

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JANUARY 7, 2020

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARD: 5

SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF A TIMED NO STOPPING ZONE ON AMBER STREET – RESOLUTION

ISSUE:

Establishment of a timed No Stopping zone on both sides of Amber Street from the southerly terminus south of Haskell Street to 40 feet northerly thereof.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt a resolution to establish a "No Stopping Between the Hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Daily" zone on both sides of Amber Street from the southerly terminus south of Haskell Street to 40 feet northerly thereof.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

On November 6, 2019, the Transportation Board met with five of seven members present to review this matter. Following discussion, the Board voted unanimously to recommend establishment of the proposed timed No Stopping zone on the designated segment Amber Street.

BACKGROUND:

The City works with residents and local businesses to establish various time restricted parking or stopping zones. Time restricted parking or stopping zones are utilized to control parking availability or restrict stopping and may help to minimize safety, noise, or other concerns generated by parking or stopping during specific times of the day.

Establishment of time restricted parking or stopping zones requires submission of a petition from immediately impacted residents or businesses showing support from a minimum of 75% of tenants or owners for the proposed time restricted parking or stopping zones. Once petition criteria has been met, the proposal is scheduled for consideration by the Transportation Board for recommendation to the City Council regarding the matter.

DISCUSSION:

The Public Works Department received a petition from both of the two directly impacted residents (equivalent to 100% percent) with properties immediately adjacent to the affected area of Amber Street requesting establishment of a timed No Stopping zone on both sides of the street from the southerly terminus south of Haskell Street to 40 feet northerly thereof. Residents indicate that this area at the end of Amber Street, which sits adjacent to a small undeveloped parcel owned by the City's Public Utilities Department, attracts motorists stopping in their vehicles and engaging in partying and/or illegal and illicit activity during nighttime and early morning hours.

Establishment of the proposed timed No Stopping zone would restrict late night and early morning stopping within the designated segments of Amber Street and aid in reducing or eliminating illegal and illicit activity, noise generated by parked motorists, littering, and resident safety concerns while retaining sufficient adjacent on-street parking for residents closer to Haskell Street. Additionally, the restriction would reduce similar activity from occurring at the entrance to the Public Utilities owned parcel.

The nearby Barkley Square housing community, which is positioned behind the Public Utilities parcel, does not have direct vehicular or pedestrian access to this parcel or Amber Street. Staff confirmed that the Barkley Square Home Owner's Association concur that establishment of a stopping restriction in this area would be beneficial and is supported.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of sign installation is estimated to be \$290. Funding is available in the existing Public Works Department budget, Signing Supplies account number 4110100-424143, to cover this cost.

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Approved by:	Rafael Guzman, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form:	Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Site Map
- 3. Transportation Board Meeting Minutes November 6, 2019