

March 4, 2003

Honorable Mayor and Members of
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
March 11, 2003

**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACE ON THE SOUTHWEST
CORNER OF HERMOSA AVENUE AT 13TH STREET**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that Council approve the reduction of red curb in front of The Coffee Bean on Hermosa Avenue south of 13th Street for the installation of a "Green Parking Zone".

Summary:

At its February 25, 2003 meeting, the City Council requested additional information on this item prior to a decision. This item was brought to the City Council based upon the recommendation by the Public Works Commission at their meeting of November 20, 2002. The Public Works Commission voted to support Staff's recommendation to reduce the length of the red curb in front of The Coffee Bean on Hermosa Avenue. This would free up an additional parking space without impacting the U-turn move at the intersection of Hermosa Avenue and 13th Street.

Further, Staff is recommending that the proposed parking space be a "green zone". This would accommodate the commercial businesses and be consistent with the green parking zone north of 13th Street.

Background:

Staff received a request from The Coffee Bean, via Public Works Commissioner Cheatham, located on the southwest corner of Hermosa Avenue and 13th Street, to consider placement of an additional parking space in front of their business. On February 8, 2000, Council adopted Resolution No. 00-6044, which calls for the removal of the "NO U-TURN" prohibition and the installation of the parking restriction in front of The Coffee Bean. Please refer to Attachment 2. Currently, there is 42' of red curb on the west side of Hermosa Avenue just south of 13th Street. Following the red curb are two metered parking spaces.

Analysis:

Staff has investigated the area and feels an additional parking space can be created with minimal impact to existing conditions along Hermosa Avenue and meet safety standards. The existing 42' red curb can be shortened to 26', which will allow enough room for vehicles making U-turns at 13th Street. In addition, the 26' red curb will provide adequate clearance for commuters turning right onto Hermosa Avenue from 13th Street. Staff further recommends re-marking the existing parking spaces to accommodate three parking spaces without impacting the turning radius at 13th Street. Please see Attachment 1.

Alternatives:

1. Approve Staff recommendation.
2. Send item back to Staff for further study.
3. Take no action.

Attachments:

1. Site Map
2. Resolution No. 00-6044
3. Minutes of Public Works Commission meeting 11/20/02

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

Ray Abassi, P.E.
City Traffic Engineer

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager

Concur:

Michael Lavin
Chief of Police