

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the processing of applications for Preferential Parking Districts (PPDs).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DIRECT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report to the Transportation Committee in 45 days with revised Rules and Procedures for PPDs and measures necessary to process applications within six months with said report to include, but not be limited, to:
 - a. The LADOT's proposed recommendations for revisions to the procedure for establishing Temporary PPDs.
 - b. The development of sturdier/fade resistant paper permits and stickers.
 - c. The use of hanging parking placards.
 - d. Revisions to allow guest permits to be used on more than one block.
2. INSTRUCT the LADOT to develop a plan to transition from the use of Temporary PPDs to permanent PPDs as the primary tool for establishing preferential parking districts.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that there is no impact to the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On August 26, 2015, your Committee considered an Adopted Budget Recommendation relative to reducing the time it takes to review parking permit applications, resources required to potentially meet a six-month benchmark, and fines for the misuse of permit parking placards. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to continue the matter pending a more full report from the LADOT.

Subsequently, on December 9, 2015, the Committee considered a November 30, 2015 LADOT report in response to the Adopted Budget Recommendation. According to the LADOT, Ordinance No. 152,722, which became effective on September 22, 1979, created the City's Preferential Parking Program. The purpose of the Program was to help provide relief to residential neighborhoods being adversely impacted by non-resident parkers. With the City Council's adoption of the "Rules and Procedures" on April 25, 1986, the goal of the Program was to specifically limit the intrusion of non-residential and commuter parking into residential neighborhoods.

Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.58 allows for the establishment of PPDs pursuant to the Rules and Procedures promulgated by the LADOT and adopted by City Council. Subsequently, pursuant to Ordinance 171,029 (Council File No. 88-2282), changes in the LAMC allowed the LADOT to implement Temporary PPDs (TPPDs) of fewer than six blocks to residents until a permanent solution can be found. Under these changes, the LADOT could establish a parking permit district in small areas which would not qualify under the original process, or in an area where a transitory problem or an emergency situation necessitated establishing a permit parking district


rapidly. On October 15, 2013 Council approved Ordinance 182,703 (Council File No. 11-1987) in which the LAMC was amended to provide for the administrative renewal of TPPDs to reduce time and effort spent seeking Council approval.

The LADOT then stated that as a result of under-staffing in the Parking Permits Division, the lengthy process, and the popularity of the Preferential Parking Program, the LADOT currently faces a backlog of roughly 60 pending requests for district establishments. The majority of these are for TPPDs. Approximately ten requests are for changes in district restrictions or boundaries. There are three active cases which are more than three years old, with the oldest request submitted in May 2010.

After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the November 30, 2015 LADOT report. Additionally, the Committee moved to also recommend that the LADOT report in regard to: developing sturdier/fade resistant paper permits and stickers; the use of hanging parking placards; and revising the appropriate policies and procedures to allow guest permits to be used on more than one block. Finally, the Committee moved to also add a recommendation instructing the LADOT to develop a plan to transition from the use of Temporary PPDs to permanent PPDs as the primary tool for establishing preferential parking districts. This report is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
MARTINEZ:	YES
RYU:	YES

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