


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

Date: May 9, 2024

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

From: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager 
Department of Transportation

Subject: **ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 319 IN THE VAN NUYS HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ORDINANCE ZONE SOUTH OF VANOWEN STREET IN COUNCIL DISTRICTS 2 AND 6**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) recommends the establishment of Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 319 in the Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen Street in Council Districts (CD) 2 and 6.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FIND that the establishment of PPD No. 319, 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.
2. FIND that the parking challenges cause adverse parking impacts on the adjacent residential blocks around the Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen Street, from which the residents deserve immediate relief.
3. ADOPT the accompanying Resolution establishing the boundaries of PPD No. 319, pursuant to the City Council's November 6, 2018, "Rules and Procedures for Preferential Parking Districts," to include the blocks within the residential area bounded by the centerline of the following streets (unless specified otherwise):
 - Vanowen Street between Van Nuys Boulevard and Hazeltine Avenue
 - Hazeltine Avenue between Vanowen Street and Victory Boulevard
 - Victory Boulevard between Hazeltine Avenue and Van Nuys Boulevard
 - Van Nuys Boulevard between Victory Boulevard and Vanowen Street
4. AUTHORIZE the following parking restrictions for use on the residential portions of all streets in PPD No. 319:
 - 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
 - NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT

5. INSTRUCT LADOT to initiate the necessary procedures for the preparation and sale of parking permits to residents within PPD No. 319, 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 the establishment of this PPD, without further action by 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. The establishment of a PPD is initiated by a 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 November 6, 2018, 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 of more 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 November 19, 2019, LADOT received the attached letter from Councilmember Paul Krekorian requesting permit parking for the Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen

Street in CD 2. The letter indicated that parking challenges, created by employees from local businesses, were causing adverse parking impacts on the residential blocks. Councilmember Paul Krekorian, LADOT, and the residents of the Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen Street believe the establishment of PPD No. 319 will address the parking concerns in the area. On November 8, 2023, LADOT received a letter from Councilmember Imelda Padilla supporting the establishment of PPD No. 319 in the area within Council District 6.

The residents provided signed petitions from the blocks listed below. A block is defined as a street segment between two intersecting streets. The following 11 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:

- Archwood Street between Calhoun Avenue and Hazeltine Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Calhoun Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Vanowen Street
- Lemay Street between Calhoun Avenue and Katherine Avenue
- Lemay Street between Hazeltine Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Kittridge Street (6600 block)
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Kittridge Street (6700 block)
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Vanowen Street

Parking Analysis

LADOT staff conducted a parking study on Friday, August 12, 2022, between the hours of 12:00 PM and 3:00 PM, and determined that the following four 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.”

- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Gilmore Street between Tyrone Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Hamlin Street between Tyrone Avenue and Sylmar Avenue
- Sylmar Avenue between Kittridge Street and Vanowen Street

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Revenue from the sale of permits will cover the cost of implementing, administering, and enforcing PPD No. 319. Violations of the posted parking restrictions may result in citation fines deposited into the General Fund.

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Attachments

RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 319 IN THE VAN NUYS HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ORDINANCE ZONE SOUTH OF VANOWEN STREET IN COUNCIL DISTRICTS 2 AND 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. City Council adopted the latest revisions 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 residents in the Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen Street neighborhood are experiencing adverse parking impacts as a result of employees from local businesses parking on the adjacent residential blocks from which the residents deserve immediate relief; 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 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 signatures submitted represent at least 75 percent of the dwelling units on the residential portions of the following 11 blocks, which is sufficient to warrant the installation of the requested preferential parking restriction signs upon City Council approval of this Resolution.

