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City Traffic Commission

Written Public Comments

Item #4.2

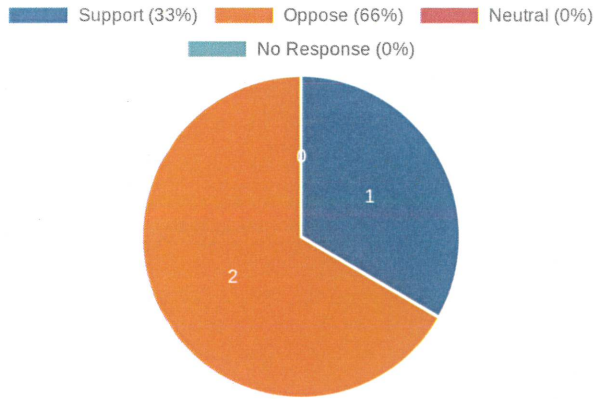
Installation of 25 feet of Red Curb
on the West Side of Kendra Drive
North of Hampshire Road

City Traffic Commission on 2026-06-10 5:30 PM - 5:30 PM Regular Session

06-10-26 17:30

Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
4.2. Installation of 25 feet of red curb on the west side of Kendra Drive north of Hampshire Road	3	1	2	0

Overall Sentiment



Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 3:54pm 06-10-26

Dear Traffic Engineering Division,

As a Serrano Heights homeowner for more than 20 years, I support the request to evaluate red curbing or parking permit on Kendra Drive adjacent to Hampshire Road.

Over the past several months, I have observed a significant increase in vehicles parking in the area including larger vehicles such as U-Haul trucks, tow trucks, and commercial vans. Given that our community is located in a high fire risk area, maintaining clear roadways, adequate visibility, and unobstructed access for fire, police, and emergency medical responders is critically important.

The increased concentration of parked vehicles has the potential to narrow available roadway space, and impact emergency access when every second counts. I believe it is prudent to address these potential fire safety and emergency access before an incident occurs rather than after.

For these reasons, I support the City evaluation of red curbing or parking by permit for legit residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
ELC

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 3:03pm 06-09-26

To the City Traffic Commission:

My name is Mario Martinez, and I have been a homeowner on Hampshire Road for more than 17 years. As you may be aware, the homes in this neighborhood are situated on relatively small lots, which results in limited curb space and limited street parking.

I respectfully oppose the proposed reduction of street parking, specifically on Kendra Drive. Parking availability has become increasingly challenging in our neighborhood, and eliminating parking spaces on Kendra Drive will likely shift additional vehicles onto Hampshire Road and Portico Terrace, where parking is already limited. Contrary to the statement in the staff report, residents do not experience an abundance of available parking in this area.

When I received the notification letter from the City Traffic Engineer regarding the proposed installation of red curb on Kendra Drive adjacent to Hampshire Road, I initially believed the proposal involved the entire curb segment extending from Hampshire Road to Portico Terrace, approximately 170 feet of curb space. The letter was not entirely clear on the scope of the proposed changes. After contacting the City and reviewing information on the City's website, I learned that the proposal is limited to approximately 25 feet of curb space located just north of Hampshire Road.

While I remain opposed to the removal of any street parking, I recognize the City's responsibility to address traffic safety concerns. If the Traffic Commission determines that additional red curb is necessary to improve safety, I would respectfully recommend reducing the proposed red curb length to approximately 10 to 12 feet rather than the full 25 feet.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
Mario Martinez
Hampshire Road Resident and Homeowner

Anna Baez

Location:

Submitted At: 12:55pm 06-05-26

To the Mayor, City Council, and Traffic Commission:

My name is Anna Baez, and my family has lived on the corner of Hampshire Road and Kendra Drive for more than 23 years.

I respectfully ask that the City reconsider the proposal to install a continuous red curb along Kendra Drive. Before removing all parking, I believe the City should clarify whether this proposal is truly based on a documented safety concern or simply complaints about vehicles parked in the area. It seems to be the latter, as almost every day, the parking enforcement is there issuing warnings, which is not a great use of their time and city resources.

If safety is the concern, would a limited red curb at the curve or sight-distance area accomplish that objective? If the concern is non-resident overnight parking, a permit parking program would be a more reasonable solution.

The proposed red curb will not eliminate parking demand—it will simply push the non-residents, landscapers, pool service companies, housekeepers, contractors, delivery drivers, and guests further into the neighborhood.

Truly the residents most affected will only be the two homeowners (Baez/Albano) adjacent to Kendra Drive, in which we already have limited parking due to existing restrictions, such as current red curbs and fire hydrants. We are also the only two homes that are affected by the overflow of parking alongside our homes daily. So, it is uncertain to me why someone that doesn't live alongside Kendra Drive would propose this.

I support reasonable solutions that address abuse of parking, but a continuous red curb is unnecessarily restrictive and unfairly impacts the residents who live there.

I respectfully request that the City explore permit parking for the two residences and place overnight parking restrictions before permanently eliminating parking along Kendra Drive.

Thank you for your consideration, it is greatly appreciated.

