


**BOARD REPORT
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Date: June 13, 2019

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

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

Subject: **ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 282 IN THE PALMS AREA IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 5**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the establishment of Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 282 in the Palms area of Council District (CD) 5.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FIND that the businesses and their employees cause adverse parking impacts on the adjacent residential blocks from which the residents deserve immediate relief.
2. FIND that the establishment of PPD No. 282, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (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.
3. ADOPT the accompanying Resolution establishing the boundaries of PPD No. 282, pursuant to the City Council's March 16, 2016, "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts," to include the residential area of the following blocks:
 - Palms Boulevard between Sepulveda Boulevard and Overland Avenue
 - Overland Avenue between Palms Boulevard and Francis Place
 - Francis Place between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
 - Glendon Avenue between Francis Place and Venice Boulevard
 - Venice Boulevard between Glendon Avenue and Westwood Boulevard
 - Westwood Boulevard between Venice Boulevard and Charnock Road
 - Charnock Road between Westwood Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard
 - Sepulveda Boulevard between Charnock Road and Westminster Avenue
 - Westminster Avenue between Sepulveda Boulevard and dead end
 - Tuller Avenue between Westminster Avenue and dead end
 - Sepulveda Boulevard between Westminster Avenue and Palms Boulevard
4. AUTHORIZE the following parking restrictions for use on the residential portions of all streets in PPD No. 282 except as noted:

- 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
5. INSTRUCT LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within PPD No. 282, as specified in Section 80.58 of the LAMC.
 6. DIRECT LADOT to post or remove the authorized parking restrictions on the residential portions of the street segments enumerated in Recommendation No. 3, except for areas where parking is currently prohibited in the interest of traffic flow or public safety.
 7. DIRECT LADOT to post or remove the authorized parking restrictions upon receipt and validation of petitions containing signatures from at least 75 percent of the dwelling units covering more than 50 percent of the developed frontage on a street segment requesting installation or removal of the parking restrictions set forth in Recommendation No. 4, after establishment of this PPD by the City Council, without further action of the City Council.

BACKGROUND

The Preferential Parking Program is set forth in Section 80.58 of the LAMC. It provides for the establishment of a PPD by Resolution of the City Council, upon recommendation by LADOT, and authorizes the Department to promulgate rules and procedures to implement the City's Preferential Parking Program, which must be approved by the City Council. Establishment of a PPD is initiated by request from a representative of the affected neighborhood group or by the area's Councilmember. However, the area must meet the criteria set forth in the "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts" adopted by the City Council before establishment or expansion may be allowed.

The "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts" approved by the City Council on March 16, 2016, allows the LADOT to recommend a PPD provided all the following conditions are met:

1. Submittal and verification of petitions requesting such action signed by the residents living in at least 75 percent of the dwelling units comprising not less than 50 percent of the developed frontage on a minimum of six blocks.
2. Determination by LADOT that at least 85 percent of the legal on-street parking spaces are occupied on a minimum of four blocks.
3. The Board of Transportation Commissioners conducts a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the preliminary findings and recommendation of LADOT.

Residents of the area designated as a PPD may purchase special parking permits. Vehicles bearing such permits are exempt from the preferential parking restrictions posted within the district for which the permit was issued. The exemption only applies to the preferential parking regulations on those signs,

not to regulations of a general nature that may have been installed for traffic movement or street cleaning purposes.

Parking is currently allowed in this area, and the establishment of this PPD involves negligible or no expansion to existing use; therefore the establishment of this PPD falls within the Class 1 categorical exemption of section 15301(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and the 2002 City CEQA Guidelines, Article III.1.a.3.

DISCUSSION

On December 1, 2017, LADOT met with CD 5 staff and residents of the affected area to discuss the parking issues affecting their neighborhood. The residents sought relief and a solution to the spillover and intrusive parking from non-resident vehicles parking for excessive periods of time. The impact from these vehicles coupled with minimal off-street parking resulted in the residents being unable to find parking within their community. LADOT, CD 5 staff, and residents discussed alternatives, but no permanent or temporary solution was found, other than to establish a PPD.

