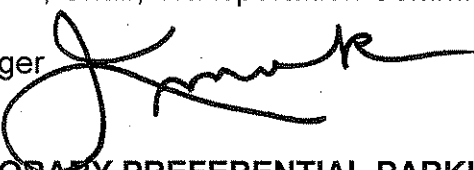


CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

Date: June 17, 2014

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

From: Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager
Department of Transportation 

SUBJECT: **ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING
DISTRICT NO. 190 NEAR WESTSHIRE DRIVE AND WOODHAVEN
DRIVE IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 4**

SUMMARY

This report recommends the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District (TPPD) No. 190 near Westshire Drive and Woodhaven Drive in Council District 4.

RECOMMENDATION

1. FIND that there is a substantial adverse impact from hikers and tourists to the Hollywood sign, who monopolize the on-street parking preventing residents from parking near their homes, 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, pursuant to Section 80.58.d of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (L.A.M.C.), establishing TPPD No. 190, for:
 - a. Westshire Drive between Beachwood Drive and Woodhaven Drive (2 blocks);
 - b. Lechner Place between Westshire Drive and Hollyridge Drive;
 - c. Hollyridge Drive between Lechner Place and Pelham Place; and
 - d. Woodhaven Drive between Westshire Drive and Beachwood Drive.
4. AUTHORIZE the "NO PARKING, 8 AM to 6 PM, SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND HOLIDAYS; DISTRICT NO. 190-PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction for use both sides of all streets in the district.
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. 190, as specified in Section 80.58 of the L.A.M.C.

6. DIRECT the LADOT, upon 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

On August 20, 2013, Councilmember Tom LaBonge presented a Motion to have the Department of Transportation study and report to the Transportation Committee about the current traffic condition and consider the feasibility of immediately establishing an emergency Temporary Preferential Parking District in the appropriate residential areas. The Council Office conducted several community meetings as a result of which he sent a letter to LADOT dated December 12, 2013 requesting establishment of this TPPD to provide the residents immediate relief from excessive non-resident parking for caused by tourists and hikers monopolizing street parking and causing gridlock while looking for parking in the area in order to use the hiking trails or take photographs of the Hollywood sign. The Councilmember believes that residents deserve immediate relief from this situation that lasts until a permanent solution can be found and that the establishment of this TPPD is the only viable and rapid option to address the problem.

BACKGROUND

The establishment of TPPD No.190, 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 only limit parking on Saturday, Sunday and holidays to residents between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and should improve the excessive parking and traffic impacts.

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 Council member of the District and after consultation with the Parking Administrator, deserve immediate relief until a permanent solution can be found."

COORDINATION

Councilmember LaBonge 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. 190. 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

RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 190 NEAR WESTSHIRE DRIVE AND WOODHAVEN DRIVE IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

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 Westshire Drive between Beachwood Drive and Woodhaven Drive (2 blocks); Lechner Place between Westshire Drive and Hollyridge Drive; Hollyridge Drive between Lechner Place and Pelham Place; and Woodhaven Drive between Westshire Drive and Beachwood Drive, are unable to park near their homes or even drive the streets of their neighborhood because non-residents monopolizing the on-street parking in order to hike to the Hollywood sign; 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 4 requesting the establishment of TPPD No. 190 to provide relief to the residents for the enumerated streets (supra) in Council District 4; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d establishes TPPD No. 190, consisting of the residential portions of both sides of the following streets in the City of Los Angeles:

- a. Westshire Drive between Beachwood Drive and Woodhaven Drive (2 blocks);
- b. Lechner Place between Westshire Drive and Hollyridge Drive;
- c. Hollyridge Drive between Lechner Place and Pelham Place; and
- d. Woodhaven Drive between Westshire Drive and Beachwood Drive; and



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of TPPD No. 190 through the adoption of this resolution, that LADOT be authorized to post or remove, the "No Parking, 8 AM to 6 PM, SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND HOLIDAYS; DISTRICT NO. 190 PERMITS EXEMPT" restrictions on all street segments within TPPD No. 190, where parking is not already 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

