

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the establishment of Overnight Parking District (OPD) No. 558 in the 700 block of Cahuenga Boulevard and removal from Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 40.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that the establishment of OPD No. 558, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.54, 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.
2. FIND that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) should have the primary responsibility for the enforcement of the authorized overnight parking restrictions in OPD No. 558, with support from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) Parking Enforcement, since the reported problems involve criminal activity.
3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION establishing OPD No. 558 pursuant to LAMC Section 80.54 to include the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue.
4. AUTHORIZE NO PARKING, 2 AM to 6 AM NIGHTLY; DISTRICT NO. 558 PERMITS EXEMPT parking restriction for use on the residential portions of the block set forth above 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 by LAMC Section 80.54.
6. DIRECT the LADOT to post or remove the authorized OPD No. 558 parking restrictions for any of the street segments 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 the LAPD regarding the public nuisance-related crime problem associated with parked vehicles.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that 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 to be deposited in the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On November 8, 2017, your Committee considered an October 25, 2017 LADOT report and Resolution relative to the establishment of OPD No. 558 for the west side of Cahuenga

Boulevard between Waring Avenue and Melrose Avenue and removal from PPD No. 40. Additionally, 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. 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. Finally, 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.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the establishment of OPD No. 558. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES
KORETZ:	YES

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