

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING A TEMPORARY PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING PROHIBITION ON THE 1900 BLOCK OF HENDERSON AVENUE

WHEREAS, Henderson Avenue between 19th Street and 20th Street in the City of Long Beach has a significant history of crime, particularly drug offenses, and other nuisance behavior; and,

WHEREAS, a prior temporary closure of Henderson Street had a deterrent effect on crime; and

WHEREAS, the City Prosecutor and the Chief of Police are of the opinion that prohibiting parking, standing and or stopping on the 1900 block of Henderson Avenue would benefit public health and safety, in that such action would have the effect of deterring crime, particularly drug-related offenses, by temporarily removing the cars that are used either to commit crimes or conceal such offenses; and

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer concurs with the recommendation to prohibit stopping, standing and or parking on the 1900 block of Henderson Avenue on a temporary basis, and has determined that such prohibition would not have a negative effect on traffic safety or circulation; and

WHEREAS, the City Prosecutor, the Chief of Police and the City Traffic Engineer intend to collect and review data on the effectiveness of this temporary traffic restriction. Following the review of said data, if the temporary parking, standing and stopping restrictions prove to be an effective deterrent to crime and has no negative effect on traffic safety or circulation, the City Traffic Engineer, the Chief of Police and the City Prosecutor request that the City Council authorize a second temporary no parking, standing or stopping restriction for a period of ninety days along the 1900 block

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1 of Henderson Avenue. This second ninety day temporary no parking, standing or
2 stopping restriction would be implemented, if warranted by the data collected and
3 reviewed, at the discretion of the City Prosecutor, the Chief of Police and the City
4 Traffic Engineer.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
6 follows:

7 Section 1. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to post signs prohibiting
8 the parking, standing and stopping of all vehicles on the 1900 block of Henderson
9 Avenue for a thirty (30)-day period following the installation of signs by the City Traffic
10 Engineer. Said thirty (30)-day period may be extended by the City Traffic Engineer for
11 an additional ninety (90) days without further authorization from this City Council if he
12 determines, in consultation with the Chief of Police and the City Prosecutor, that such
13 extension is in the best interests of the public health and safety.

14 Sec. 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by
15 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

16 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
17 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2005

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by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

Noes: Councilmembers: _____

Absent: Councilmembers: _____

City Clerk

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