BOARD REPORT
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: October 10, 2019

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

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

Subject: ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 286 IN PANORAMA CITY OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the establishment of Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 286 in Panorama City of Council District (CD) 6.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FIND that businesses and their employees and other non-residents cause adverse parking impacts on the adjacent residential blocks from which the residents deserve immediate relief.

2. FIND that the establishment of PPD No. 286, 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. 286, pursuant to the City Council’s March 16, 2016, “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts,” to include all blocks within the residential area bounded by the blocks indicated below:

- Centerline to the south side of Nordhoff Street between Wakefield Avenue and Sylmar Avenue
- Sylmar Avenue between Nordhoff Street and Osborne Street
- Osborne Street between Sylmar Avenue and Hazeltine Avenue
- Hazeltine Avenue between Osborne Street and Roscoe Boulevard
- Centerline to the north side of Roscoe Boulevard between Hazeltine Avenue and Lennox Avenue
- Lennox Avenue between Roscoe Boulevard and Chase Street
- Chase Street between Lennox Avenue and Tilden Avenue
- Tilden Avenue between Chase Street and Rayen Street
- Centerline to the east side of Van Nuys Boulevard between Parthenia Street and Osborne Street
- Osborne Street between Van Nuys Boulevard and Wakefield Avenue
- Wakefield Avenue between Osborne Street and Nordhoff Street
4. AUTHORIZE the following parking restrictions for use on the residential portions of all streets in PPD No. 286:

- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT

5. INSTRUCT LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within PPD No. 286, 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, 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. A request from a representative of the affected neighborhood group or by the area’s Councilmember initiates the establishment of a PPD. 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 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 of at least 75 percent of the dwelling units, covering more than 50 percent of the developed frontage on a minimum of six blocks.

2. Occupation of at least 85 percent of the legal on-street parking spaces on a minimum of four blocks as determined by LADOT.

3. Board of Transportation Commissioners conducts a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the preliminary findings and recommendations 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 installed for traffic movement or street cleaning purposes.

Parking is currently allowed in the 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 of the 2002 City CEQA Guidelines, Article III.1.a.3.

DISCUSSION

On February 27, 2018, LADOT received a letter from Councilmember Nury Martinez requesting the establishment of PPD No. 286. On August 14, 2018, LADOT received a second letter from Councilmember Martinez, which included additional blocks to be included within the boundary for PPD No. 286. The letters indicate that the availability of on-street parking for residents of this community is adversely impacted by the employees and customers of the nearby businesses and shopping center on Van Nuys Boulevard who park in the neighborhood. Councilmember Martinez, LADOT, and the residents of this Panorama City community believe the establishment of PPD No. 286 will provide parking relief to the residents of the area.

Residents of the blocks listed below provided signed petitions to establish PPD No. 286 and post the restriction, “No Parking 6 PM to 8 AM; 2 Hour Parking 8 AM to 6 PM; District No. 286 Permits Exempt”. A block is defined as a street segment between two intersecting streets. The petitions represent at least 75 percent of dwelling units on both sides of the street covering more than 50 percent of the developed frontage on the block.

- Chase Street between Lennox Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Katherine Avenue between Osborne Street and Sunburst Street
- Katherine Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
- Lennox Avenue between Chase Street and Community Street
- Lennox Avenue between Tyrone Avenue and Chase Street
- Lullaby Lane between Community Street and Tyrone Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Katherine Avenue and Sylmar Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Tyrone Avenue and Wakefield Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Wakefield Avenue and Katherine Avenue
- Tyrone Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
- Wakefield Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
- Wakefield Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
Parking Analysis

LADOT staff conducted a parking study on Friday, February 1, 2019, between 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM, and determined that at least 85 percent of the parking spaces on the following four blocks were occupied, thus satisfying the parking study criteria set forth in the “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts”.

- Osborne Street between Katherine Avenue and Wakefield Avenue
- Katherine Avenue between Osborne Street and Sunburst Street
- Tyrone Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
- Sylmar Avenue between Osborne Street and Nordhoff Street

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing PPD No. 286. Violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in citation fines deposited into the General Fund.

