

Agenda Report

August 19, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Department of Transportation

SUBJECT: APPROVE CORRECTION TO EXPAND THE PLAYHOUSE PARKING METER ZONE BOUNDARIES AND DIRECT CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15301 (existing facilities), there are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class and, therefore, there are no unusual circumstances;
2. Approve the correction to expand the boundaries of the Pasadena Playhouse parking meter zone to be identical to the Playhouse Village Property-based Business Improvement District to allow more interested parties to be eligible for a position on the Playhouse Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission; and
3. Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance within 60 days amending Pasadena Municipal Code Chapter 10.45.220 to expand the boundaries of the Pasadena Playhouse parking meter zone and return to City Council with a legal description of the boundaries consistent with the general description boundaries in the agenda report as shown in Attachment A.

BACKGROUND:

On May 20, 2024, the City Council approved the recommendations made by the Municipal Services Committee on April 9, 2024, to adopt a resolution establishing the Playhouse Parking Meter Zone Parking Advisory Commission per the Pasadena Municipal Code

Chapters 10.45 and 2.98; expand the boundaries of the Pasadena Playhouse Parking Meter Zone; and adopt an occupancy-based parking meter rate. The Playhouse Village Association submitted their support for the recommendations.

In preparation for soliciting applications for the Parking Advisory Commission, which will consist of seven members, it has come to our attention that the recommended parking meter zone boundaries will inadvertently limit the number of eligible applicants. Specifically, these boundaries are smaller than the Playhouse Village Property-based Business Improvement District (PBID) area.

To ensure a sufficient pool of candidates and to align with the original intent of including the broader community within the Playhouse PBID area, staff is requesting a correction to the boundary area. The revised boundary should encompass the entire Playhouse PBID area, thereby broadening the scope for potential applicants to include all interested and qualified individuals within this district.

Staff recommends adjusting the boundaries to match the Playhouse PBID area to provide a more inclusive and representative selection of candidates for the Playhouse Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission.

Parking Meter Zone Expansion

The current Playhouse Parking Meter Zone, as specified in the Pasadena Municipal Code Chapter 10.45.220, is bounded by Union Street to the North, Los Robles Avenue to the West, El Dorado Street to the South, and Oakland Avenue to the East. Paid parking currently exists on Los Robles Avenue from Green Street to Union Street.

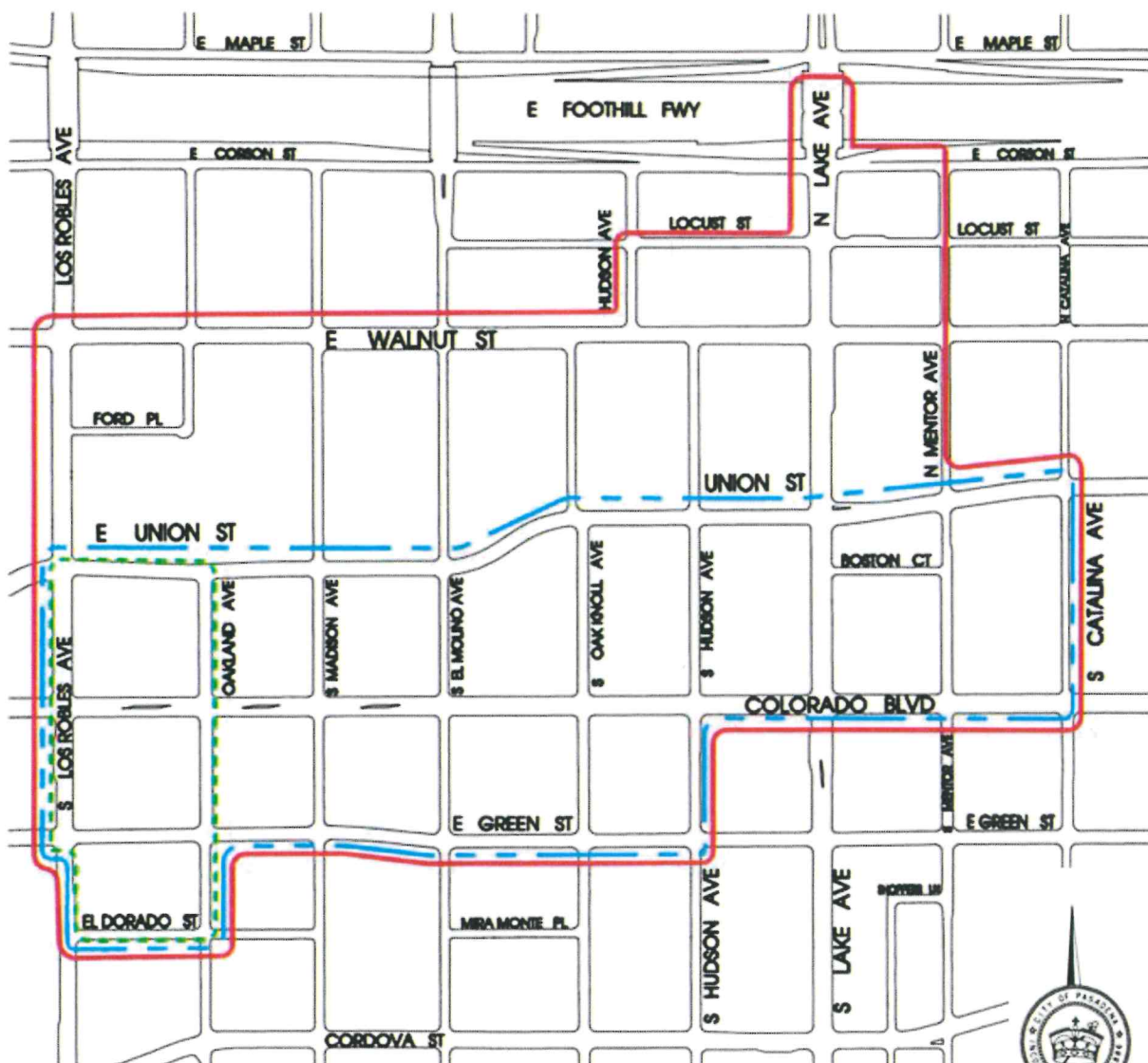
On May 20, 2024, the City Council approved the expansion to be bound by Union Street to the North, Los Robles Avenue to the West, El Dorado Street to the south along Oakland Avenue, then Green Street to the South along Hudson Avenue, then Colorado Boulevard to the South, Catalina Avenue to the East until reaching Union Street.

