

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

Date: October 9, 2025

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

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



Subject: **AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER TO LEASE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT NO. 681**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) requests authority to enter into an agreement with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to lease Municipal Parking Lot No. 681 as a temporary staging facility for construction laydown, staging, and office use for the recovery efforts related to the Pacific Palisades Fire.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

AUTHORIZE the LADOT General Manager or her designee to enter into an agreement with LADWP to lease Lot No. 681 for the Pacific Palisades Fire recovery efforts for a term of three years.

BACKGROUND

Lot No. 681 is a surface lot located at 15216 Sunset Boulevard, Pacific Palisades, in Council District 11, and contains 25 spaces consisting of 11 one-hour spaces, 13 two-hour spaces, and one Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible space (see Attachment "A"). The lot was open to the public with a metered rate of \$1.50 per hour with operating hours from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM daily. Lot No. 681 offers two-way access directly from Sunset Boulevard, complemented by an additional two-way access point via the alley off La Cruz Drive. Prior to the Palisades Fire, Lot No. 681 generated approximately \$37,500 in annual parking meter revenue deposited into the Special Parking Revenue Fund (SPRF).

The Pacific Palisades Fire significantly impacted the surrounding area of Lot No. 681. The fire burnt down the building adjacent to the lot, on the northwest corner of Sunset Boulevard and La Cruz Drive. In connection with the restoration of the damaged building, the alley access from La Cruz Drive has been reduced to a single lane.

While some businesses may have survived, the parking lot itself is not fully utilized due to the damage of the surrounding area. LADOT removed the paystations after the Palisades Fire since there was little to no parking demand.

DISCUSSION

City departments are actively supporting each other and the public in the recovery efforts of the Palisades Fire. LADWP approached LADOT to potentially lease Lot No. 681 to use as a temporary staging facility for construction laydown, staging, and office use to support the fire recovery effort. LADOT staff is currently negotiating an agreement with LADWP to utilize Lot No. 681, which will be subject to City Attorney review. Due to the urgency of LADWP's need for the temporary staging area, LADOT is concurrently drafting the agreement while requesting the Board's approval for LADWP to use the lot.

The agreement will include the following terms and conditions among other standard provisions:

- **Term of Agreement:** Three years with the start date expected in late October 2025.
- **Reimbursement of Lost Meter Revenue:** LADWP to reimburse LADOT for lost meter revenue in the amounts of \$25,000 for the first year, \$30,000 for the second year, and \$35,000 for the third year.
- **Vehicle Access:** During the period in which access from La Cruz Drive is limited to one lane width, LADWP is responsible for maintaining and providing safe vehicular access from Sunset Boulevard within Lot No. 681. Upon restoration of full vehicular access from La Cruz Drive (two lane width), LADWP can then secure Lot No. 681 and restrict public ingress and egress from Sunset Boulevard.
- **Facility Alterations:** LADWP shall not make any structural changes to Lot No. 681 without prior approval from LADOT.
- **Maintenance and Safety:** LADWP shall maintain the lot in a safe and sanitary condition at all times.
- **Return of the Lot:** At the end of the agreement, LADWP will release Lot No. 681 back to LADOT in its original condition or better from when it operated as a parking lot.

Councilmember Traci Park chairs the Ad Hoc Committee on LA Recovery, which was formed to oversee and coordinate efforts for the recovery of impacted communities, specifically the rebuilding of Pacific Palisades. Her office is in support of this agreement, as it will facilitate the Palisades Fire recovery effort.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no impact to the General Fund. The lease revenue from LADWP in the total amount of \$90,000 over the next three years will offset lost revenue from Lot No. 681 operating as a parking lot given the existing surrounding conditions. All revenue received will be deposited into the SPRF.

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Attachment

ATTACHMENT "A"

SITE MAP