- Archwood Street between Calhoun Avenue and Hazeltine Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Calhoun Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Vanowen Street
- Lemay Street between Calhoun Avenue and Katherine Avenue
- Lemay Street between Hazeltine Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Kittridge Street (6600 block)
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Kittridge Street (6700 block)
- Tyrone Avenue between Archwood Street and Vanowen Street

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Resolution be adopted by the City Council establishing PPD No. 319 to include the blocks within the residential area bounded by the centerline of the following streets (unless specified otherwise):

- Vanowen Street between Van Nuys Boulevard and Hazeltine Avenue
- Hazeltine Avenue between Vanowen Street and Victory Boulevard
- Victory Boulevard between Hazeltine Avenue and Van Nuys Boulevard
- Van Nuys Boulevard between Victory Boulevard and Vanowen Street

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 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. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT
- NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 PERMITS EXEMPT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LADOT be authorized to post or remove the "NO PARKING 6 PM TO 8 AM, 2 HOUR PARKING 8 AM TO 6 PM; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 319 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:

- Archwood Street between Calhoun Avenue and Hazeltine Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Calhoun Avenue
- Archwood Street between Katherine Avenue and Tyrone Avenue
- Calhoun Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Lemay Street
- Katherine Avenue between Archwood Street and Vanowen Street
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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. 319 in accordance with LAMC, and Rules and Procedures adopted by the City Council for PPDs.



PAUL KREKORIAN

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCILMEMBER

November 19, 2019

Ms. Seleta Reynolds
General Manager
Los Angeles Department of Transportation

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

I am writing to express my strong support for a Preferential Parking District for residents living in the following areas of Van Nuys Historical Preservation Ordinance Zone south of Vanowen Street:

1. 6700-6799 block of N Katherine Avenue (between Lemay St and Vanowen Street)
2. 14000-14299 blocks of W Archwood Street (between Tyrone and Hazeltine avenues)
3. 14100-14250 blocks of W Lemay St (between Hazeltine and Kittridge avenues)
4. 6600-6799 blocks of N Tyrone Ave (between Kittridge and Vanowen streets)
5. 6700 block of N Calhoun Ave (between Archwood and Lemay streets)

These residents have concerns about the lack of available parking, especially during evening hours after 6 p.m. Creation of a Preferential Parking District will allow permitted vehicles to be parked on the street and ease parking for residents and their guests.

Thank you for considering this request.

Very truly yours,

PAUL KREKORIAN
Los Angeles City Councilmember

November 8th, 2023

Ms. Laura Rubio-Cornejo
General Manager, Department of Transportation
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Cc: Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
Council District 2 Field Staff
Michelle Cayton, LADOT PPD
Felix Valle, LADOT PPD

RE: Support Letter for Expanding Boundaries of Preferential Parking District # 319.

To the Department of Transportation,
I request that the L.A. Department of Transportation (LADOT) begin processing a new Preferential Parking District (PPD) #319 in the Van Nuys community and for its boundaries to expand to Council District 6.

At this time, residents of Council District 2 are working on a new Preferential Parking District, and based on LADOT analysis and petition responses, the signs will only be on streets in Council District 2. Parking is an important issue for CD6 neighborhoods as well, and I support the community's efforts to reduce congestion on their streets. I recommend that LADOT extend the potential boundaries of PPD #319 into Council District 6 to be more inclusive to the whole community/block and allow for future expansion, based on LADOT analysis and community demand.

I request that LADOT expand PPD #319 boundaries into Council District 6 to the following blocks:

- Vanowen Street on the North.
- **Van Nuys Boulevard on the West (CD6).**
- Hazeltine Avenue on the East (in support of CD2 efforts).
- Victory Boulevard on the South.

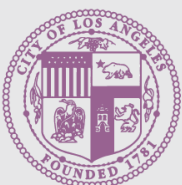
I look forward to working with Van Nuys residents, businesses, LADOT, and our colleagues in Council District 2 in the development of PPD #319.

If you have any questions, please contact the CD6 Area Director, Andres Sandoval, at andres.x.sandoval@lacity.org or 818-778-4999.

