



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2015

ITEM NUMBER: **CC-8**

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A “RESIDENT ONLY” PARKING RESTRICTION ON PARSONS STREET BETWEEN VICTORIA STREET AND THE SOUTH END OF THE CUL-DE-SAC

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2015

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT – TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: ERNESTO MUNOZ, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt the attached resolution (ATTACHMENT 1) approving the implementation of a “**Resident Only**” parking restriction on Parsons Street between Victoria Street and the south end of the cul-de-sac.
2. Authorize the Transportation Services Manager to extend the “**resident only**” parking restriction for a maximum of 1,000 feet, as needed.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2015, a petition was received from the residents of Parsons Street, requesting the implementation of a “**resident only**” parking restriction on their street (ATTACHMENT 2). The petition represented all 14 households that would be directly affected by the requested parking restriction. These residents expressed concerns with a lack of on-street parking availability in their neighborhood due to parking intrusion by vehicles that are unrelated to their neighborhood. There are several nearby multi-family dwellings that could be the source of the parking intrusion. The attached map (ATTACHMENT 3) depicts the surrounding land use, streets, and the location of the subject area under consideration.

ANALYSIS:

According to the guidelines adopted by the City Council (ATTACHMENT 4), neighborhood parking intrusions are considered “significant” if 50% or more of the on-street parking spaces are utilized by vehicles unrelated to the neighborhood at any time, and/or 40% or more are utilized for more than a 24-hour period.

In an effort to determine the level of parking intrusion on Parsons Street, Transportation Services Division staff conducted a series of license plate surveys. The results of these surveys revealed that during the most congested periods (evenings and on weekends) non-resident vehicles consistently occupied over 50% of the available parking spaces on

Parsons Street and over 40% for more than 24 hours, thereby meeting the minimum requirements set by the guidelines for consideration of establishing “**resident only**” permit parking.

If a “**resident only**” permit parking restriction is authorized, signs will be posted restricting parking on the affected street to vehicles displaying a valid permit. Affected households may obtain a permit for their legally registered vehicles upon providing proof of residence in the subject street segment. Additionally, guest permits, valid for a 24-hour period, will be provided to residents for their visitors. The City does not charge a fee for these permits.

If the City Council approves the implementation of a “**resident only**” permit parking restriction on Parsons Street, it is possible that the effect of this restriction would shift some parking intrusion onto other nearby streets. Therefore, the attached resolution provides the Transportation Services Manager with the authority to extend the limits of the permit parking area up to 1,000 feet in distance from Parsons Street, as necessary to address continued resident concerns. This action will be based on each “extended” area meeting the minimum adopted guideline criteria in addition to receiving a qualifying petition.

A notice of City Council consideration of this item has been sent to all affected residents.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

An alternative to the requested “**resident only**” parking restriction is to implement time-restricted parking or an overnight parking restriction. However, time-restricted parking or an overnight parking restriction will also impact the residents and thus will likely not be supported by the residents. This type of parking restriction also places increased demands on the City’s Police services.

Another alternative would be to not approve “**resident only**” permit parking. This alternative would leave the street without any parking control restriction and will result in continued resident concerns for parking intrusion by non-residents.

FISCAL REVIEW:

The cost to manufacture and install signs for the implementation of a “**resident only**” parking restriction is approximately \$750.00. If authorized, funds are available through the existing traffic maintenance account for this purpose.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The City Attorney’s Office has reviewed and approved the attached resolution as to form and content.

CONCLUSION:

A petition was received from residents of Parsons Street requesting the implementation of a “**resident only**” parking restriction on their street. Staff has conducted a series of parking surveys and has confirmed that the parking of vehicles on Parsons Street is unrelated to the neighborhood and exceeds the minimum thresholds established in the Council approved guidelines for consideration of “**resident only**” permit parking.

The petition and parking conditions on Parsons Street are in conformance with guidelines adopted by City Council. Therefore, after considering all alternatives, staff recommends the

implementation of a “**resident only**” parking restriction on Parsons Street and authorizing the Transportation Services Manager to extend the parking restriction for a maximum of 1,000 feet as needed, provided a qualifying petition is received from the affected residents.

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