On January 5, 2018, LADOT received the attached letter from Councilmember Paul Koretz's office requesting a permanent PPD.

The residents provided signed petitions from blocks listed below. A block is defined as a street segment between two intersecting streets. The following seven blocks submitted petitions representing more than 75 percent of the dwelling units on both sides of the street covering more than 50 percent of the developed frontage on each block:

- Westminster Avenue between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Westminster Avenue between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Tabor Street between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Tabor Street between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Charnock Road between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Glendon Avenue between Westminster Avenue and Tabor Street
- Glendon Avenue between Tabor Street and Charnock Road

Parking Analysis

LADOT staff conducted the parking study on Saturday, February 10, 2018, between the hours of 5:00 PM and 7:30 PM, and determined that the following seven blocks in the proposed established area have a parking occupancy of at least 85 percent of the available legal parking spaces, thus satisfying the parking study criteria set forth in the "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts."

- Westminster Avenue between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Westminster Avenue between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Tabor Street between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing PPD No. 282. Violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in citation fines deposited into the General Fund.

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Attachments:

- Resolution
- Letters from Councilmember Paul Koretz
- PPD No. 282 Maps

RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 282 IN THE PALMS AREA IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles City Council, by Ordinance No. 152,722, effective September 2, 1979, revised by Ordinance No. 157,425, effective March 18, 1983, amended by Ordinance No. 161,414, effective July 26, 1986, and further revised by Ordinance No. 171,029, effective June 1, 1996, provided for the establishment of Preferential Parking Districts (PPD) by Resolution of the City Council in each case. City Council adopted the latest revisions on March 16, 2016, Council File 15-0600-S62, under Section 80.58 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to LAMC Section 80.58.k, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) promulgated "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts", revised by Ordinance No. 177,845, effective September 30, 2006, and an amendment by Ordinance No. 180,059, adopted by the City Council on August 30, 2008, which further updated the permit fees; and

WHEREAS, the residents in the Palms neighborhood experience difficulties finding parking on their block due to minimal off street parking and non-resident parking; and

WHEREAS, LADOT made the determination that the signed petitions represent residents living in at least 75 percent of the dwelling units comprised of more than 50 percent of the developed frontage on at least six blocks; and

WHEREAS, LADOT conducted parking studies, which indicated that seven blocks in the proposed established area have a parking occupancy of at least 85 percent of the available legal parking spaces, thus meeting the criteria set forth in the "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts"; and

WHEREAS, LADOT determined that the signatures submitted represent at least 75 percent of the dwelling units on the residential portions of the following seven blocks, which is sufficient to warrant the installation of the requested preferential parking restriction signs upon City Council approval of this resolution.

- Westminster Avenue between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Westminster Avenue between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Tabor Street between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Tabor Street between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Charnock Road between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Glendon Avenue between Westminster Avenue and Tabor Street
- Glendon Avenue between Tabor Street and Charnock Road

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, pursuant to LAMC Section 80.58.d establishes PPD 282, consisting of the residential portions of the blocks indicated below:

- Palms Boulevard between Sepulveda Boulevard and Overland Avenue
- Overland Avenue between Palms Boulevard and Francis Place
- Francis Place between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue

- Glendon Avenue between Francis Place and Venice Boulevard
- Venice Boulevard between Glendon Avenue and Westwood Boulevard
- Westwood Boulevard between Venice Boulevard and Charnock Road
- Charnock Road between Westwood Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard
- Sepulveda Boulevard between Charnock Road and Westminster Avenue
- Westminster Avenue between Sepulveda Boulevard and dead end
- Tuller Avenue between Westminster Avenue and dead end
- Sepulveda Boulevard between Westminster Avenue and Palms Boulevard

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of PPD No. 282, LADOT be authorized to post or remove the following preferential parking restrictions on any of the blocks within the district, without further action by the City Council, upon receipt and verification of requisite petition(s) as provided for in the adopted "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts."