Sincerely,



Councilmember
City of Los Angeles, District 6



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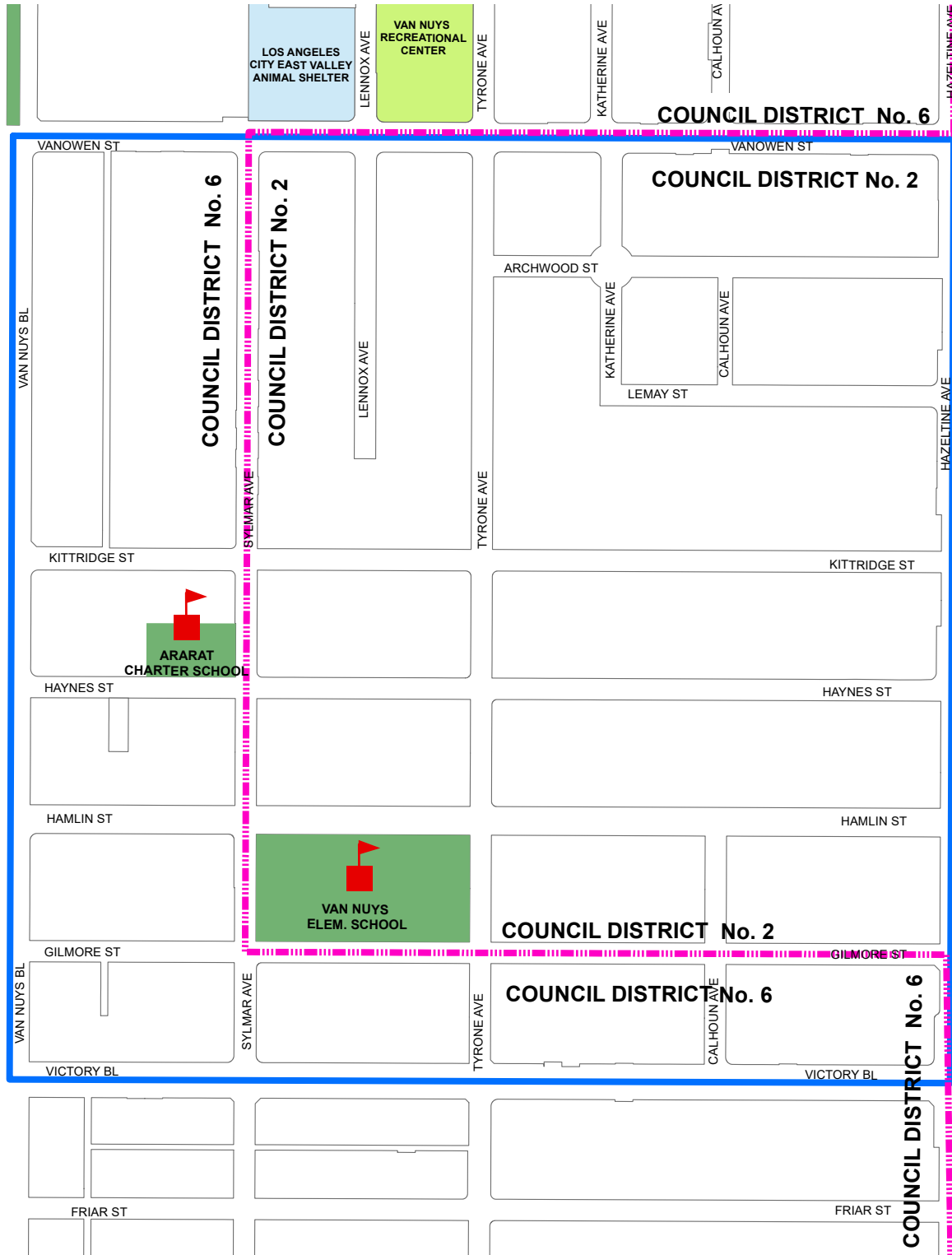
VAN NUYS 14410 Sylvan St. Ste 215, Van Nuys, CA 91401

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PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 319 - PROPOSED
COUNCIL DISTRICT NOS. 2 AND 6
Valley Enforcement



