


CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 10, 2015

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

FROM: Seleta J. Reynolds,  General Manager
Department of Transportation

SUBJECT: **ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 191 NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF WATERLOO STREET AND SUNSET BOULEVARD IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 13**

SUMMARY

This report recommends the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District (TPPD) No. 191 near the intersection of Waterloo Street and Sunset Boulevard in Council District 13.

RECOMMENDATION

1. FIND that the residents of the residential streets set forth in Recommendation No. 3 below suffer from an adverse impact from employees of the businesses along Sunset Boulevard, which results in the employees and visitors from those businesses monopolize the on-street parking in the residential areas leaving residents little or no parking and from which the residents deserve immediate relief.
2. FIND that the establishment of this TPPD 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. ADOPT the attached RESOLUTION establishing TPPD No. 191 for the following street segments, pursuant to Section 80.58.d of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (L.A.M.C.):
 - a. Elsinore Street between Alvarado Street and Mohawk Street;
 - b. Elsinore Street between Mohawk Street and Waterloo Street;
 - c. Mohawk Street between Sunset Boulevard and Elsinore Street;
 - d. Mohawk Street between Elsinore Street and Reservoir Street; and
4. AUTHORIZE the "NO PARKING 8 PM to 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM to 8 PM; DISTRICT NO. 191 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction for use both sides of any street segment enumerated in Recommendation No. 3.
5. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within the boundaries of TPPD No. 191, as specified in Section 80.58 of the L.A.M.C.

6. DIRECT the LADOT, upon City Council adoption of the Resolution establishing the District, to post, or remove, the authorized parking restrictions upon receipt and verification of the requisite petition, without further actions by the City Council.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell sent a letter to LADOT requesting establishment of a six block TPPD for six streets adjacent to the busy Sunset Boulevard business corridor near the Mohawk bend, in order to provide the residents immediate relief from excessive non-resident employee parking which monopolizes the available street parking. The residents deserve immediate relief from this situation that will last until a permanent solution can be found. As Temporary Preferential Parking Districts are limited to a maximum of 5 street segments, the Council Office elected to drop the two street segments of Waterloo Street between Sunset Boulevard and Reservoir Street from the district.

BACKGROUND

The establishment of TPPD No. 191, pursuant to LAMC 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. It will not change the use of the street as a resource for patrons of the business district and employees can find adequate parking on other nearby streets or at meters.

The City Council has the authority, pursuant to LAMC Section 80.58.d, to establish TPPDs 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 Councilmember of the District and after consultation with the Parking Administrator, deserve immediate relief until a permanent solution can be found."

COORDINATION

Councilmember O'Farrell and his staff have consulted with LADOT regarding the parking problems in this area and have concluded that a TPPD is the best possible solution to address the residents' parking concerns at this time.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the cost of implementing and administering TPPD No. 191. Furthermore, the City will gain additional General Fund revenue from the issuance of parking citations to violators of the TPPD parking restrictions.

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Attachments:

Resolution

TPPD Map

Councilmember's Letter

Email from Adam Bass, Field Deputy for Councilmember O'Farrell

RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 191 NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF WATERLOO STREET AND SUNSET BOULEVARD IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 13

WHEREAS, the establishment of Preferential Parking Districts is a very effective tool in restricting excessive numbers of non-resident vehicles from parking in residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the streets listed below, are unable to park near their homes or even drive the streets of their neighborhood because non-resident employees and visitors to the businesses along Sunset Boulevard are monopolizing the on-street which leaves residents and their guests little or no parking; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) provides for the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking Districts (TPPD) by Resolution and allows for their annual administrative renewal pursuant to 80.58.d. of the Los Angeles Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) received a written request from Council District 13 requesting the establishment of TPPD No. 191 to provide relief to the residents of Dawes Avenue in Council District 13; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d establishes TPPD No. 191, consisting of the residential portions of both sides of the following streets in the City of Los Angeles:

- a. Elsinore Street between Alvarado Street and Mohawk Street;
- b. Elsinore Street between Mohawk Street and Waterloo Street;
- c. Mohawk Street between Sunset Boulevard and Elsinore Street;
- d. Mohawk Street between Elsinore Street and Reservoir Street; and



