

MOTION

TRANSPORTATION

On September 14, 2016, Governor Jerry Brown signed into law AB 2491 (Nazarian); which added Section 22500.2 to the California Vehicle Code (CVC), authorizing a local authority to enact an ordinance prohibiting a person from stopping, parking, or leaving standing a vehicle, whether attended or unattended, except if necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or official traffic control device, within 15 feet of a driveway that is used by an emergency vehicle owned or operated by a police department, ambulance service care provider, or general acute care hospital, to enter or exit a police station, ambulance service provider facility, or general acute care hospital.

This legislation stemmed from complaints received from the Los Angeles Police Department, North Hollywood Division, about difficulties their vehicles had exiting the driveways of the police station due to parked and queued traffic along Burbank Boulevard. The delays from parked or queued traffic that have adversely affected emergency vehicles attempting to exit the police stations driveways, have similarly affected other emergency vehicles attempting to exit the driveways of ambulance companies, as well as those vehicles entering or exiting the driveways of hospitals, and have led to increased response times by first providers during emergencies.

The Police Department is seeking similar treatment to what is already provided to the Fire Department driveways, that are able to be posted with "Keep Clear" regulatory signs and markings, under CVC Section 22500.(d).

Under the new Section 22500.2 of the California Vehicle Code, the City is now able to offer "Keep Clear" regulatory signs and pavement markings at the driveways of these emergency service providers, similar to the treatment that is currently authorized for Fire Station driveways under Section 22500.(d).

I THEREFORE MOVE to instruct the City Attorney's Office, with assistance from the Department of Transportation, to prepare an ordinance, based on AB 2491 (Nazarian), modifying the Los Angeles Municipal Code, to authorize the Department of Transportation to provide appropriate curb markings or "Keep Clear" pavement markings and post signs that delineate the area where stopping, parking, or leaving standing of a vehicle will be prohibited.

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