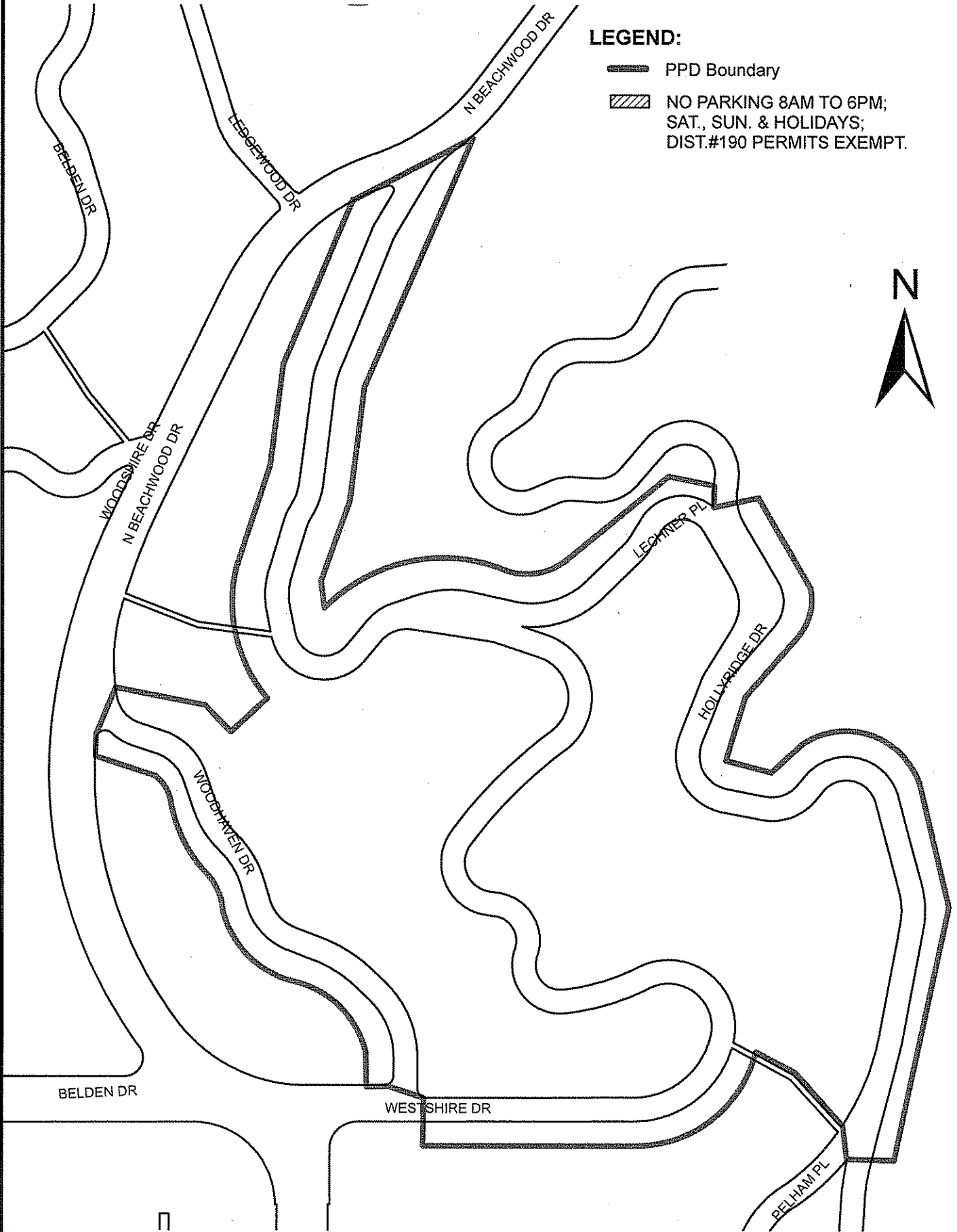
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LADOT be directed to take appropriate steps to prepare, issue and require payments for permits from the residents of TPPD No. 190 in accordance with the LAMC and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs; and

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 190
COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
TEMPORARY

LEGEND:

-  PPD Boundary
-  NO PARKING 8AM TO 6PM;
SAT., SUN. & HOLIDAYS;
DIST.#190 PERMITS EXEMPT.





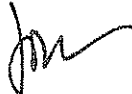
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December 12, 2013

Mr. Jon Kirk Mukri
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Dear Mr. Mukri, 

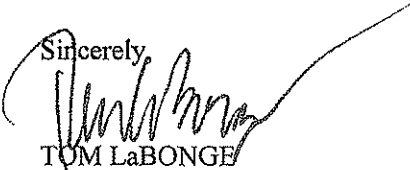
Over the past several months, my office has been working with the Department of Transportation and community leaders in the Beachwood Canyon and Hollywoodland area on issues and concerns within their neighborhoods. I am very grateful to LADOT staff for their hard work and dedication. These communities have experienced parking- and traffic-related challenges due to their proximity to the Hollywood Sign and Griffith Park. The influx of visitors looking for parking is much greater on weekends and holidays, resulting in gridlock that has only grown more severe with the prevalence of Global Positioning Systems (GPS) and other new technologies. The most important priority for the City is ensuring open vehicular access to these streets, particularly for emergency vehicles.

At this time, there does not seem to be any other viable rapid solution to this problem other than the implementation of a Preferential Parking District. I support the posting of "NO PARKING ANYTIME 8:00 AM TO 6:00 PM, WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT #TBD PERMITS EXEMPT" parking restrictions for both sides of any street in the district, except where parking is prohibited for safety reasons. Accordingly, please initiate the process of establishing a Temporary Preferential Parking District for the following five blocks:

1. Westshire Dr. from Beachwood Dr. to Lechner Pl.
2. Lechner Pl. from Westshire Dr. to Hollyridge Dr.
3. Hollyridge Dr. from Lechner Pl. to Pelham Pl.
4. Westshire Dr. from Lechner Pl. to Woodhaven Dr.
5. Woodhaven Dr. from Westshire Dr. to Beachwood Dr.

I am committed to expediting the establishment of this PPD so that all efforts are made to implement it before the summer tourist season. Among my staff, the point people for this project are my Director of Field Operations, Tracy James, who can be reached by tracy.james@lacity.org, and my field deputy for the Greater Griffith Park Area, Daniel Halden, who can be reached at daniel.halden@lacity.org. Thank you again for your assistance.

Sincerely,


TOM LaBONGE

Councilmember, Fourth District

CC: Felix Valde & Tamara Martin, LADOT; Interested Community Members

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