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June 21, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
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RECOMMENDATION:

Proposal to Repeal the Preferential Parking District "U" (District 7)

DISCUSSION

The Traffic Engineering Division has received a request from the residents of Preferential Parking District "U" for the repeal of their preferential parking district and the removal of the accompanying two-hour parking restrictions. Preferential Parking District "U" comprises the residential portion of the north side of Thirty-Sixth Street from the alley west of Cherry Avenue to Gardenia Avenue and the south side of Thirty-Sixth Street from Gardenia Avenue to Cherry Avenue; and both sides of Gardenia Avenue, from Thirty-Sixth Street to the alley north of Wardlow Road (see attached map).

In response to the residents' request, staff conducted a parking review of the area during various times of the day. This review confirmed the residents' contention that employees and patrons of near-by businesses are no longer significantly impacting on-street parking availability for residents of the area. In addition, only 15 preferential parking permits have been issued in Preferential Parking District "U" this year. Based on these findings, the City Traffic Engineer has concluded that the parking conditions in the neighborhood that originally warranted the establishment of the District are no longer present and that a substantial number of eligible residents are no longer participating in the preferential parking program.

A petition circulated among the 44 residential properties within Preferential Parking District "U" revealed that 85 percent of the residents are in favor of the repeal of the preferential parking district and its accompanying two-hour parking restriction.

Therefore, in consideration of the above findings, the City Traffic Engineer recommends the repeal of Preferential Parking District "U" and the removal of the accompanying two-hour parking restriction.

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This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Lisa Malmsten on May 18, 2005, and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on June 21, 2005.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on June 21, 2005, to expedite the removal of the existing parking restrictions to better accommodate resident parking demands.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of the removal of the existing preferential parking signs is estimated at \$1,000. 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,



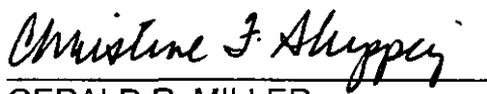
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Attachment

APPROVED:


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