

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

Date: October 25, 2017

To: The Honorable City Council, City of Los Angeles  
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 OVERNIGHT PARKING DISTRICT NO. 558 FOR THE WEST SIDE OF THE 700 BLOCK OF CAHUENGA BOULEVARD AND REMOVAL FROM PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 40 IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 13**

**SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the establishment of an Overnight Parking District (OPD) for Cahuenga Boulevard and its removal from Preferential Parking District No. (PPD) 40 in Council District (CD) 13.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. FIND that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) should have the primary responsibility for the enforcement of the authorized OPD restriction in OPD No. 558, with support from LADOT Parking Enforcement, since the reported problems involve criminal activity.
2. FIND that the establishment of this OPD 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 Resolution establishing OPD No. 558, pursuant to Section 80.54 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), to include the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue.
4. AUTHORIZE the "NO PARKING, 2 AM TO 6 AM; DISTRICT NO. 558 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction for use on the residential portions of the block set forth in Recommendation No. 3, except where parking is already prohibited for traffic flow or for public safety.
5. INSTRUCT the LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within the boundaries of OPD No. 558, as specified in Section 80.54 of the LAMC.
6. DIRECT the LADOT to post or remove the authorized OPD No. 558 parking restrictions for the street segment within OPD No. 558 in accordance with the criteria set forth in the above recommendations, upon written instructions from the Council Office representing the specific street segment requesting the posting or removal of such signs, and upon receipt of a

corresponding letter from LAPD regarding the public nuisance-related crime problem associated with parked vehicles.

## **BACKGROUND**

LADOT conducted an analysis and investigation of the proposed parking district and concluded that, under the State CEQA guidelines, the changes are subject to a Class I Categorical Exemption under Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines and of the 2002 City CEQA Guidelines, Article III. 1.a3., because changes in parking restrictions for this district are operational and will not expand the existing use of the streets or change parking demand, as displacement of other vehicles is expected to be minimal.

## **DISCUSSION**

The west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Melrose Avenue and Waring Avenue was originally within PPD 40 and is zoned for commercial and manufacturing use. This block has very few residential units with the majority of businesses supporting the nearby entertainment studios. A recent Live/Work development increased the number of residents on the block; however, overall residential frontage is still under 50 percent making it difficult to benefit from PPD restrictions. Parking is limited due to the commercial vehicles associated with the businesses and parking opportunities are inadequate both on- and off-street to accommodate the residents of the street. The residents also have an impact to the quality of life due to parking, theft, loitering, and other issues.

On July 26, 2016, Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell sent a letter requesting the establishment of an OPD, which will restrict parking of vehicles without a permit from 2 AM to 6 AM for the blocks requested. Councilmember O'Farrell's office forwarded a letter from LAPD Captain Cory Palka of LAPD's Hollywood Station in support of the establishment of the OPD to deal with the criminal activity related to the non-residents who park their vehicles on the street.

## **COORDINATION**

Councilmember O'Farrell and the LAPD, in consultation with LADOT, concluded that an OPD, which limits parking by non-residents between 2 AM and 6 AM, is the best solution available to provide relief to the residents.

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the additional cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing OPD No. 558. Additionally, violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in fines deposited to the General Fund.

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## **Attachments**

- Resolution
- Map of OPD No. 558
- Councilmember's Letter
- LAPD Letter

## RESOLUTION

### **ESTABLISHMENT OF OVERNIGHT PARKING DISTRICT NO. 558 FOR THE WEST SIDE OF THE 700 BLOCK OF CAHUENGA BOULEVARD AND REMOVAL FROM PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 40 IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 13**

WHEREAS, the establishment of an Overnight Parking District (OPD) is an effective tool to address a variety of public safety and public welfare issues associated with non-resident vehicles that are parked overnight in residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the residents located on the blocks indicated below are faced with the problem of theft, loitering, and other issues by non-residents who park their vehicles overnight in their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) received a written request from Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell of Council District (CD) 13, requesting LADOT to establish an OPD for the street listed below; and

WHEREAS, LADOT received a letter from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), requesting the establishment of the above OPD to address public safety and quality of life nuisance problems associated with the vehicles of non-residents on the street segments, and indicated permits could be issued; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.54 provides for the establishment of OPD No. 558, which will consist of the residential portion of the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue in the City of Los Angeles; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, pursuant to LAMC, Section 80.54, hereby establishes OPD No. 558 for the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue be removed from Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 40; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the establishment of OPD No. 558 through adoption of the Resolution, that LADOT be authorized to post or remove the "NO PARKING 2 AM TO 6 AM; DISTRICT NO. 558 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction on all street segments within OPD No. 558, where parking is not already prohibited for traffic or safety reasons, without further action 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 residents of OPD No. 558 in accordance with LAMC, and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for OPDs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LAPD shall have primary responsibility for enforcement of the authorized "NO PARKING, 2AM TO 6 AM, DISTRICT NO. 558 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction in OPD No. 558, with support from LADOT Parking Enforcement.

# OVERNIGHT PARKING DISTRICT NO. 558

## COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

WARING AV

COLE AV

N CAHUENGA BLVD


LILLIAN WY



MELROSE AV

### LEGEND:

 OPD Boundary

 No Parking 2am - 6am;  
District No.558 Permits Exempt.



MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember  
13th District

July 26, 2016

Ms. Seleta Reynolds, General Manager  
City of Los Angeles  
Department of Transportation  
100 S. Main Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

My office is formally requesting that an Overnight Parking District (OPD) be established for the following streets with **"No Parking from 2 AM to 6 AM; Permits Exempt:"**

- West side of 700 N. block of Cahuenga Blvd, between Melrose Ave and Waring Ave

CD13 has found that a sufficient number of residents of this area have petitioned in support of the OPD. The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Hollywood Area, has also written a letter of support for this measure.

Please work to implement this OPD as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact my Hollywood Field Deputy, Daniel Halden, at (213) 207-3015 or [daniel.halden@lacity.org](mailto:daniel.halden@lacity.org).

Best Regards,

MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember, 13<sup>th</sup> District

# LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

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August 11, 2016

Ms. Seleta Reynolds, General Manager  
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100 S. Main Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Hollywood Area, is formally requesting that an Overnight Parking District (OPD) be established for the following streets with **"No Parking from 2 AM to 6 AM; Permits Exempt:"**

- West side of 700 N. block of Cahuenga Boulevard, between Melrose and Waring Avenues


Members of this community have expressed concerns over matters related to public safety, including parking, theft, loitering and other issues. As part of our ongoing efforts to provide for the public safety and a better quality of life, the LAPD is now requesting this OPD be established on the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard.

Residents on Cahuenga Boulevard have already gathered petitions of support for this measure, and Council District 13 is also supportive. This new OPD will bring parking relief and a safer overall environment to the residents of this community.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Sergeant Darrell Davis, Hollywood Community Relations Office, at (323) 871-4068 or [32256@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32256@lapd.lacity.org).

Very truly yours,

**CHARLIE BECK**  
Chief of Police

  
**CORY PALKA**, Captain  
Commanding Officer  
Hollywood Area