



# Agenda Item

## City Council

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THRU:** Rick Otto, City Manager

**FROM:** Christopher Cash, Public Works Director

### 1. SUBJECT

Request for Permit Parking on Mayfair Avenue between Grand and Shaffer Streets, and adoption of a revised master resolution of permit parking areas within the City of Orange. Resolution No. 11343.

### 2. SUMMARY

The affected segment of Mayfair Avenue lies within the boundaries of the Downtown Permit Parking Area (Area "A",) and meets all of the City's permit parking implementation criteria. A petition has been circulated to demonstrate the necessary level of neighborhood support, and the City Traffic Commission voted to approve permit parking and forward to City Council for final approval.

### 3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Approve permit parking on Mayfair Avenue between the above-referenced limits.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 11343. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange rescinding Resolution No. 11216, and adopting a revised master resolution of permit parking areas within the City of Orange.

### 4. FISCAL IMPACT

The total expenditure for the project is \$1,000 and will be funded in Minor Traffic Control Devices (16302) through Traffic Improvement Measure M2 (263).

### 5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Provide for a safe community

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

### 6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

Approved by City Council, the City's Neighborhood Permit Parking Program (NPPP) was designed to mitigate the intrusion of non-residential, e.g. university, commercial, and industrial, parking demands on residential streets. In doing so, the program assures that local residents and their guests have access to convenient on-street parking in proximity to their homes.

The NPPP is currently comprised of multiple permit parking areas, the first of which is designated Area "A" and comprises an area within and around Chapman University. Area "A" was established in 1987 to prevent student parking from encroaching onto residential streets in high parking demand areas. Because the intrusion potential and tolerance levels varies between the many streets within

the area, the intent was that each street within the area's boundary could request activation of permit parking on a case-by-case basis, if and when parking conditions deteriorate to unacceptable levels. A resident living on the affected segment of Mayfair Avenue has submitted a written request to the Public Works Department requesting such activation.

### **Parking Study**

Because Mayfair Avenue (between Grand and Shaffer streets) lies within in Area "A", a parking occupancy study is not required. A petition was circulated to determine the level of support on the affected block, the results of which are shown in the table below:

21 Affected Addresses	In Favor	Opposed	Unsigned
Total	13	2	6
Percentage	62%	9.5%	28.5%

### **Analysis**

In order for permit parking be implemented, no less than 55 percent of the affected residents must be in support of the proposal. As shown above, 62 percent of the affected residences support permit parking, and the petition satisfies the minimum requirement.

If approved, parking permits are issued for residents only. Participation in the permit program is voluntary; however, after implementation, any vehicle parked on the street without a permit can be cited.

### **Recommendation**

This matter was presented to the City Traffic Commission (CTC) for consideration at its June 11, 2021, regular meeting. Two comment cards were received, with both speakers opposed to the proposal based on their (a) perceived lack of a parking problem on Mayfair Avenue and (b) belief that it should not have been included within the Area "A" boundaries. Notwithstanding, the CTC approved the request unanimously, citing that the request for permit parking was evaluated in accordance with, and satisfied all criteria delineated in, the City's approved policy for Permit Parking Area "A".

In addition, subsequent to the CTC meeting, staff received an email in opposition to the project, questioning the procedures that were employed for processing permit parking requests within Area "A," including fee waivers and support threshold. Attached hereto is a City Council staff report dated July 24, 2001, in which the boundaries of Area "A" and associated permit parking procedures were most recently revised.

Because the request meets the City-established requirements for permit parking in Area "A", staff respectfully recommends that the City Council approve permit parking on Mayfair Avenue between Grand and Shaffer streets.

The proponent and all residents and businesses within 300 feet of the study area were notified of the City Council Meeting.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

- June 11, 2021, CTC Staff Report and Petition
- July 24, 2001, City Council Report for Area "A" Permit Parking

- Resolution No. 11343