

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: 03/23/09		Item Number: <u>A-1</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Discussion of Parking Regulations for Large Motor Vehicles and Recreational Vehicles.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Public Notification: Culver City News 3-12-09; Master E-Mail Notification List (03/18/09); Via mail on March 11, 2009: Homeowners' Associations and Neighborhood Groups; All persons who had been notified of this issue in the past; persons who have requested notice via mail or commented on this issue at past Council Meetings; via email March 12, 2009: persons who have requested notice on this issue via email; Via email March 17, 2009: Chamber of Commerce; Downtown Business Association; the Good Sam RV Club.			
Department Approval: Don Pedersen (03/18/08) Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (03/17/09)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (03/17/09)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (03/18/09)		City Manager Approval: Jerry B. Fulwood (03/18/09)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council discuss parking regulations for large motor vehicles and recreational vehicles (RV) and direct staff as deemed appropriate. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> On August 18, 2008, two members of the audience addressed City Council and requested that the Council reconsider permit parking for recreational vehicles. Council directed staff to bring the item back for discussion. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> On June 13, 2005, the City Council discussed various options for regulating parking of recreational, oversized and non-motorized vehicles and directed staff to return with an ordinance establishing a complete ban on the parking of such vehicles (Attachments 1 and 2). On November 7, 2005, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2005-009 relating to the parking of large motor vehicles, including RVs, non-motorized vehicles and			

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commercial vehicles (the "Ordinance") (Attachments 3, 4 and 5). Subsequent to the adoption of the Ordinance, several Culver City residents who own RVs attended the January 9, 2006 Council meeting, at which time they voiced opposition to the newly adopted Ordinance and requested the City Council reconsider its decision. In response to their concerns, the Council requested that the residents submit any new information they wished the Council to consider in determining whether to agendize this issue for further discussion.

At its meeting of February 6, 2006, the City Council reviewed the information submitted by the residents and discussed the residents' concerns related to the Ordinance. As a result of this discussion, Council determined to leave the Ordinance in place, but requested that the Police Department suspend the enforcement of the Ordinance, specifically as to RV parking regulations, for 30 days, in order to give the residents ample time to find alternative locations to store their RVs. (Attachment 6) At its meeting of March 6, 2006, Council requested an extension of the suspension of enforcement for another 30 days, in order to give the residents additional time to relocate their RVs. In addition, then-Mayor Vera indicated that he was making efforts to locate property on which the residents could park their RVs. This period of suspension of enforcement of the RV parking regulations expired on April 6, 2006.

At the April 17, 2006 Council meeting, Council directed staff to postpone enforcement of the recreational vehicle parking regulations for a period of ninety (90) days, with full enforcement to commence after expiration of the ninety (90) day period. (Attachment 7).

The following table reflects the available information on number of citations issued under the Ordinance:

Year	# issued to Large Motor Vehicles/RVs	# issued to Detached Trailers	Total
2007	58	17	75
2008	76	46	122
YTD through 3/10/09	21	8	29

No information is available for 2006, the first year of enforcement under the new ordinance.

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Recently, after receiving complaints from Culver City residents and businesses, the City has coordinated efforts with the City of Los Angeles with them to enforce Los Angeles' restrictions of camper and motor vehicle parking on Zanja Avenue, just north of the Culver City border with Los Angeles along West Washington Blvd. However, a number of these large motor vehicles/RVs have moved to the first block of Moore Avenue just north of Washington Boulevard in Culver City. Since they are inside Culver City limits, CCPD will enforce the City's Code where applicable.

As this issue generated substantial interest from the public in the past, staff published a notice of this item in the Culver City News on March 12, 2009 in an effort to ensure adequate public notification (Attachment 8). Staff also sent postcards to approximately 350 households, as well as Homeowners' Associations and Neighborhood Groups. In addition to the master e-mail notification list, staff also sent a number of e-mails to persons who have requested notice on this issue via e-mail. Also notified via e-mail were the Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Business Association, and the Good Sam RV Club. Cost of public notification on this item was approximately \$375.00.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

There is no fiscal impact to discuss this item. However, should the City Council determine to alter or repeal the existing ordinance, such an alteration/repeal would have an impact on revenues generated through the issuance of citations. The revenue received by the City for citations issued in calendar years 2007, 2008 and 2009 to date totaled \$3,436, \$6,576, and \$1,450, respectively.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. City Council Agenda Item report dated June 13, 2005
2. Minutes from City Council meeting of June 13, 2005
3. CCMC subchapter 7.03.600 et seq. entitled "Prohibited and Limited Parking Of Oversized, Non-Motorized And Commercial Vehicles"
4. City Council Agenda Item report dated October 24, 2005
5. Minutes from City Council meeting of October 24, 2005
6. Minutes from City Council meeting of February 6, 2006 reflecting discussion of oversized/recreational vehicle parking issues
7. Minutes from City Council meeting of April 17, 2006 reflecting discussion of oversized/recreational vehicle parking issues
8. Notice published in Culver City news on March 12, 2009

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MOTION:

That the City Council:

Discuss the issue of Parking Regulations for Large Motor Vehicles and
Recreational Vehicles and direct staff as deemed appropriate.