

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Temp. PPD No.112
CD 4

DATE: October 19, 2011

TO: The Honorable City Council
c/o City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall
Attention: Honorable Bill Rosendahl, Chair, Transportation Committee

FROM: Jaime de la Vega, General Manager
Department of Transportation



**SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF AND AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZED RESTRICTIONS
FOR TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 112
SOUTH OF LOWER RUNYON CANYON PARK, C.F. 08-1799**

RECOMMENDATIONS for Council action:

1. FIND that the parking problem that led to the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 for five blocks south of Lower Runyon Canyon Park in Council District No. 4 still exists and that no permanent solution has been found.
2. FIND that the renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (L.A.M.C.) Section 80.58.d, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a Class 1 Categorical Exemption, under Article III.1.a.3. of the 2002 Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
3. AUTHORIZE "NO PARKING ANYTIME EXCEPT; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM – 7 PM, MONDAY to FRIDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 112 PERMIT EXEMPTED" as an additional parking restriction for use on both sides of all streets in Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112, except for areas where parking is currently prohibited at all times in the interest of traffic flow or safety.
4. PRESENT AND ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION amending the authorized parking restrictions and renewing Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 for 12 more months, until August 17, 2012, pursuant to Section 80.58.d of the L.A.M.C.

DISCUSSION:

On August 17, 2005, the City Council adopted a Resolution (C.F. 05-1624) establishing Temporary Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 112 consisting of the residential portions of Sierra Bonita Avenue between Franklin Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard, and Gardner Street between Franklin Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard. In 2009, the boundaries of the district were amended to include both sides of Franklin Avenue between Gardner Street and Sierra Bonita Avenue and Sierra Bonita Avenue from Franklin Avenue to the dead-end north of Franklin Avenue (see attached map).

While both the original Resolution and that amending the boundaries authorized the installation of the restriction "2 Hour Parking, 8 AM to 7 PM; No Parking 7 PM to 8 AM; Vehicles with District 112 Permits Exempted" anywhere within this Temporary Preferential Parking District, the residents have contacted the Parking Permits Division and the Councilmember's Office indicating there is still excessive non-resident parking. After meeting with residents and discussing the options, the Councilmember requested the following additional restriction be added to the authorized restriction be added to those authorized for posting on any street within the District upon submission of valid petitions:

"No Parking Any Time Except, 2 Hour Parking, 8 AM to 7 PM Monday to Friday; Vehicles with District No. 112 Permits Exempted."

Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 is currently due to expire on August 17, 2011.

BACKGROUND:

Councilmember LaBonge sent a letter to DOT (copy attached) stating that the problems that led to the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 still existed, acknowledging that there seemed to be no permanent solution to the parking problems at this time, and requesting the renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 with the amendment of the authorized restrictions, as the current restrictions do not afford the residents adequate relief.

The City Council has the authority, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d, to establish Temporary Preferential Parking Districts by resolution "to provide relief for residents who suffer an excessive parking impact ... as the result of any conditions which impact fewer than six blocks and which, in the judgment of the Council member of the District and after consultation with the Assistant General Manager, deserve immediate relief until a permanent solution can be found". Temporary Preferential Parking Districts are limited in duration to a maximum of 12 months from the date of approval of the resolution. Temporary districts may be renewed on an annual basis by resolution until either a permanent solution is found or the problem ceases to exist.

The proposed amendment of authorized restrictions and renewal of this Temporary Preferential Parking District would restrict parking in a five-block area for an additional 12 months. Because this is a renewal and continues the on-going limitations and usage, DOT has concluded that the proposed renewal of Temporary PPD No. 112 will not significantly impact the environment. In light of changes to the CEQA Guidelines, which became effective March 18, 2010, parking is subject to a Class 1 Categorical Exemption. It has been determined that parking constitutes a social and not an environmental impact. Because of the existing parking in the area and the fact that this renewal "involves negligible or no expansion to existing use", the renewal of the district falls within the Class 1 Categorical exemption of section 15301(c) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines and of the 2002 City CEQA Guidelines, Article III, 1.a.3.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the additional cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing Temporary PPD No. 112. Furthermore, the City may gain additional General Fund revenue from the issuance of parking citations to violators of the District's parking restrictions.