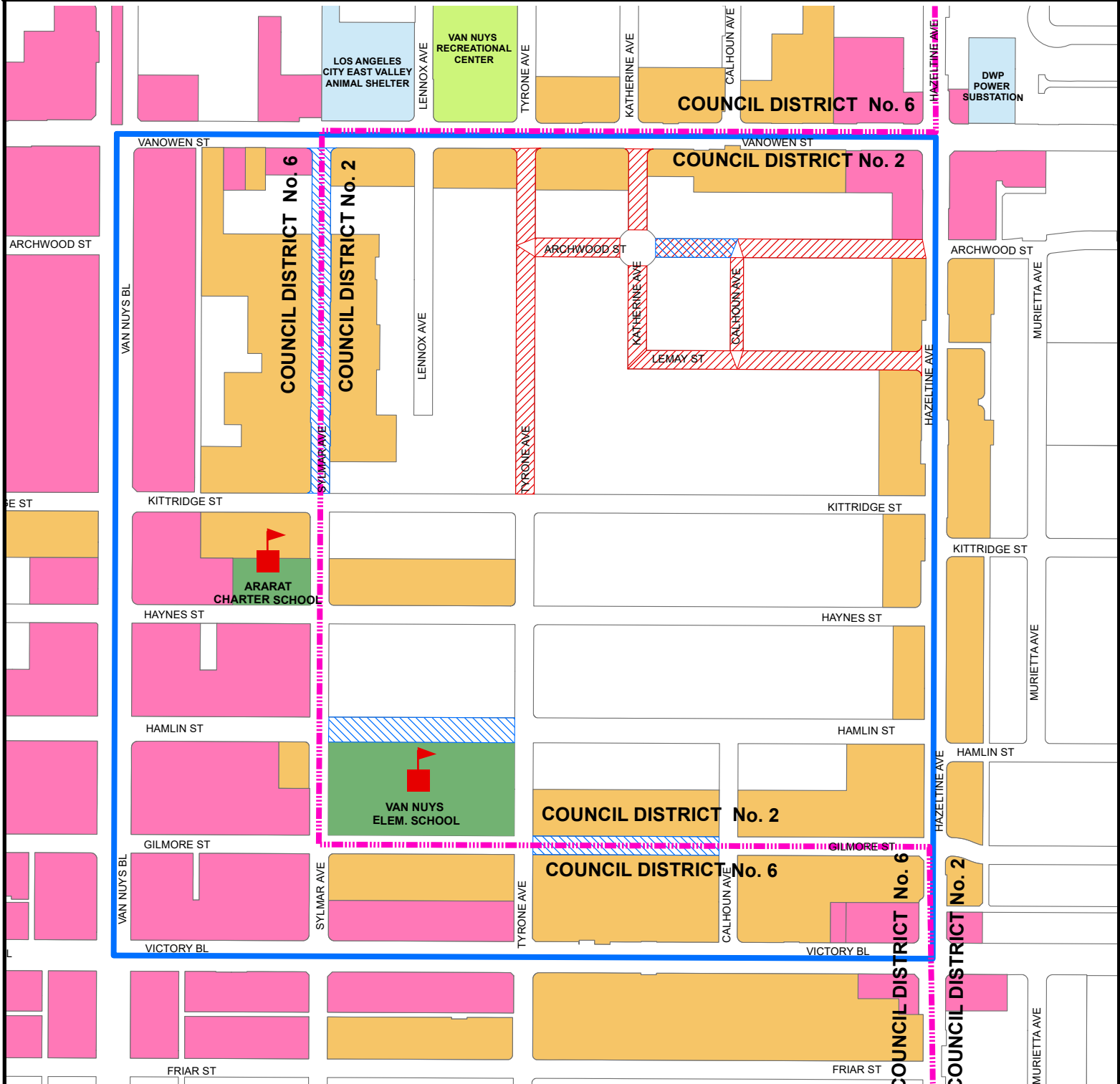
LEGEND:

- PPD No. 319 Boundary
- Council District Limits
- Park Spaces
- Public Facilities
- School





CITY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 319 - PROPOSED
 COUNCIL DISTRICT NOS. 2 AND 6
PETITION, PARKING STUDY AND LAND USE



LEGEND:

- PPD No. 319 Boundary
- Council District Limits
- Multiple Family
- Commercial
- Residential
- Park Spaces
- Public Facilities
- School
- Petition that passed 75% or more.
- Parking Occupancy Study that passed 85% or more
- Petition that passed 75% or more & Parking Occupancy Study that passed 85% or more

