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Dear Pasadena City Council,

I'm writing to express my support for topic number 10 on the Consent Calendar for tonight's City Council meeting. MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.40.140 (STANDING IN ALLEYS) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE LANGUAGE ALLOWING FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN ALLEYS (Transportation Dept.)

I am strongly in favor of amending section 10.240.140 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to provide language allowing for additional parking restrictions in alleys. First and foremost, it's for safety reasons. I have personally witnessed many unsafe situations in our Old Pasadena alleys due to vehicles parked or stopped in locations that cause traffic backups. One time, I was taking a righthand turn into Exchange Alley from Fair Oaks Ave, and the vehicle I was behind began to back up almost into my car, as there wasn't enough clearance driving into the alley. This was due to another vehicle being parked against the building close to the alley entrance and another vehicle trying to exit the alley coming toward us. I have witnessed this happening multiple times a week. Sometimes the driver is in the parked vehicle, but they don't move even if they see their vehicle is causing an issue. Other times the vehicles are left unattended.

Secondly, there are many instances where vehicles are left unattended and blocking other vehicles into their parking spaces in the alleys. Steve Mulheim and I have met with many business owners who have expressed their anger and frustration about their customers being blocked into spaces for lengthy periods of time. And there is currently not a way for parking enforcement to address this issue.

Lastly, some of our alleys often look like parking lots, lined with vehicles, some left unattended.

Amending this section of the Municipal Code with the proposed additional language would help make the alleys safer and more functional for all.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Re: October 21, 2024 City Council Agenda, Item 10
Amending Municipal Code, Section 10.40.140

Dear Mayor Gordo and City Council Members,

On behalf of Old Pasadena Management District, we respectfully request your support for Item 10 on tonight's meeting agenda, to amend Section 10.40.140 of the Pasadena Municipal Code. This amendment will allow city staff to address issues within the Old Pasadena alleys that are creating public safety risk, blocking business staff and customers in private parking and loading spaces, and hindering the ability to receive deliveries due to congestion and stacked parking. We have met several times with Department of Transportation staff and Old Pasadena business owners to discuss these escalating problems, which staff has been unable to address only because of specific language of the municipal code. This simple addition will provide solutions to these ongoing issues.

Sincerely,

Steve Mulheim
President and CEO