

March 15, 2005

Honorable Mayor and Members of  
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of  
March 22, 2005

**APPEAL OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF HANDICAPPED  
PARKING SPACE ON MONTEREY BOULEVARD**

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council consider the request for appeal of the Public Works Commission's denial of a handicapped parking space on Monterey Boulevard.

**Summary:**

Last year Ms. Marilyn Boussaid requested a handicapped parking space in front of her home at 1521 Monterey Boulevard. At that time, there were no other spaces provided for handicapped parking on that block of Monterey so the Public Works Department installed the signage and pavement markings as requested. The next day Ms. Boussaid requested that the City remove the newly painted space because she did not wish to upset her neighbors. Staff met with Ms. Boussaid to discuss this unusual request and then removed the striping and signage as requested. Shortly after this, staff received another request for a handicapped parking space from a different resident who resided approximately 240 feet southerly of Ms. Boussaid. Staff then installed this other space. Subsequent to installing this handicapped space, Ms. Boussaid informed staff that she had changed her mind and requested that the space be restored in front of her property.

Public Works has been reticent to install more than one handicapped parking space within one block because of previous public outcry when we had installed a second space. Staff informed Ms. Boussaid that we would hold a public hearing of the matter before the Public Works Commission. Notices were sent to all residents within the same block of Monterey and on February 16, 2005, the hearing was held. The Commission heard the public testimony (see attached minutes – Item 6b) and determined to support staff's recommendation to deny the request.

Staff has re-sent notices to all affected residents of this appeal before City Council.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. Public Works Commission minutes 2-16-05
2. Ms. Boussaid's letter to the Council 2-22-05

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

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Stephen R. Burrell  
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