COORDINATION:

Councilmember LaBonge has requested the amendment of the authorized restrictions and renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 to provide continued relief to the residents of the five blocks that comprise this District from the adverse parking impact they were experiencing prior to the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112.

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Attachments

Resolution
Map of Preferential Parking District 112
Letter from Councilmember LaBonge

RESOLUTION

RENEWAL OF AND AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZED RESTRICTIONS FOR TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 112 SOUTH OF LOWER RUNYON CANYON PARK

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2005, the Council adopted a Resolution (CF 05-1624) establishing Temporary Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 112, which was subsequently Renewed and the boundaries amended in 2009 expanded to include a total of five blocks, and is currently due to expire on August 17, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember LaBonge believes that the conditions that originally justified this Temporary PPD; which include regular intrusion of vehicles associated with visitors to Runyon Canyon, still exist, and no other viable measure to resolve the resulting parking intrusion into the neighborhood is available; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember LaBonge has requested that an additional restriction: "No Parking Any Time Except 2 Hour Parking 8 AM to 7 PM Monday to Friday, Vehicles with District No. 112 Permits Exempted" parking restriction be added to the preferential parking restrictions authorized for use anywhere within this District; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember LaBonge has requested the renewal of Temporary PPD No. 112 to provide continued relief to the residents of the District from the adverse parking impact they were experiencing prior to the establishment of the District; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d authorizes Temporary PPDs to be renewed on an annual basis by resolution until either a permanent solution is found or the problem ceases to exist.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that upon adoption of this Resolution by the Council, the following preferential parking restriction be added to the list of parking restrictions authorized for use anywhere within the District except for areas where parking is currently prohibited at all times in the interest of traffic flow or safety:

"No Parking Any Time Except, 2 Hour Parking, 8 AM to 7 PM Monday to Friday; Vehicles with District No. 112 Permits Exempted"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d, hereby renews Temporary PPD No. 112 for an additional 12 months until August 17, 2012; and

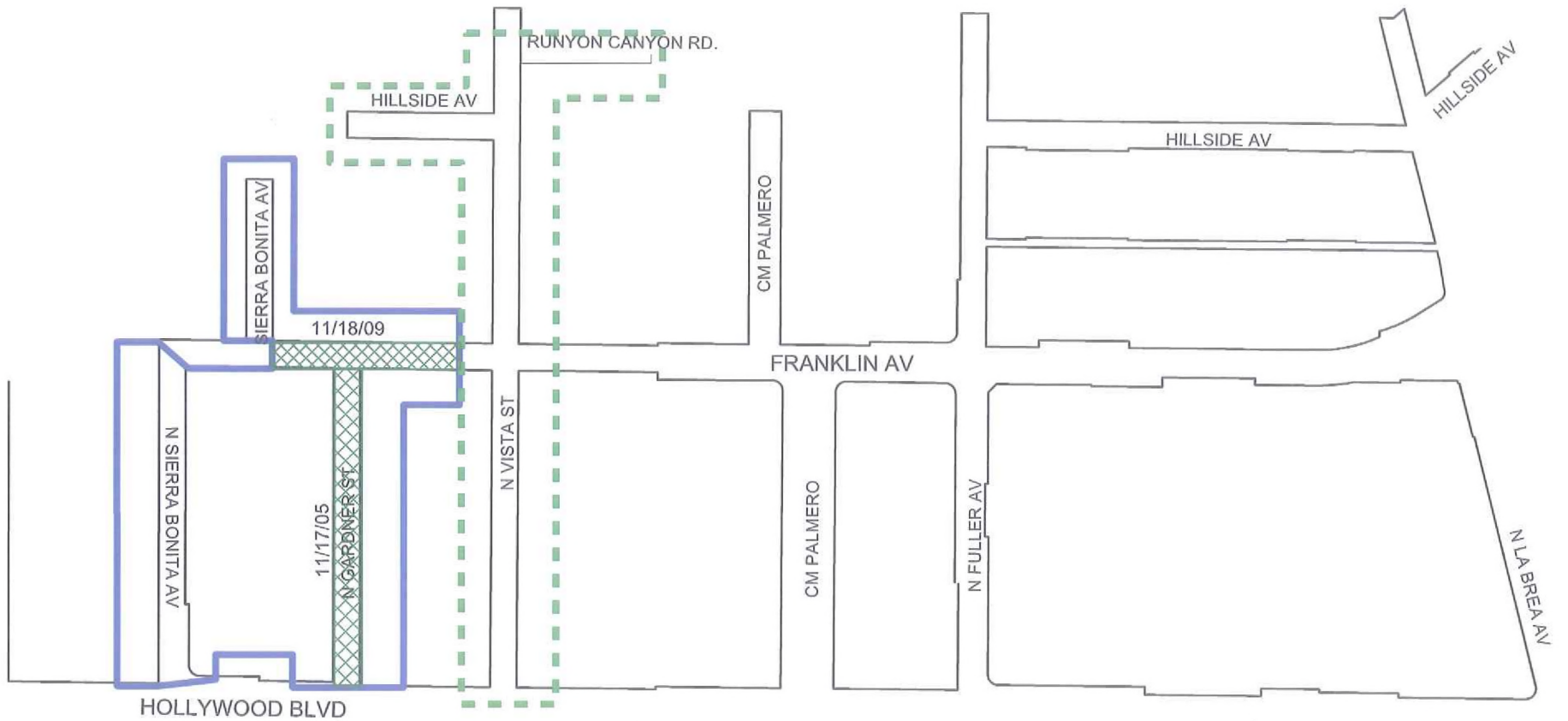
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of Temporary PPD No. 112 remain unchanged.

PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 112




COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4

Hollywood Enforcement

(TEMPORARY)



LEGEND:

-  PPD Boundary
-  PPD No. 72 Boundary
-  No Parking 7pm - 8am; 2 Hrs Parking 8am - 7pm
Vehicles with District no.112 permits exempted.





CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

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September 7, 2011

Mr. Jaime de la Vega
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100 S. Main Street, 10th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. de la Vega:

RE: REQUEST FOR RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZED RESTRICTIONS
FOR TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT (#112)

In order to address the daily intrusion of non-resident vehicles of those visiting Runyon Canyon Park which resulted in residents being unable to find parking or access their driveways, the City Council established Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 on August 17, 2005. The boundaries were amended in 2009 to the current streets: N. Gardner Street and Sierra Bonita Avenue between Hollywood Boulevard and Franklin, Franklin Avenue between Vista Street and Gardner Street and Franklin Avenue between Sierra Bonita Avenue and the end of the street. Without the Temporary Preferential Parking District, this situation resulted in an excessive parking impact upon the residents of this street, from which immediate relief was sought.

When this District was established, the only authorized restriction was: "NO PARKING ANYTIME, 7 PM to 8 AM, 2 HR PARKING 8 AM to 7 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT #112 PERMITS EXEMPTED". However, the residents continue to experience extremely heavy street use during the hours that the two hour parking restriction is in effect on weekends and have contacted my office for additional relief. In an effort to craft a restriction to meet both the needs of the residents and the park-goers, I met with the residents and request that the list of authorized restrictions for this District be amended to include the following additional restriction: "NO PARKING ANY TIME EXCEPT; 2 HR PARKING 8 AM to 7 PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT #112 PERMITS EXEMPTED".

Unless and until off-street parking facility can be developed, there does not seem to be any other permanent or temporary solution to this problem other than the renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 112 with the amendment of the authorized parking restrictions in order to provide the residents of the District with continued and needed relief until a permanent solution can be identified and implemented.

I support the renewal of this District without change to the boundaries, but with amendment to the authorized restrictions noted above for use on both sides of any street within the District for which the residents submit valid petitions containing signatures of the residents of 67% of the residential units on the block.

I further request that the Department of Transportation proceed with the renewal process for this Temporary Preferential Parking District for another year as set forth above. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Shapiro of my staff at (213) 485-3337.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom LaBonge', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

TOM LaBONGE
Councilmember, 4th District

c: DOT Parking Permits Division, Stop 735-04