

Date:

September 20, 2016

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:

Councilwoman Suzie Price, Third District &

Councilmember Daryl Supernaw, Fourth District

Subject:

**Oversized and Recreation Vehicle Parking Restrictions** 

## INTRODUCTION:

Oversized and recreational vehicle (RV) parking is a growing issue throughout Long Beach residential and business streets. In March the Public Works Department provided a memo acknowledging the need for increased clarity on this issue and for it to be applied throughout the city rather than the current piecemeal approach.

Constituents report that vehicles are parked in front of homes and businesses for weeks or even months at a time, taking up valuable parking spaces, blocking view corridors, and limiting access to driveways and alleys. In many cases the occupant is illegally living inside the vehicle. Additionally, residents have observed several instances of individuals disposing waste from vehicles into storm water drains as well as reports of portable gas generators being used as a power source.

As the summer months come to a close fewer families will be using RVs and trailers for recreation activities, so this is an appropriate time of year to address a change to the municipal code that would provide adequate time for residents to become aware of any changes before major travel months are upon us.

Our goal is to work collaboratively to find a solution that protects the quality of life that residents deserve and enables the City to better enforce the City's current ordinance of no camping on public property.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The city council is requesting the City Attorney draft a citywide ordinance restricting oversized and recreational vehicles in residential and commercial corridors based on elements from the surrounding cities of Lakewood, Costa Mesa and Westminister like:

- No RV shall be parked on any street or alley for more than 48 consecutive hours.
- RVs and trailers not registered to a Long Beach address cannot park on streets without a daily temporary permit.
- RVs registered to a Long Beach address may park on the block they are registered to for no more than 48 hours consecutively.
- RVs may not be repark within one fifth of a mile from any prior permitted location within 24 hours.
- Nonmotorized vehicles may be parked for the sole purpose of actively loading and unloading for a no more than 24 hours.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**



There is no significant fiscal impact with the delivery of this report.