

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

333 West Ocean Boulevard . Long Beach, CA 90802

August 23, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Request the City Attorney to prepare an amendment to Section 10.14.020 of the Long Beach Municipal Code, adding a new subsection to read: (District 5)

"112. (Westbound) The Willow Street Service Road between Josie Avenue and a point 500 feet west of Josie Avenue."

DISCUSSION

The Traffic Engineering Division received a request from Emerson Parkside Academy Charter School for the conversion of the Willow Street Service Road between Josie Avenue and a point 500 feet west of Josie Avenue from a two-way to a one-way street in the westbound direction. Congestion has been occurring on this portion of the service road during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal periods at Emerson Parkside Academy due to parked vehicles, school buses and the loading and unloading of passengers along the service road. The aforementioned activity occurring on school days and the relatively narrow width of the service road has hindered two-way circulation. The proposed one-way westbound operation on the service road will provide for a more efficient, safer circulation pattern of school traffic.

Staff has reviewed this proposal and determined that the proposed one-way operation will have no adverse effects on traffic circulation or safety and, therefore, has no objections to this proposal. In addition, a review of this proposal by other applicable City departments and service providers, including the Long Beach Unified School District, did not disclose any expected adverse impacts on their respective operations.

The attached location map highlights the location of the proposed one-way operation.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Lisa Peskay Malmsten on July 28, 2005 and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on July 27, 2005.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of labor and materials for the installation of traffic controls in order to implement the proposed one-way operation is estimated at \$750. Sufficient funds are budgeted in the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Public Works (PW) to support this activity.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

CHRISTINE F. ANDERSEN

APPROVED:

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

GERALD R. MILLER CITY MANAGER

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