The revised proposed expansion would extend the zone boundaries to the north and east. As shown below and in Exhibit A, the expansion would be identical to the existing PBID's boundary description below.

Beginning at the intersection of the centerlines of El Dorado Street and Los Robles Avenue; thence north along said centerline of Los Robles Avenue to the westerly prolongation of the north property line of the parcel located at the northeast corner of Los Robles Avenue and Walnut Street; thence easterly along the north property line of each parcel located on the north side of Walnut Street between Los Robles Avenue and Hudson Avenue to the centerline of Hudson Avenue; thence north along said centerline of Hudson Avenue to the centerline of Locust Street; thence east along said centerline of Locust Street to the southerly prolongation of the western property line of that parcel lying at the southwest corner of Lake Avenue and Corson Street; thence north along said western property line to the northern right of way line of Corson Street; thence east along said right of way line of Corson Street to the western right of way line of Lake Avenue; thence north along said western right of way line of Lake

Avenue to the southern right of way line of Maple Street; thence east across Lake Avenue to the eastern right of way line of Lake Avenue; thence south along said eastern right of way line of Lake Avenue (including the Metro Station area on the Lake Avenue freeway overpass) to the northern right of way line of Corson Street; thence east along said northern right of way line of Corson Street to the centerline of Mentor Avenue; thence south along said centerline of Mentor Avenue to the centerline of Union Street; thence east along said centerline of Union Street to the centerline of Catalina Avenue; thence south along said centerline of Catalina Avenue to the centerline of Colorado Boulevard; thence west along said centerline of Colorado Boulevard to the centerline of Hudson Avenue; thence south along said centerline of Hudson Avenue to the easterly prolongation of the southern property line of APN 5734-025-029; thence west along said southern property line of APN 5734-025-029 to the eastern property line of APN 5734-025-003; thence north along said eastern property line of APN 5734-025-003 to the southern property line of APN 5734-025-027; thence west along said southern property line of APN 5734-025-027 to the centerline of Oak Knoll Street; thence north along said centerline of Oak Knoll Street to the southern property line of that parcel lying at the southwest corner of Green Street and Oak Knoll Avenue; thence westerly along the south property line of each parcel located on the south side of Green Street between Oak Knoll Avenue and Madison Avenue to the centerline of Madison Avenue; thence south along said centerline of Madison Avenue to the centerline of El Dorado Street; thence west along said centerline of El Dorado Street to the point of beginning.

The following map shows the current boundary, the updated boundary approved on May 20, 2024, and the proposed expanded boundary.



LEGEND	
	CURRENT PARKING METER ZONE BOUNDARY
	EXPANDED METER ZONE APPROVED MAY 20, 2024
	PROPOSED PARKING METER ZONE BOUNDARY

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This project is consistent with the City Council's goal to improve, maintain, and enhance public facilities and infrastructure and supports and promotes the quality of life and the local economy. The project is consistent the Mobility Element of the General Plan objective to create a supportive climate for economic viability by working with existing businesses to assess parking needs and requirements.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The project has been reviewed for compliance with CEQA and is exempt per Section 15301 (existing facilities) which exempts from further environmental review those projects that consist of the minor alteration of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of the use. The action proposed herein will expand the area where minor physical work to install parking meter pay stations in a programmatic fashion can occur throughout the Playhouse Village area and over a six-month period. There are no exceptions to the use of an exemption identified in Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines that apply to the project. There are no features that distinguish the project from others in the exempt class and, therefore, there are no unusual circumstances. Accordingly, no further CEQA review is required for this activity.

FISCAL IMPACT:

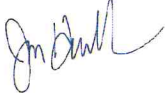
There is no fiscal impact with this action. The expanded parking meter zone boundary will not affect the installation of pay stations in the paid parking meter area or the hours of operation.

Respectfully submitted,




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Attachments:
Exhibit A – Pasadena Playhouse Parking Meter Zone Expansion Map