Sincere regards,
Anna Baez
Hampshire/Kendra
Orange, CA

Francisco Vasquez

From: Jose A La Torre
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 1:08 PM
To: Anna Baez
Subject: Re: Opposition - Installation of Red Curb on Kendra Drive (Adjacent to Hampshire Road)

Good morning Anna,

Thank you for contacting the City of Orange. I will forward your comments to the Traffic Commission.

Regards,

Jose A La Torre
Phone: (714) 744-5537

From: Anna Baez <
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2026 12:20 PM
To: Jose A La Torre <jalatorre@cityoforange.org>
Subject: Opposition - Installation of Red Curb on Kendra Drive (Adjacent to Hampshire Road)

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Hello Jose,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me about the proposal being presented. I have attached my opposition and request for clarity, and statement of how this affects my home, and our family and quests. I am hoping it is a moot point, but wanted to make sure that all things were considered prior to a decision being made for by the city.

As discussed please forward to the Traffic Commission and Traffic Engineer/Deputy Public Works Director for review, and consideration.

Thank you again. I appreciate your time and assistance.

Have a great weekend.

Anna Baez
[REDACTED]
Orange, CA 92867
[REDACTED]

Francisco Vasquez

From: Jose A La Torre
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 5:06 PM
To: Charles Albano
Subject: Re: Installation of red curb on Kendra Drive

Good evening Charles,

Thank you for contacting the City of Orange. I will forward your comments to the Traffic Commission.

Regards,

Jose A La Torre
Phone: (714) 744-5537

From: Charles Albar [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 4:30 PM
To: Jose A La Torre <jalatorre@cityoforange.org>
Subject: Installation of red curb on Kendra Drive

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Dear Jose,

I left you a voicemail message and wanted to follow-up with this message. I received a notice of the City Traffic Commission meeting on 06/10/26 but I am unable to attend. I have a question and a comment that I hope you can help me with.

The question is, how much of the curb between Portico Terrace and Hampshire would be painted red?

I live on the corner of Portico Terrace and Kendra. The cars that park on Kendra adjacent to my house do not bother me. I'm not sure what the issue is, but it may be that people turning left or right from Hampshire onto Kendra have a restricted view of oncoming traffic?

The problem I anticipate if that section of the curb on Kendra is painted red, people will just start parking their cars on the section of Portico Terrace from the corner at Kendra up to the first fire hydrant on the north side of the street. That would be a problem because me and my neighbors occasionally use that section of the street to park cars when necessary. If this section is parked up with cars from homeowners that live on other streets (this happens occasionally), and we can't use Kendra because the curb is red, it would be very inconvenient.

If painting the section of curb on Kendra red is a safety issue, I can understand it. But if it is just that people just don't like seeing cars parked there, I think painting the curb red will just shift the problem to Portico Terrace.

If there is a way I can let the commission know my opinion, (this email?) I would appreciate your help with that. If you have any questions I can answer, please let me know. Thank you in advance for your help.

Sincerely,

Charles Albano


Orange, CA 92867

Item #4.4

Installation of 35 feet of Red Curb on the Northwest
Corner of the Highland Street/Dana Place Intersection

Francisco Vasquez

From: Jose A La Torre
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 2:59 PM
To: B Trinh
Subject: Re: Installation of Red Curb on Highland St and Dana Place

Hello Binh- Trinh,

I will forward your comments to the Traffic Commission.

Thank you,

Jose A La Torre
Phone: (714) 744-5537

From: B Trinh <btrinh@cityoforange.org>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 6:21 PM
To: Jose A La Torre <jalatorre@cityoforange.org>
Subject: Installation of Red Curb on Highland St and Dana Place

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Hi, I am Binh- Trinh resident of Orange CA 92867- as I have received a meeting scheduled for all posts assigned for meetings concern . I am agreeing all posted assignments as posted and agreed and joined as all affordable. I am unable to attend on the day appointments. Thanks 🙏

Francisco Vasquez

From: Jose A La Torre
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:53 AM
To: Francisco Vasquez
Subject: Fw: installation of red curb on Highland Street

Regards,

Jose A La Torre
Phone: (714) 744-5537

From: Jose A La Torre <jalatorre@cityoforange.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:51 AM
To: Susan Liao <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: installation of red curb on Highland Street

Good morning Susan,

Thank you for contacting the City of Orange. I will forward your comments to the Traffic Commission.

Regards,

Jose A La Torre
Phone: (714) 744-5537

From: Susan Liao <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 7:48 PM
To: Jose A La Torre <jalatorre@cityoforange.org>
Subject: installation of red curb on Highland Street

Hi,

My family lives at [REDACTED] on the corner of Park adjacent to Dana. We are unable to attend the meeting of the City Traffic Commission on June 10, but would like to express our opinion about the proposed red curb on Highland Street.

We are opposed to this red curb being installed. There is already a red curb right in front of our house in front of the fire hydrant. All of the parking in our area has been converted to permit only, with the exception of the short stretch of Dana Place. There are only about five cars that can fit on Dana. We do not have people over often, but when we do, it is already a big hassle to give them our one permit, have them park in the driveway, and then try to find parking on Dana. The red curb would just further limit parking, and we think it is unnecessary given there is already a red curb a couple hundred feet away in front of our house.

Thank you for your consideration,