RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22507 authorizes the local authority to install signs giving notice that no person shall stand, stop or park a vehicle, except as provided on such signs; and

WHEREAS, Pasadena Municipal Code Section 10.40.170 authorizes the Director of Transportation ("the Director") to install signs giving notice that no person shall stand, stop or park a vehicle, except as provided on such signs; and

WHEREAS, Pasadena Municipal Code Chapter 10.41, "Preferential Parking Ordinance", establishes a preferential parking program for residential neighborhoods whereby permit parking only districts can be established according to certain criteria in order to relieve congestion in those districts;

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted rules and procedures for the designation of preferential parking districts setting forth the criteria for designation of a preferential parking district and for the implementation and administration of the program.

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2001 the City Council approved a resolution (No. 7978) for establishing a preferential parking program to include both sides of Mentor Avenue and Catalina Avenue between California Boulevard and Cornell Street; west side of Wilson Avenue between California Boulevard and Cornell Street; both sides of Cornell Street between Lake Avenue and Wilson Avenue; both sides of Arden Road between Mentor Avenue and Wilson Avenue; and both sides of Dale Street;

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has designated the affected area as PPP District “C” for administrative purpose;

WHEREAS, the unrestricted on-street parking immediately east of the PPP District “C”, adjacent to the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) has been occupied by non-local vehicles in which the streets cannot be used for parking by the residents or their guests and that such unrestricted parking substantially and unreasonably, regularly interferes with the use of a majority of the available public street parking; is a source of interference with the residential environment and detrimentally affects the public welfare;

WHEREAS, the City Council has found that the expansion of PPP District “C” is necessary and prudent to mitigate the direct impact of non-local parking destined Caltech campus; and that expansion of the preferential parking district is consistent with procedures and the ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation is empowered to implement a preferential parking program in a preferential parking district created by City Council resolution;

THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Pasadena hereby expands the existing District “C” to include the following streets pursuant to Chapter 10.41 of the Pasadena Municipal Code:

1. Both sides of Arden Road between Wilson Avenue and California Boulevard;
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4. Both sides of Holladay Road between Lombardy Road and the south City Limit; and
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Adopted at the _____ meeting of the City Council on the
_____, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:

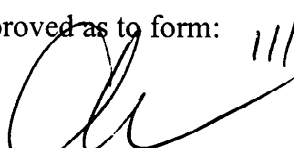
NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JANE L. RODRIGUEZ
City Clear

Approved as to form: 11/27/06



NICHOLAS G. RODRIGUEZ
Assistant City Attorney