- 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of PPD No. 282, LADOT be authorized to post or remove the "NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 282 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction on both sides of the following residential portions of the blocks for which residents provided valid signed petitions, without further action by the City Council:

- Westminster Avenue between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Westminster Avenue between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Tabor Street between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Tabor Street between Glendon Avenue and dead end
- Charnock Road between Overland Avenue and Glendon Avenue
- Glendon Avenue between Westminster Avenue and Tabor Street
- Glendon Avenue between Tabor Street and Charnock Road

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LADOT be directed to take appropriate steps to prepare, issue, and require payments for permits for the residents of PPD No. 282 in accordance with LAMC and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs.

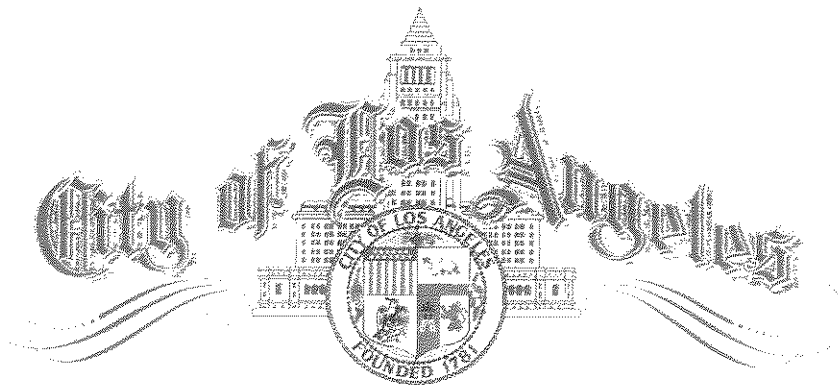
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April 18, 2019

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Dear Ms. Seleta J. Reynolds:

RE: REQUEST FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT

I am requesting the Department of Transportation to begin the process of generating a new Preferential Parking District for the Palms community, per Section 80.58 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

As you are aware, Preferential Parking Districts were created to address the daily intrusion of vehicles belonging to employees and customers from adjacent businesses, and the significant public safety issues brought by these vehicles. Preferential Parking Districts in the City of Los Angeles greatly improve the situation for the residents impacted by this regular occurrence. Should the residents continue without the assistance of a Preferential Parking District, parking will grow scarce and the residents will be forced to park on nearby residential blocks which will further exacerbate parking issues for the neighborhood.

At this time, there does not appear to be any available solution to the lack of parking in the following areas other than the establishment of a new Preferential Parking District. Accordingly, As such, I am requesting that a new Preferential Parking District be created on the following blocks:

1. Charnock Road from Glendon Avenue to Overland Avenue
2. Tabor Street from Tabor Street D/E to Overland Avenue



3. Westminster Avenue from Westminster Avenue D/E to Overland Avenue
4. Glendon Avenue from Palms Boulevard to Westminster Avenue
5. Glendon Avenue from Westminster Avenue to Tabor Street
6. Glendon Avenue from Tabor Street to Charnock Road
7. Tuller Avenue between Westminster Avenue and dead end north of Westminster Avenue

Upon establishment, I support the use and posting of "NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2-HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM WITH DISTRICT # PERMIT S EXEMPT" parking restrictions on any street in the Preferential Parking District once the requisite petitions are submitted and approved. I request that the Department of Transportation proceed with the establishment of a new PPD and to fabricate new signage that reflects the newly created PPD# with the appropriate parking restrictions requested via approved petitions.

