# **MINUTES**

# TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMISSION MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009, 4:00 P.M. City Council Chamber, City Hall

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: David Rizzo

Rob Hallstrom

Edmundo Duvgnau, Chair

Robert Duncan Jay Park

COMMISSIONER ABSENT Stephen Hall, Vice Chair

Johnnie Simmons

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Miller. City Traffic Engineer

Dave Langstaff, Traffic Engineering Analyst Sgt. Steve Williams, Fullerton Police Department

Van Xayarath, Engineering Aide III

Stacy Matsumoto, Acting Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Chair Duvignau at 4:00 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION made by Commissioner Hallstrom, SECONDED by Commissioner Rizzo, and CARRIED unanimously, that the Minutes of the August 3, 2009 meeting be APPROVED as written.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The following item was heard out of order.

# Disabled Person's Parking – 815 W. Amerige Avenue

City Traffic Engineer, Mark Miller presented the request of the property owners at 815 W. Amerige Avenue requesting installation of disabled parking in front of their home for their son who is restricted to a wheelchair. On street parking in front of their home prohibits the access bus from loading and unloading, they have to use the driveway apron or block the neighbors, and unloading and loading on their driveway damages their lawn.

The property owner has installed a concrete pad in the parkway which would make it more accommodating for ADA. Staff observed that on-street parking was available. However, staff was unable to substantiate the need for blue curb due to a parking problem and denied the request.

Public hearing opened.

Alllen Bode, 815 W. Amerige Avenue explained that when the school bus loads and unloads the wheelchair, the neighbor's driveway is blocked which is an inconvenience. He install a concrete pad in front of the curb making it is easier to load the wheelchair lift from the curb.

Public hearing closed.

Chair Duvignau's concern was that he did not see the need for blue curb where overnight parking is not allowed.

MOTION made by Commissioner Rizzo to accept staff's recommendation to deny the request of blue curb. MOTION dies.

MOTION made by Commissioner Hallstrom, SECONDED by Commissioner Duncan, and CARRIED 3-2 with Commissioner Rizzo and Duvignau opposed to allow the blue curb request to be recommended to City Council for approval.

### 1-Hour Parking- Old Creek Lane and Old River Road

Mr. Miller presented the request of the residents to implement a time restriction of 1 hour parking, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, holidays and nonschool days exempt. The restriction would be on the residential side of Old River Road and both sides of Old Creek Lane. Mr. Miller stated that the request was warranted to install these restrictions and staff is recommending the Commission to approve and recommend to City Council for final approval.

Public hearing opened.

The following people spoke in favor of the 1 hour parking:

- Pat Wilson, 1440 Old River Road
- Barbara Pierro, 1500 Old River Road
- Feliza Dixon, 1516 Old River Road
- Charles Harley, 1508 Old River Road
- Eileen Harley, 1508 Old River Road
- Patricia Henderson, 2227 Old Creek Lane
- F. Scott Jewell, 2221 Old Creek Lane
- Bob Rineer, 1001 Hornet Way
- Bill Miller, 512 E. Princeton Circle
- Ted Nichols, 2226 Meadow Lane

#### The concerns were:

- Mail delivery
- Trash pick up
- Inefficiency of the City sending crews to post "no parking" signs on street sweeping days and then sending out another crew to remove the signs.
- The greenbelt on street is not being used by park visitors but for student parking

The following people spoke in opposition of the 1 hour parking:

- Kenneth Luke, 1530 Old River Road
- Maureen Flynn-Becerra, 2200 Old Creek Lane

#### The concerns were:

• 2 hour restriction would eliminate the parking problem of students and give the residents more options to have guests, and a reasonable compromise.

Sergeant Williams added that the 1 hour parking restriction was more favorable for enforcement efforts making it logistically easier to mark vehicles and respond back in an hour. Additionally, 1 hour time frame is usually not enough time to attend a class making it more of a deterrent.

Public hearing closed.

MOTION made by Commissioner Rizzo, SECONDED by Commissioner Hallstrom, and CARRIED unanimously, to approve the staff recommendation for 1 hour parking from 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. on Old Creek Lane and Old River Road.

# Resident Parking Permits

Mr. Miller presented the item to consider an amendment to F.M.C. Section 844.230 pertaining to parking permits on designated streets.

The action requested is to approve staff's recommendations to amend section 844.230 of the F.M.C., to amend the current processing and permit fee for residential parking permits, and to adopt a residential permit parking procedure and guidelines.

Staff is proposing a one time administrative fee of \$140.00 for residents, annual permit fee of \$25.00 for each permit up to 2 residential and 2 guest permits per residence, replacement permit fee of \$25.00, temporary guest permit fee of \$2.00 each, and new vehicle purchase for residents with existing permit fee of \$25.00.

Staff would be the first level of review, but the applicant has the right to appeal staff's decision with the notification to the Director of Engineering and pay an appeal fee of \$172.00. Following staff review approval, the T&CC will consider request and deny or forward the recommendation to City Council which would be done by the process of a Resolution.

Tenants of single-family residence are eligible for permit process but Multi-family units are not eligible.

Commissioner Rizzo asked if the other cities mentioned that the fees discourage people due to the expense and the hassle.

Dave Langstaff commented that the other cities did not mention that the process is being abused.

Public hearing opened.

The following people spoke in favor:

Bob Rineer, 1001 Hornet Way Bill Miller, 512 E. Princeton Cir. Ted Nichols, 2226 Meadow Lane Charles Harley, 1508 Old River Road

The concerns were:

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- Ensure that the residents can afford the fee and not be excluded from the program because they can not afford the fees for the privilege of parking in front of their homes.
- Permits enforced from certain hours to alleviate the perception that you are turning public streets into private streets, that the city makes a decision to enforce permit parking during certain times of the day.
- Do residents have to have a permit in order to obtain guest permits?

Public hearing closed.

MOTION made by Commissioner Hallstrom, SECONDED by Commissioner Duncan, and CARRIED unanimously, that said request be recommended to City Council for approval.

# **COUNCIL REVIEW**

Head-In Parking will have its second reading at Council and once approved, the signs will be removed.

# COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Transportation and Circulation Commission adjourned at 5:38 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting of December 7, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.

Stacy Matsumoto
Acting Administrative Assistant I