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of TPPD No. 191 through the adoption of this resolution, that LADOT be authorized to post or remove, the "No Parking 8PM to 8 AM; 2 Hour Parking 8AM to 8PM; DISTRICT NO. 191 PERMITS EXEMPT" restrictions except where parking is prohibited for traffic or safety reasons, without further action by the City Council, upon receipt and verification of the requisite petitions are provided for in the "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts" adopted by the City Council; and

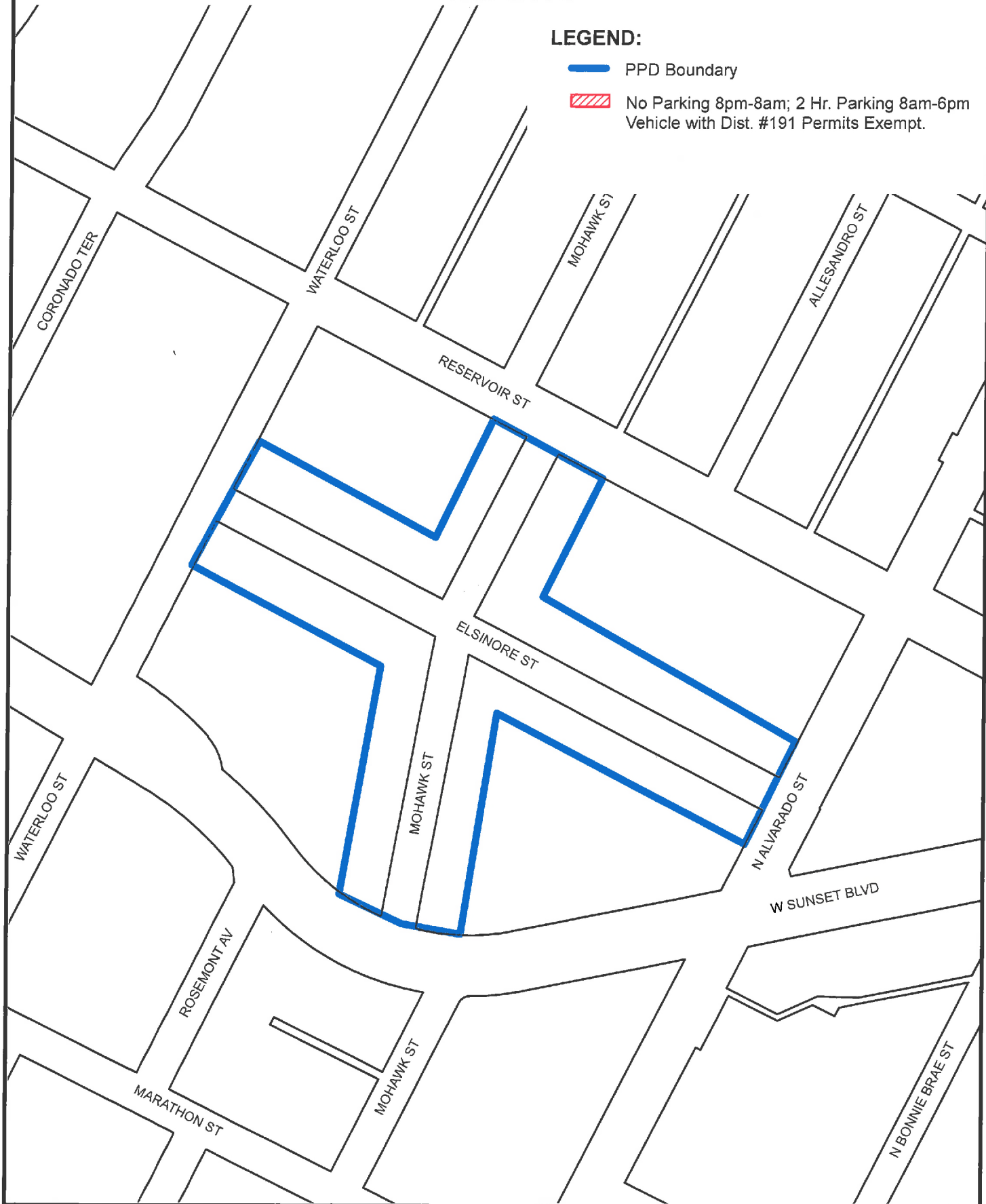
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LADOT be directed to take appropriate steps to prepare, issue and require payments for permits from the residents of TPPD No. 191 in accordance with the LAMC and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this District shall have a maximum duration of 12 months from the date of approval of this Resolution and shall be administratively renewed annually thereafter unless otherwise requested by the Councilmember.

PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO 191
COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
TEMPORARY

LEGEND:

-  PPD Boundary
-  No Parking 8pm-8am; 2 Hr. Parking 8am-6pm
Vehicle with Dist. #191 Permits Exempt.





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12 September 2013

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**RE: REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING
DISTRICT FOR THE WASHINGTON HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD NORTH OF
SUNSET IN ECHO PARK.**

Dear Mr. De la Vega,

My office has been working with the residents of Elsinore Street, Mohawk Street and Waterloo Street north of Sunset in Echo Park, to address a recent parking problem as a result of increased business activity leading to employees and customers parking in the neighborhood. In many cases, residents are unable to find parking for blocks near their homes.

Even before the business activity increased, this area experienced a severe parking impact due to its location near major thoroughfares like Alvarado and Sunset. In response to the problem, the residents have worked in conjunction with the staff of Council District 13 and the Greater Echo Park Elysian Neighborhood Council and LADOT to explore alternative restrictions to address the situation. However, none of the alternatives are adequate to meet the needs of the residents.

I am requesting that a Temporary Preferential Parking District be established for 12 months, for the following blocks to address the problem:

- Waterloo Street from Sunset Boulevard to Reservoir Street
- Mohawk Street from Sunset Boulevard to Reservoir Street
- Elsinore Street from Waterloo Street to Alvarado Street

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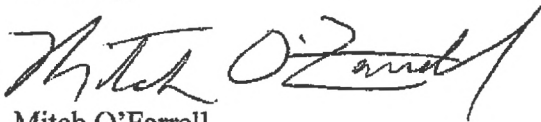
I also request that the following parking restriction to be used on both sides of any of the streets in this district:

“2 hour parking, 8 AM to 8 PM, No parking any other time; District XXX Permits Exempt.”

This restriction will allow residents and their guests who have permits to park. I understand that this restriction will not be posted on those blocks, until the residents of those blocks within this District have submitted a valid petition in accordance with Section 80.58 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

I request that the Department of Transportation proceed with the process of establishing this Temporary Preferential Parking District for 12 months. If you have any questions, please contact Adam Bass of my staff at (323) 957-4500.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitch O'Farrell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mitch" and last name "O'Farrell" clearly legible.

Mitch O'Farrell
Councilmember, 13th District

Cc: Tamara Martin, LADOT Permit Parking Division



Tamara Martin <tamara.martin@lacity.org>

Re: Washington Heights TPPD

1 message

Adam Bass <adam.bass@lacity.org>
To: Tamara Martin <tamara.martin@lacity.org>

Fri, Jan 3, 2014 at 4:19 PM

Waterloo between Reservoir and Sunset

Adam,

In preparing the map for the district, it appears that we have 6 street segments and will need to eliminate one block. Do you have a preference as to which street to eliminate?

Please advise.

Regards,

Tamara

On Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 4:31 PM, Adam Bass <adam.bass@lacity.org> wrote:

Great - thank you for the update.

Adam



Adam G. Bass

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On Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 4:16 PM, Tamara Martin <tamara.martin@lacity.org> wrote:

Adam,

This request is in line for processing. We have limited staff and are working our way through the pending requests.

Tamara

On Thu, Oct 17, 2013 at 2:28 PM, Adam Bass <adam.bass@lacity.org> wrote:

Tamara,

I sent you the letter from Councilmember O'Farrell to the GM of LADOT on September 12. Will you please give me an update on where this stands?

You mentioned to me on the phone when we talked in August that you needed the letter, then you'd point me in the right direction for petitioning for posting, etc. I'm waiting to know what the next step is, or where this stands?

Thanks,

Adam

On Oct 15, 2013 3:57 PM, "Adam Bass" <adam.bass@lacity.org> wrote:

Tamara,

Will you please give me an update?

Thanks,

Adam

On Oct 4, 2013 10:39 AM, "Adam Bass" <adam.bass@lacity.org> wrote:

Tamara,

I hope you're doing well. I wanted to check in quickly to see if you could give me a status update on the TPPD for Washington Heights (Waterloo, Mohawk and Elsinore).

Thanks,

Adam

Adam G. Bass

Field Deputy - Echo Park, Elysian Valley, and Glassell Park

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Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell

Los Angeles City Council, District 13

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