CITY OF LOS ANGELES

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Temp. PPD No. 83 CD 13 ✓

DATE:

June 21, 2005

TO:

The Honorable City Council

c/o City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall

Attention: Honorable Antonio Villaraigosa, Transportation Committee

FROM:

Wayne K. Tanda, General Manager

Department of Transportation

SUBJECT:

RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT

NO. 83 NEAR THE CHILDRENS HOSPITAL-KAISER PERMANENTE-

VERMONT/SUNSET METRORAIL STATION COMPLEX

C.F. NO. 04-1464

RECOMMENDATIONS for Council action:

- 1. FIND that the parking problem that led to the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 near the Childrens Hospital-Kaiser Permanente-Vermont/Sunset Metrorail Station Complex in Council District 13 still exists and that no permanent solution has been found.
- 2. FIND that the renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the General Exemption (Article II, Section 1 of the 2002 Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines).
- 3. PRESENT and ADOPT the attached RESOLUTION renewing Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 for 12 more months pursuant to Section 80.58.d of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.
- 4. DIRECT the DOT to prepare a Notice of Exemption reflecting Council's actions under Recommendation No. 2 above and file such notice with the City and County Clerks within five working days of the City Council's action.

DISCUSSION:

On September 12, 2000, the City Council adopted a resolution (Goldberg-Feuer, C.F. 99-1380) establishing Temporary Preferential Parking District (PPD) No. 83 on the residential portions of the 4600 block of Maubert Avenue between Vermont Avenue and Rodney Drive (see attached map) and authorizing the installation of a "2 HOUR PARKING, 8 A.M. TO

8 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY; NO PARKING 8 P.M. TO 8 A.M. MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY; VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT NO. 83 PERMIT EXEMPTED" parking restriction anywhere within this Temporary Preferential Parking District. Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 was subsequently renewed (C.F. 04-1464) and is currently due to expire on August 18, 2005.

Background

On June 15, 2005, Councilmember Garcetti sent a letter to DOT (copy attached) acknowledging that the problems that led to the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 still existed and that there seemed to be no other permanent solution to this problem other than the renewal of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83.

The City Council has the authority, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d, to establish temporary preferential parking districts by resolution "to provide relief for residents who suffer an excessive parking impact ... as the result of any conditions which impact fewer than six blocks and which, in the judgement of the Council member of the District and after consultation with the Parking Administrator, deserve immediate relief until a permanent solution can be found". Temporary PPDs are limited in duration to a maximum of 12 months from the date of approval of the resolution. Temporary districts may be renewed on an annual basis by resolution until either a permanent solution is found or the problem ceases to exist.

The proposed temporary preferential parking district would restrict parking in a one-block area for another 12 months. Because of its limited size and duration, DOT has concluded that the proposed temporary preferential parking district could not significantly impact the environment. Therefore, establishment of the district falls within the exemption of section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines and of Article II, Section 1 of the 2002 Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines which provide, "These Guidelines apply generally to discretionary acts which may have a significant effect on the environment. However, where it can be seen with reasonable certainty that the type of activity in question could not possibly have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not covered by CEQA and these Guidelines do not apply."

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There are currently over 100 preferential parking districts citywide that require a staff of approximately 19 DOT employees to: 1) process requests for new districts and modifications to new districts, 2) install and maintain signs, and 3) enforce the preferential parking restrictions. The total cost of the Preferential Parking Program during FY 2004-05 is estimated at \$2.5 million. Approximately \$1.2 million in General Fund revenue is anticipated to be received from the annual sale of over 192,000 Preferential Parking Permits, which will reimburse the City for only 48 percent of the cost of implementation, enforcement and administration of the Preferential Parking Program citywide. A proposal

to increase preferential parking permit fees to a level sufficient to fully recover the costs of operating the Preferential Parking Program will be presented in a separate report.

If the Council approves the Department's proposed permit fee increases, the additional cost of implementing, administering and enforcing Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 will all be covered by the revenue from the sale of permits for the District. Furthermore, the City may gain additional General Fund revenue from the issuance of parking citations to violators of the District's parking restrictions.

COORDINATION:

Councilmember Garcetti has requested the renewal of Temporary PPD No. 83 to provide continued relief to the residents of Maubert Avenue between Vermont Avenue and Rodney Drive, adjacent to the Childrens Hospital - Kaiser Permanente - Vermont/Sunset Metrorail Station complex, from the adverse parking impact they were experiencing prior to the establishment of this District.

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Attachments

RESOLUTION

RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT NO. 83 NEAR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL - KAISER PERMANENTE - VERMONT/SUNSET METRORAIL STATION COMPLEX.

