



City of Emeryville

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 2025
TO: LaTanya Bellow, City Manager
FROM: Mohamed Alaoui, Public Works Director
SUBJECT: **Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Consenting To The Proposed On-Street Parking Restrictions For Recreational Vehicles, Trucks, And Trailers Near Certain Public City Parks**

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council consent to the designation of on-street parking restrictions for recreational vehicles (RVs), trucks, and trailers near certain City parks, as indicated in the attached in Exhibit A, approved by the Transportation Committee on September 9, 2025.

BACKGROUND

Staff received and documented public complaints regarding the parking of oversized vehicles, specifically recreational vehicles (RVs), trucks, and trailers, on streets near public City parks. The size of these vehicles in areas intended for high pedestrian activity, particularly those frequented by children and families, presents unique challenges to the City's public safety and accessibility standards. Existing parking regulations have proven insufficient to fully mitigate the increased safety hazards, such as obstructed sightlines and restricted emergency access, and the loss of critical parking turnover required for park visitors. This has necessitated a more targeted solution to ensure on-street parking near City parks remains safe, accessible, and function as intended for the entire community.

DISCUSSION

The primary goal is to enhance safety and accessibility at City parks by addressing issues uniquely associated with oversized vehicles by prohibiting the on-street parking of recreational vehicles (RVs), trucks, and trailers near certain City parks.

This issue was brought before the Transportation and Sustainability Committee (TSC) on September 9, 2025. The TSC reviewed the staff proposal and presentation, discussed the safety justifications, and unanimously passed a motion approving the proposed on-street parking restrictions. The City Council is now asked to consent to these parking restrictions pursuant to Emeryville Municipal Code (EMC) section 4-9.32 which authorizes the TSC to approve no parking restrictions for tall vehicles within 100 feet of any intersection upon any street, subject to consent by the City Council.

The TSC based its approval on several key public safety justifications:

- **Impeded Sightlines:** Large vehicles parked at park perimeters create significant blind spots, obstructing the view of crosswalks and park entrances for drivers.

- **Restricted Emergency Vehicle Access:** The width and length of RVs, trucks, and trailers can narrow the effective street width, impeding access and maneuverability for fire engines, ambulances, and other emergency responders.
- **Enhancing "Natural Surveillance" and Park Safety:** A core principle of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is maintaining clear sightlines into public spaces.
- **Ensuring Equitable Access for Park Users:** Parking directly in front of a park is a high-demand public asset intended for short-term use.

Upon consent by the City Council, Public Works staff will procure and install signage stating "NO PARKING OF RV'S, TRUCKS, AND TRAILERS" at designated streets near certain public City parks as indicated in the attached Exhibit A.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost for the procurement and installation of new signs is estimated to be approximately \$5,000. These funds can be accommodated within the existing Public Works Department's operational budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

STAFF COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC

The item was discussed at the September 9, 2025, Transportation and Sustainability Committee meeting.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

CONCLUSION

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



LaTanya Bellow, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

- Draft Resolution
 - Exhibit A - Map of Proposed Parking Restrictions on Streets Near City Parks