

Memorandum City of Long Beach

# Office of Councilmember Steven Neal Councilmember, 9<sup>th</sup> District

Date:

October 16, 2012

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:

Councilmember Steven Neal, Ninth District

Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell, Fourth District

Councilman Al Austin, Eighth District &

Subject:

**Temporary Construction Preferential Parking Permit** 

#### Recommendation:

Request the City attorney to prepare an ordinance amending the LBMC to implement a temporary Construction Preferential Parking District, for areas of the city subject to severe parking impacts due to temporary construction activity.

The ordinance will allow the creation of a temporary preferential parking program for residents adjacent to construction sites, with following parameters:

- Construction activity must be for a duration of no less than 2 weeks and no more than 6 months, with the possibility of 2 six-month extensions if construction continues; otherwise, the PPD terminates upon completion of construction
- Traffic Engineer's Office will administer, include determining appropriate boundaries for district; confirming severity of impact; verifying construction dates; and issuing temporary parking permits.
- District must be posted with signs indicating limited parking and requiring permit before warnings and citations can be issued
- Up to three permits per residence, at no charge due to the temporary nature of the district

#### Background:

In August 2012, construction began on the campus of El Camino College, Compton Center on its facilities and parking lot, lasting until approximately mid-year 2013.

During construction, the college has opened its East entrance to the campus, which opens to the College Square Neighborhood within the City of Long Beach. This entrance is considerably closer to the classrooms than the campus main entrance, effectively creating a significant temporary impact to Long Beach residents, as hundreds of students seek parking in the adjacent neighborhood on a daily basis.

Our current Long Beach Municipal Code prescribes a process for establishing permanent preferential parking districts, but does not allow the flexibility to address temporary parking impacts due to construction through the establishment of a temporary district. The proposed ordinance would provide a remedy for neighborhoods impacted by long-term construction projects, not currently contemplated by the LBMC.

By establishing a Temporary Construction Preferential Parking Program, residents and neighborhoods are better protected from construction related parking impacts.

### Fiscal Impact:

The temporary nature of this program does not have significant costs associated with fabrication of permanent signage and enforcement; therefore the impact to the general fund would be minimal.

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### **REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM**

Date:

October 16, 2012

To:

Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From:

Councilmember Steven Neal, Ninth District

Subject:

Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of October 16, 2012

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

Temporary Construction Preferential Parking Permit

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District	Councilmember	Signed-by
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Attachment: Transmittal page dated October 16, 2012