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2000, the Council adopted a Resolution establishing Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83, which was subsequently renewed and is currently due to expire on August 18, 2005, and

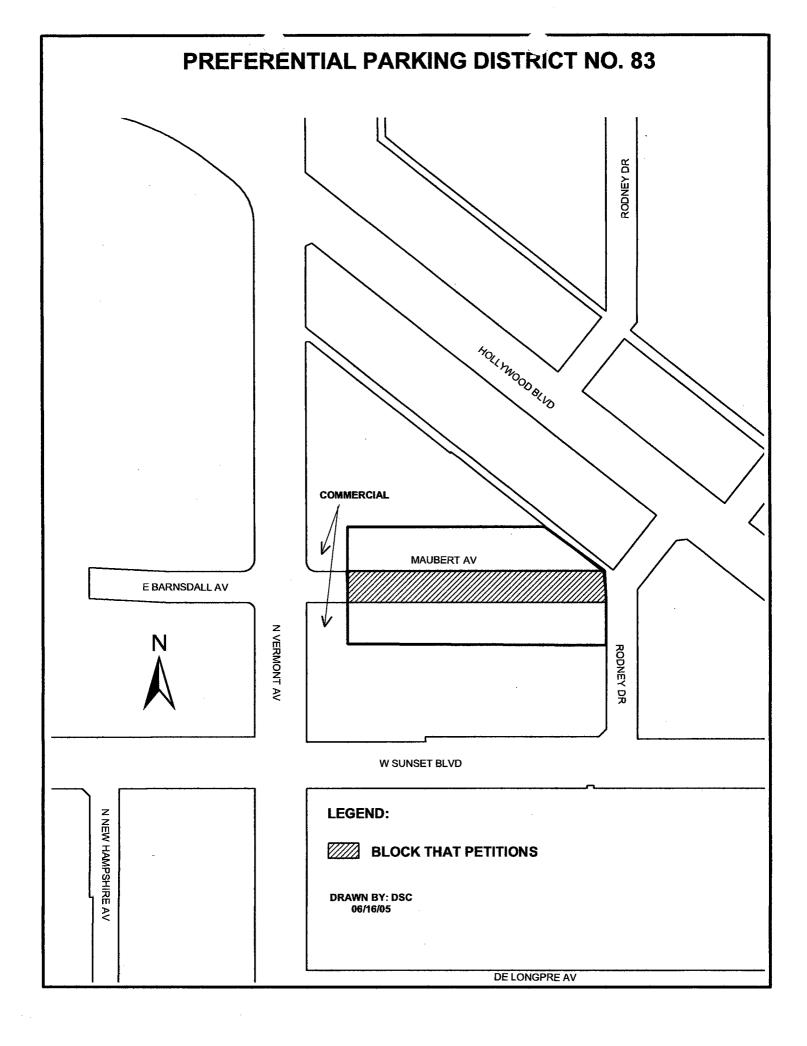
WHEREAS, Councilmember Garcetti has determined that the conditions that originally justified the establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83, which include the daily intrusion of non-resident parkers caused by the closure of hospital parking lots due to major construction at Childrens' Hospital and Kaiser Permanente Hospital regularly precluding the homeowners from parking in front of their own homes, still exist; and no permanent solution to resolve the resultant parking shortage in the neighborhood is available; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Garcetti has requested the renewal of Temporary PPD No. 83 to continue providing relief to the residents of the District from the adverse parking impacts they were experiencing prior to establishment of the District; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d authorizes Temporary Preferential Parking Districts to be renewed on an annual basis by resolution until either a permanent solution is found or the problem ceases to exist.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.58.d hereby renews Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 for an additional 12 months until August 18, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 83 remain unchanged.





LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

Eric Garcetti

Councilmember, District 13

June 15, 2005

Mr. Wayne Tanda General Manager Department of Transportation 100 S. Main Street, 10th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Tanda:

RE: REQUEST FOR RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT (#83)

On August 18, 2004, the City Council renewed a Temporary Preferential Parking District for both sides of Maubert Avenue between Vermont Avenue and Rodney Drive to address the situation where the neighborhood surrounding the Children's Hospital/Kaiser Permanente/Vermont-Sunset Metro Rail Complex is bearing the brunt of a dramatic increase in the demand for parking from patrons and transit users of these new facilities. These adjacent neighborhood streets are used for parking instead of very limited off-street parking facilities which are temporarily affected by construction activities. The homeowners are regularly precluded from parking in front of their own homes. Without the Temporary Preferential Parking District, this situation resulted in an excessive parking impact upon the residents of this street, from which immediate relief was sought.

Those conditions still exist in this neighborhood. Until the major hospital re-construction activities are completed, there does not seem to be any other permanent solution to this problem other than the continuation of the Temporary Preferential Parking District. I support the continued posting of "2 HOUR PARKING, 8 AM to 8 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, NO PARKING 8 PM to 8 AM MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, VEHICLES WITH DISTRICT #83 PERMITS EXEMPTED" parking restrictions; which are posted for both sides of the street on Maubert Avenue between Vermont Avenue and Rodney Drive.

Since the current Temporary Preferential Parking District expires on August 18, 2005, and the problems that justified its implementation still exist, I request that the Department of Transportation proceed with the renewal process for this Temporary Preferential Parking District for one more year. If you have any questions, please contact Baydsar Thomasian of my staff at (323) 913-4693.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI

Councilmember, 13th District

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