Attachments
RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 286 IN PANORAMA CITY OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

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. The latest revision was adopted by City Council on November 6, 2018, 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 adjacent businesses, their employees, and other non-residents who park in the neighborhood adversely impact the availability of on-street parking for residents of this Panorama City neighborhood; and

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

WHEREAS, LADOT conducted parking studies, which indicated that at least four 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 petition signatures submitted represent at least 75 percent of the dwelling units on the residential portions of the 12 blocks listed below, which is sufficient to warrant the installation of the requested preferential parking restriction signs upon City Council approval of this Resolution:

- Chase Street between Lennox Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Katherine Avenue between Osborne Street and Sunburst Street
- Katherine Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
- Lennox Avenue between Chase Street and Community Street
- Lennox Avenue between Tyrone Avenue and Chase Street
- Lullaby Lane between Community Street and Tyrone Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Katherine Avenue and Sylmar Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Tyrone Avenue and Wakefield Avenue
- Parthenia Street between Wakefield Avenue and Katherine Avenue
- Tyrone Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
- Wakefield Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
- Wakefield Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Resolution be adopted by the City Council, establishing PPD No. 286 to include all blocks located within the following boundaries below:

- South side of Nordhoff Street between Wakefield Avenue and Sylmar Avenue
- Sylmar Avenue between Nordhoff Street and Osborne Street
- Osborne Street between Sylmar Avenue and Hazeltine Avenue
- Hazeltine Avenue between Osborne Street and Roscoe Boulevard
- Centerline to the north side of Roscoe Boulevard between Tyrone Avenue and Lennox Avenue
- Lennox Avenue between Roscoe Boulevard and Chase Street
- Chase Street between Lennox Avenue and Tilden Avenue
- Tilden Avenue between Chase Street and Rayen Street
- Centerline to the east side of Van Nuys Boulevard between Parthenia Street and Osborne Street
- Osborne Street between Van Nuys Boulevard and Wakefield Avenue
- Wakefield Avenue between Osborne Street and Nordhoff Street
- Centerline to the south side of Nordhoff Street between Wakefield Avenue and Sylmar Avenue

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of PPD No. 286 through the adoption of this Resolution, LADOT be authorized to post or remove the following preferential parking restrictions on any of the blocks within the district, without further action of 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. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of PPD No. 286 through the adoption of this Resolution, 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. 286 PERMITS EXEMPT" restriction on the residential portions of the following blocks, for which residents provided valid signed petitions, without further action by the City Council:

- Chase Street between Lennox Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Katherine Avenue between Osborne Street and Sunburst Street
- Katherine Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street
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- Tyrone Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
• Wakefield Avenue between Parthenia Street and Grammar Place
• Wakefield Avenue between Rayen Street and Parthenia Street

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LADOT be directed to take appropriate steps to prepare, issue, and require payments for permits from the residents of PPD No. 286 in accordance with LAMC, and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs.
February 27, 2018

Ms. Seleta Reynolds
General Manager
City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation
100 S. Main Street, 10th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Request for Preferential Parking District for Panorama City

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

Please consider this letter as a formal request for the establishment of a Preferential Parking District (PPD) in the community of Panorama City east from Osborne Street to Roscoe Blvd and Tyrone Avenue to Colbath Avenue.

Over the last several months, my staff has been working with the Tyrone Avenue Neighborhood Watch Group, the Department of Transportation and the Los Angeles Police Department to find solutions to the parking issues in this neighborhood. This residential area is often plagued with vehicles of employees and customers from nearby business and shopping center on Van Nuys Blvd, abandoned vehicles, Casino Buses and vehicles that park to smoke narcotics which is limiting the amount of on-street parking that is available to the residents on their blocks. Residents in this area feel that a PPD would help alleviate this unwanted activity in this neighborhood.

I propose a PPD of No Parking 6 PM to 8 AM; 2 Hour Parking 8 AM to 6 PM, with permit holders exempt for the following streets:

Streets:
1.) Tyrone Avenue between Rayen Street and Community Street
2.) Wakefield Avenue between Osborne Street and Roscoe Blvd
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15.) Parthenia Street between Tilden Avenue and Colbath Avenue
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17.) Lennox Avenue between Tyrone Avenue and Roscoe Blvd
18.) Community Street between Lullaby Lane and Lennox Avenue
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20.) Chase Street between Tilden Avenue and Colbath Avenue
21.) Rayen Avenue between Tilden Avenue and Katherine Avenue

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact Elizabeth Jimenez of my staff at 818-771-0236.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

NURY MARTINEZ
Councilwoman, Sixth District

NM:lb
August 14, 2018

Ms. Seleta Reynolds
General Manager
City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation
100 S. Main Street, 10th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Request for Preferential Parking District for Panorama City

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

Please consider this letter as formal amendment to the original request submitted earlier this year to establish a Preferential Parking District (PPD) in the community of Panorama City east from Osborne Street to Roscoe Blvd and Tyrone Avenue to Colbath Avenue.

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23.) Sunburst Street between Wakefield Avenue and Katherine Avenue

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Sincerely,

NURY MARTINEZ
Councilwoman, Sixth District

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PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 286
COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

LEGEND:

- PPD Boundary

PARKING RESTRICTION:
No Parking 6pm-8am; 2 Hr Parking 8am-6pm; District #286 Permits Exempt.