If you have any questions, please contact Joseph Galloway of my staff at (323) 866-1828. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Koretz". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

PAUL KORETZ
Councilmember, 5th District

PROPOSED PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 282 PALMS-COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

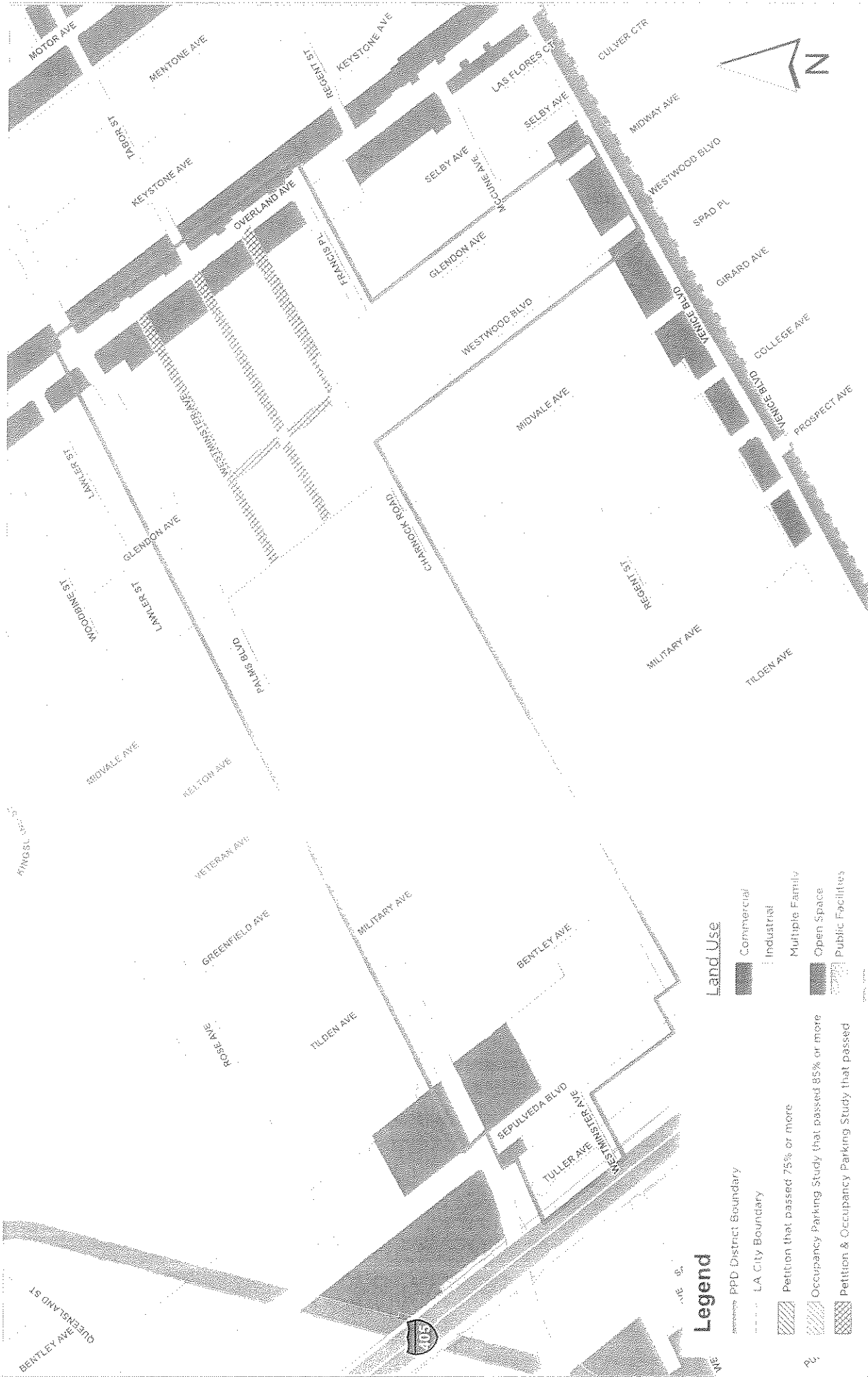


Legend
PPD District Boundary
L.A. City Boundary
405 Freeway

PROPOSED
PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 282
 PALMS-COUNCIL DISTRICT 5
 PETITION, OCCUPANCY PARKING STUDY & LAND USE



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Legend

- PPD District Boundary
- LA City Boundary
- Petition that passed 75% or more
- Occupancy Parking Study that passed 85% or more
- Petition & Occupancy Parking Study that passed

Land Use

- Commercial
- Industrial
- Multiple Family
- Open Space
- Public Facilities

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