



CITY OF CARSON

Legislation Text

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Report to Mayor and City Council

Tuesday, November 05, 2019

Consent

SUBJECT:

CONSIDER ELIMINATING THE TRUCK PARKING ZONE ON THE EAST SIDE OF ALAMEDA STREET, NORTH OF EL PRESIDIO STREET (CITY COUNCIL)

I. SUMMARY

A request was submitted by a local business to eliminate the truck parking zone on the east side of Alameda Street, north of El Presidio Street (Exhibit No. 1).

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. AUTHORIZE the elimination of the truck parking zone on the east side of Alameda Street, north of El Presidio Street.
2. DIRECT the Director of Public Works to remove the existing signs designating the truck parking zone.

III. ALTERNATIVES

1. DENY the request to eliminate the truck parking zone on the east side of Alameda Street, north of El Presidio Street.
2. TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate consistent with the requirements of the law.

IV. BACKGROUND

The Carson Municipal Code prohibits truck parking on any street except at locations where signs are posted to permit such parking or if the truck is being used to deliver / pick-up goods or to provide a service to a nearby property. This regulation can be found in the Carson Municipal Code Section 3254.2 and has been in effect since 1975 (Exhibit No. 2).

Signs are in place at all entrances to the City of Carson and along truck routes that state “No Truck Parking - City of Carson Streets - Except Loading and Unloading and Permitted Parking Areas” to inform truck drivers of this restriction.

There are two types of locations that are eligible for truck parking signs. The first category allows parking for up to 72 hours to accommodate truck drivers who need to park their trucks overnight. The second category allows for one-hour truck parking, and is typically located in the vicinity of restaurants to accommodate drivers who wish to eat in Carson. These truck parking zones are posted at locations that will not create adverse safety or traffic operational impacts.

In 2008, at the request of See’s Candies, a 72-hour truck parking zone was installed on the east side of Alameda Street, north of El Presidio Street to allow trucks to park while they waited to enter the See’s property. During that time, delivery trucks were not allowed on See’s property before 5:00 a.m., but many arrived early and needed a safe place to park. This is no longer the case, as the delivery trucks are now allowed into See’s property at any time so their drivers do not have to park on the street. Since the drivers no longer need the truck parking zone, See’s is requesting that the City eliminate it.

Staff has also observed trucks parking illegally (immediately outside of the truck parking zone) which creates safety and visibility issues at the See’s driveway. Staff concurs with this request and supports the elimination of the 72-hour truck parking zone.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

The costs associated with removing the signs and one post is negligible and can be absorbed by the Public Works Department budget.

VI. EXHIBITS

1. Location Map, (pg. 3)
2. Carson Municipal Code Section 3254.2, (pg. 4)

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