



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 17, 2017

TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

FROM: Maurice Kaufman, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: **Consideration Of Transportation Committee Recommendation For Approval Of Converting Existing Angled-In On-Street Parking Spaces To Parallel Parking Spaces With Passenger Loading Only Restrictions Between 8:00AM – 9:00AM and 5:00PM – 6:00PM On School Days On The North Side Of 63rd Street At LePort School: Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301(c)**

REQUESTED ACTION

Staff recommends that the City Council consider and approve the Transportation Committee's recommendation to convert four (4) existing angled-in parking spaces to two (2) parallel parking spaces with passenger loading only restrictions between 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on school days on the north side of 63rd Street at LePort School (1450 and 1452 63rd Street).

DISCUSSION

On February 26, 2015 the Planning Commission approved UPDR14-004: a conditional use permit for a school at 1450 and 1452 63rd Street. Under conditions of approval VI.B.3. and VI.B.4., the applicant was required to develop a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan and have a consultant hired by the City at the applicant's expense to peer review the TDM plan and provide a traffic circulation study of the proposed student pick-up/drop-off procedures and facilities. Fehr & Peers was hired to review the TDM plan and assess the student pick-up/drop-off procedures and facilities. As part of this process, Fehr & Peers recommended converting the two existing angled-in parking spaces on the west side of the LePort School driveway to one parallel parking space. This would help reduce queuing lines during peak student pick-up/drop-off times.

After opening in March 2016, LePort school has carefully monitored student pick-ups and drop-offs. Large vehicles (such as delivery trucks) are often parked in the angled-in spaces both to the east and west of the school driveway. These long vehicles parked in angled-in spaces make it difficult for vehicles accessing LePort school to efficiently enter and exit the student pick-up/drop-off zone, and create a safety hazard as they decrease visibility for surrounding vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists. Restricting the new parallel parking spaces to passenger only loading zones between 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on school days would help prevent congestion during peak student pick-up/drop-off time.

This action would result in the loss of 2 on-street vehicular parking spaces on the north side of 63rd Street and restricted parking between 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on school days. This action is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301(c) because it involves a minor alteration to an existing public facility (on-street parking).

ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

At the November 17, 2016 Joint Meeting of the Emeryville Public Works Committee and Transportation Committee, the Committee recommended approval of the requested changes to these on-street parking spaces.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:



Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Circulation Plan