



Agenda Item

City Traffic Commission

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TO: Chair and Members of the City Traffic Commission

THRU: Larry Tay, City Traffic Engineer

FROM: Dave Allenbach, Transportation Analyst

1. SUBJECT

Request to lengthen the red curb adjacent to the Cypress Street driveway that serves 355 W. Palmyra Avenue.

2. SUMMARY

The requested red curb is to provide easier access to the property for the proponent's large food truck. It would also enhance visibility exiting the driveway.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the installation of an additional five feet of red curb on south side of the subject driveway.

4. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal1: Provide for a safe community.

b. Provide and maintain infrastructure necessary to ensure the safety of the public.

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The request is from the resident at 355 W. Palmyra Avenue to lengthen the existing red curb to provide easier access to the proponent's property for his food truck. Currently, there is five feet of red curb on both sides of the subject driveway, which is located on Cypress Street, approximately 55 feet north of W. Palmyra Avenue. The existing red curb was painted by Public Works four years ago for the purpose of providing better access to the resident's property. According to the proponent, motorists have been encroaching into the red curb and in some instances, parking up to his driveway.

The land use in the area is a mix of single-family homes and apartment complexes, and as a result, the demand for on-street parking can be high, especially in the evening. A field review performed by City staff indicates that there is 50 feet of curbside parking south of the subject driveway - enough space for two vehicles to park. There is 56 feet on the north side, with parking for three vehicles. Painting an additional five feet of red curb on the south side of the subject driveway will reduce the curbside parking to 45 feet south of the driveway, which is still sufficient to accommodate two vehicles. However, the additional red curb will provide better access to the proponent's property and improve sight distance southward toward Palmyra Avenue with no net loss of on-street parking.

Staff finds that the request has merit and recommends that the Traffic Commission approve the installation of an additional five feet of red curb on the south side of the Cypress Street driveway serving 355 W. Palmyra Avenue.

7. ATTACHMENTS

- Letter of Request
- Area Map
- Site Sketch
- Notification Letter