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# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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August 1, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

Submitted By: Rene Guerrero, Public Works Director

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT ON STANTON STREET, JAYSON COURT, REX COURT, AND STERLING STREET AND FINDING OF EXTREME HARDSHIP AND WAIVER OF PERMIT FEE**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Open the public hearing regarding the establishment of a preferential parking district on Stanton Street, Jayson Court, Rex Court, and Sterling Street, after receiving comments and testimony, close the public hearing; and
- 2) Adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-127 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, TO ESTABLISH A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT ON STANTON STREET, JAYSON COURT, REX COURT, AND STERLING STREET AND FINDING OF EXTREME HARDSHIP AND WAIVER OF PERMIT FEE**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** Adoption of the Resolution (Attachment No. 1) to establish a preferential parking district on Stanton Street between Harrison Avenue and Edwin Avenue, Jayson Court, Rex Court, and Sterling Street will result in improved quality of life for the neighborhood residents that are negatively affected by an oversaturation of both resident and non-resident parking in the neighborhood. These streets are currently seeing an increase in trash, incomplete street sweeping services, and a lack of parking for residents and their guests. These issues should improve with the creation of a preferential parking district. The first phase will be implementation of Stanton Street between Harrison Avenue and Edwin Avenue. Sterling Street, Jayson Court, and Rex Court will only be implemented at the request of local residents (with min. 75% signature support) if there is parking spillover observed onto these adjacent streets as a result of the first phase implementation.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** All costs associated with the new sign fabrication and installation is estimated to be \$1,000. Costs will be paid from the FY 2022-23 Operating Budget with the State Gas Tax (208-2562-52750-00000) and Measure R (128-2562-52530-00000) Funds. It is expected that Parking Enforcement revenues will see a slight increase, especially upon initial enforcement of the parking restrictions.

**PUBLIC NOTICING REQUIREMENTS:** City staff mailed notices on June 14, 2022, and July 7, 2022. Notices were mailed to the owners and occupants of properties within the proposed parking district, as indicated in the map on Exhibit A to the Resolution (See Attachment 1). In addition, notices were posted in City Hall, near the door of the City Council Chambers, the City Conference Room, and on the City's website.

**PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:** During the July 18, 2022 City Council meeting, staff requested to continue the public hearing of this item to August 1, 2022. Councilmember Torres requested that City Council consider the waiving of the permit fees, however, this request was not included for consideration in the public hearing prior to the release of the meeting agenda. For full transparency, this item was continued to August 1, 2022 to include the recommended fee waiver language.

**DISCUSSION:** Stanton Street, between Harrison Avenue and Edwin Avenue, is a residential street that runs north-south in District 6, and provides the only access to Jayson Court and Rex Court. Sterling Street is parallel to and immediately west of Stanton Street. The parking concerns on Stanton Street began after the completion of 'The Grove' tract homes, a gated community located directly south of Stanton Street. Residents and guests at 'The Grove' often park on immediately adjacent streets in the surrounding area outside of the gated community for convenience or due to the lack on of available parking within the gated community. As such, Stanton Street sees an oversaturation of parked cars causing hardship to the adjacent dwelling units on Stanton Street and negatively affecting their quality of life. Non-resident parking has resulted in increased littering, and a lack of on-street parking for residents and their guests.

Per Pomona Municipal Code Section 58-239, the prerequisites for the establishment of a preferential parking district are as follows: 1) residents in the area shall provide a petition signed by residents living in at least 75 percent of adjacent dwelling units; or 2) City Council, on its own motion, after a duly noticed public hearing, may commence the consideration of a preferential parking district. If the City establishes the District, then only vehicles with on-street parking permits may park in the District. City staff anticipates that the City will receive an increase in parking citation revenue after the restricted parking signage is posted and enforced.

In addition to receiving a petition (at least 75%) signed by Stanton Street residents, staff reviewed the area and observed Stanton Street and Harrison Avenue have the most available on-street parking throughout the day. Harrison Avenue appears to be the appropriate place to allow overspill parking from The Grove, as it abuts their own property frontage. Staff recommends the establishment and implementation of a preferential parking district on Stanton Street (between Harrison Avenue and Edwin Avenue). Staff also recommends including Sterling Street, Jayson Court, and Rex Court as part of this preferential parking district, but will only implement it later upon receipt of a separate petition (at least 75% signatures).

Pursuant to Pomona Municipal Code Section 58-239(k), preferential parking permit applicants shall pay a fee, which shall cover the cost of administering the preferential parking program. Pursuant to Pomona Municipal Code Section 2-4, the City Council may waive the permit fee if the City Council finds that the fee would pose an extreme hardship on permit applicants and that waiving the fee would be in the best interest of the public. City Staff recommends the Council make a finding of extreme hardship, and waive the permit fee for residents within preferential parking district, if established.

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2022-127  
Attachment No. 2 – Public Notice Letter