BOARD REPORT
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: March 12, 2020

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

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

Subject: CONVERSION OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 44 IN THE CAHUENGA PASS AREA OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 TO PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 44, AND EXPANSION OF ITS BOUNDARIES

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the conversion of Temporary Preferential Parking District (TPPD) No. 44 in the Cahuenga Pass area of Council District (CD) 4 to Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 44, and expansion of its boundaries.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FIND that patrons of commercial businesses in this Cahuenga Pass neighborhood cause adverse parking impacts on the adjacent residential blocks from which residents deserve immediate relief.

2. FIND that the conversion of TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and the expansion of its boundaries, 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 to convert TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and expand its boundaries, pursuant to the City Council’s November 6, 2018, “Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts,” which currently includes the residential portion of the following blocks:

   • Dos Palos Drive between Bennett Drive and Barbara Court
   • Barbara Court between Cahuenga Boulevard and Dos Palos Drive
   • Barbara Court between Dos Palos Drive and the cul de sac south of Dos Palos Drive
   • Cadet Court between Cahuenga Boulevard and the cul de sac south of Cahuenga Boulevard
   • Bennett Drive between Cahuenga Boulevard and Dos Palos Drive

Expansion to include Bennett Drive between Dos Palos Drive and Cahuenga Boulevard.
4. AUTHORIZE the following parking restrictions for use on the residential portions of all streets in PPD No. 44:
   - NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
   - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS

5. INSTRUCT LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within PPD No. 44, as specified in Section 80.58 of the LAMC.

6. DIRECT LADOT to post or remove the authorized parking restrictions in the residential area 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 the conversion of this TPPD to a PPD by the City Council.

BACKGROUND

On September 20, 2006, the Los Angeles City Council adopted TPPD No. 44 (CF 02-0666) to provide relief for residents from the adverse parking impact caused by employees of commercial businesses on Cahuenga Boulevard, who park on the adjacent residential blocks, making it difficult for residents to park near their homes. At the time of its establishment, LADOT issued a moratorium on the creation of new PPDs which prevented the creation of a larger PPD for the area.

DISCUSSION

On November 13, 2019, LADOT received a letter from Councilmember David E. Ryu requesting the conversion of TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and to amend its boundaries to include the block enumerated in Recommendation No. 3 above. The letter indicates that patrons of commercial businesses in this Cahuenga Pass neighborhood park on the residential blocks, adversely impacting and limiting the parking available to residents of the area. Councilmember Ryu, LADOT, and the residents of this Cahuenga Pass neighborhood believe a conversion of TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and the expansion of its boundaries to include Bennett Drive between Cahuenga Boulevard and Dos Palos Drive, will provide parking relief to the residents of the area. This boundary 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. 44. Violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in citation fines deposited into the General Fund.

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Attachments
RESOLUTION

CONVERSION OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 44 IN THE CAHUENGA PASS AREA OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 TO PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO 44, AND EXPANSION OF ITS BOUNDARIES

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 revisions were adopted by City Council on November 6, 2018, Council File 15-0600-562, 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,” was revised by Ordinance No. 177,845, effective September 30, 2006, and amended by Ordinance No. 180,059, adopted by the City Council on August 30, 2008, which further updated the permit fees; and

WHEREAS, patrons of commercial businesses in this Cahuenga Pass neighborhood adversely impact the availability of on-street parking for residents on the adjacent residential blocks, from which residents deserve immediate relief; 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, City Council established Temporary Preferential Parking District (TPPD) No. 44 in 2006 (CF 02-0666) to address the adverse parking impact caused by employees of commercial businesses on Cahuenga Boulevard, since there was a moratorium on creating new PPDs; and

WHEREAS, TPPD No. 44 currently includes the following blocks:

- Dos Palos Drive between Bennett Drive and Barbara Court
- Barbara Court between Cahuenga Boulevard and Dos Palos Drive
- Barbara Court between Dos Palos Drive and the cul de sac south of Dos Palos Drive
- Cadet Court between Cahuenga Boulevard and the cul de sac south of Cahuenga Boulevard
- Bennett Drive between Cahuenga Boulevard and Dos Palos Drive

WHEREAS, LADOT recommends conversion of TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and the expansion of its boundaries to include Bennett Drive between Dos Palos Drive and Cahuenga Boulevard; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Resolution be adopted by the City Council, converting TPPD No. 44 to PPD No. 44 and expanding its boundaries to include Bennett Drive between Dos Palos Drive and Cahuenga Boulevard; 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 of 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 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
- 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 44 PERMITS

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. 44 in accordance with the LAMC and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs.
November 13, 2019

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

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

My staff has been working with residents in the Cahuenga Pass neighborhood to address ongoing and increasing parking concerns in the area due to restaurants and businesses located on Cahuenga Blvd. The residential neighborhood is experiencing a greater amount of business patrons parking in their neighborhood, leaving few spaces for residents.

A while back, residents sought to restrict parking and created Temporary Preferential Parking District (TPPD) 44.

I write you today to request that the existing TPPD No. 44 be converted to a Preferential Parking District (PPD) and to amend its boundary to include the block indicated below in order to provide parking relief to all residents of this neighborhood.

I ask that petitions be issued with the parking restriction, “2 Hour Parking 8 AM to 6 PM Monday through Friday; Vehicles with District No. 44 Exempt” for the following block:

- Bennett Drive from Dos Palos Dr to Cahuenga Blvd. West.

Thank you for your assistance with this request. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my Field Deputy, Madelynn Taras at madelynn.taras@lacity.org or at 323-957-6415 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

David E. Ryu  
Councilmember, City of Los Angeles, District Four