

October 11, 2005

Honorable Chairman and Members of the
Public Works Commission

Regular Meeting of
October 19, 2005

TWO-SIDED PARKING ON 1ST STREET EAST OF PCH

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Public Works Commission hear public testimony and approve changing 1st Street from parking on the north side only to parking on both sides.

Summary:

1st Street, east of PCH to Barney Court, presently allows parking only on the north side of the street. The only exception is on Wednesdays between the hours of 10 am to 2 pm when parking is restricted for street sweeping and parking is then allowed on the south side of the street. Staff has received numerous complaints regarding the shortage of parking on this segment of 1st Street. At the west end, many parking spaces are used by customers/employees of the commercial establishments on PCH. Staff recommends allowing parking on both sides of the street with the alternating street sweeping restrictions. This segment of street is 30-foot wide, from curb to curb, which can accommodate two-sided parking with a clear center roadway aisle of 15-feet. While this is not ideal for two-way traffic, it is fairly typical of Hermosa's residential streets. The 15-foot aisle will also help to slow traffic in this reach.

Staff has delivered notices of this meeting to all properties on this street segment. If there are no compelling reasons expressed by these residents not to make this change, staff recommends its implementation.

Respectfully submitted,

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