

Agenda Report

July 27, 2015

- **TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council
- **FROM:** Department of Transportation Planning and Community Development Department
- SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF RESIDENTIAL PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM IN THE WEST DEL MAR BOULEVARD NEIGHBORHOOD (DISTRICT "M") WITHIN WHICH PREFERENTIAL PARKING PRIVILEGES WOULD BE GRANTED TO RESIDENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Find that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities, and
- 2. Adopt a Resolution establishing a new residential preferential permit parking district along the south side of West Del Mar Boulevard between South Orange Grove Boulevard and South St. John Avenue.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to State Law, California Vehicle Code Section 22507, a local authority may designate certain streets upon which preferential parking privileges are given to residents and/or merchants adjacent to the streets for their use and the use of their guests, under which the residents and/or merchants may be issued a permit or permits that exempt them from the prohibition or restriction of the ordinance or resolution.

On December 15, 2014, the City Council considered and approved the Maranatha High School Master Plan. Throughout the public process, parking was one of the major concerns with the Maranatha High School Master Plan. At the public hearing, residents raised concerns regarding parking impacts on residential streets from events held at Maranatha High School, in conjunction with the activities of the Harvest Rock Church property located immediately north of Maranatha High School. The primary concern was that activities of Maranatha High School and Harvest Rock Church were so

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frequent and intense that street parking was very limited for existing residents. Therefore, as part of the approval of the Maranatha High School Master Plan, the City Council initiate a parking study to verify the issues documented and described by residents and identify all possible mitigation measures, including parking prohibition, restricted parking, and parking by permit only.

ANALYSIS:

Department of Transportation staff has conducted the required field surveys and verified that more than 40 percent of vehicles parked along the south side of West Del Mar Boulevard between South Orange Grove Boulevard and South St. John Avenue (Attachment A) were destined for the Maranatha High School campus or Harvest Rock Church, which is located adjacent to the Maranatha High School campus, immediately to the north. The Department of Transportation has received signatures from 71 percent (67 percent is required) of the property owners along the designated section of West Del Mar Boulevard, in order to install parking signs and issue parking passes.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed residential preferential permit parking district furthers the intent of City Council action taken on December 15, 2014. Additionally, it furthers the City Council's Strategic Plan goals of ensuring public safety and increasing conservation and sustainability.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This project is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities). The exemption covers the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of exiting public or private facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of the use. CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(b)3 specifically identifies existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trains and similar facilities as exempt projects.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The estimated cost of \$500 for sign fabrication and installation for the eligible street segment will be funded through the Complete Streets Program in the Capital Improvement Program (Project Number 75903). The initial and annual cost of the parking permits for the residents of the eligible streets is paid for on a cost-recovery basis via fees for the permits per the adopted General Fee Schedule.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: (1)

Attachment A: Proposed Residential Preferential Parking District "M"