BOARD REPORT  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: November 14, 2019

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

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

Subject: EXPANSION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 4 TO INCLUDE THE 10800 BLOCK OF ASHTON AVENUE IN THE WESTWOOD AREA OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the expansion of Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 4 to include the 10800 block of Ashton Avenue in the Westwood area of Council District (CD) 5 (CF 88-1262).

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FIND that businesses and other surrounding parking districts cause adverse parking impacts on Ashton Avenue between Malcolm Avenue and the dead-end west of Malcolm Avenue, which the residents deserve immediate relief.

2. FIND that the boundary change of PPD No. 4, 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 amending the boundaries of PPD No. 4, pursuant to Section 80.58.d of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to include Ashton Avenue between Malcolm Avenue and the dead-end west of Malcolm Avenue.

4. AUTHORIZE the following parking restrictions for use on both sides of the residential portions within the established district including the street segments set forth in Recommendation No. 3, except where parking is already prohibited for traffic flow or public safety:
   - NO PARKING ANYTIME; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - 2 HOUR PARKING 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY; NO PARKING ALL OTHER TIMES; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - 2 HOUR PARKING 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 EXEMPT
   - 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 6 PM to 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
5. INSTRUCT LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within PPD No. 4, as specified in Section 80.58 of the LAMC.

6. DIRECT LADOT upon City Council adoption of the Resolution expanding the District, to post or remove the authorized parking restrictions upon receipt and verification of the requisite petition, without further action by the City Council.

BACKGROUND

On June 23, 1982, the Los Angeles City Council approved the establishment of PPD No. 4 (CF 88-1262) to provide relief for residents from their adverse parking impacts. The original establishment omitted Ashton Avenue between Malcolm Avenue and the dead-end west of Malcolm Avenue, causing it to be an isolated block segment.

DISCUSSION

On March 7, 2019, LADOT received a letter from Councilmember Paul Koretz requesting the boundary change of PPD No. 4 to include the block indicated in Recommendation No. 3 above. The letter indicated that residents on the 10800 block of Ashton Avenue seek immediate relief and a solution to their inability to park within their neighborhood. Councilmember Koretz, LADOT, and the residents of the affected area believe expanding the boundaries of PPD No. 4 to include the additional block specified in Recommendation No. 3 above, will provide parking relief to the residents of the area. This expansion is permitted in the “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts” dated November 6, 2018, in accordance to Section C.1.b. of the Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts, which states that the minimum size may be waived to allow for a PPD to be established for pocket neighborhoods where the size of the residential neighborhood is comprised of five or fewer blocks which are not connected to any additional residential blocks.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing PPD No. 4. Violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in citation fines deposited into the General Fund.

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Attachments
RESOLUTION

EXPANSION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 4 TO INCLUDE THE 10800 BLOCK OF ASHTON AVENUE IN THE WESTWOOD AREA OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 (CF 88-1262)

WHEREAS, the establishment of Preferential Parking Districts (PPD) is an effective tool in restricting excessive numbers of non-resident vehicles from parking in residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the residents located on the blocks indicated below experience a lack of available parking due to the impact from non-resident vehicles coupled with minimal driveway space, the businesses, several churches, and other surrounding parking districts resulting in the residents unable to find parking within their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) received a written request from Councilmember Paul Koretz of Council District (CD) 5 on March 7, 2019, requesting a boundary change of PPD No. 4; and

WHEREAS, LADOT revised the Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts adopted November 6, 2018, to allow for the minimum number of the required blocks for a PPD that is comprised of five or fewer blocks, which are not connected to any additional residential blocks; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.58.d provides for the establishment of PPD No. 4, which was established by City Council on July 12, 1988. PPD No. 4 includes the residential area currently bounded by:

- Wilshire Boulevard between Malcolm Avenue and Manning Avenue
- Manning Avenue between Wilshire Boulevard and Ohio Avenue
- Ohio Avenue between Manning Avenue and the alley east of Westwood Boulevard
- Alley east of Westwood Boulevard between Ohio Avenue and Wellworth Avenue
- Wellworth Avenue between the alley east of Westwood Boulevard and Malcolm Avenue
- Malcolm Avenue between Wellworth Avenue and Wilshire Boulevard

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, pursuant to LAMC Section 80.58.d hereby authorizes a boundary change of PPD No. 4 to include the residential area Ashton Avenue between Malcolm Avenue and the dead-end west of Malcolm Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LADOT be authorized to post or remove Parking Permit restrictions on all street segments within PPD No. 4, except where parking is already prohibited for traffic flow or public safety, without further action by the City Council, upon receipt and verification of the requisite petition(s) as provided for in the “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts” adopted by the City Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 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 the requisite petition(s) as provided for in the adopted “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts.”
• NO PARKING ANYTIME, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• 2 HOUR PARKING 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY; NO PARKING ALL OTHER TIMES, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• 2 HOUR PARKING 7 AM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT
• NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 4 PERMITS EXEMPT

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. 4 in accordance with the LAMC and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs.
March 7, 2019

Ms. Michelle Cayton
Los Angeles Department of Transportation
Preferential Parking District Management
100 S. Main Street, 10th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Ms. Cayton:

The residents on the 10800 block of Ashton have contacted my office regarding the lack of access to street parking near their home. Therefore, I am requesting that the 10800 block of Ashton be included within Preferential Parking District 4 boundaries. This block is the only one in the area that is not included within a PPD. Furthermore, the street currently has “No Parking Anytime” signage.

We greatly appreciate your efforts in approving this request. Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact Jasmine Shamolian of my staff at 323-866-1828 or Jasmine.Shamolian@lacity.org. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

PAUL KORETZ
Councilmember, 5th District