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Agenda Item No.: 5

Date: February 1, 2012

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Edward N. Domingue, Director of Engineering Services
Ali M. Shahzad, Associate Engineer

SUBJECT: Implement Recreational Vehicle (RV) and Large Vehicles of Seven Feet or Over Parking Prohibition Along Grape Day Park Fronting North Broadway, Woodward Avenue and Portions of Pennsylvania Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is requested that Council adopt Resolution No. 2012-02, to implement and modify the traffic schedule for time parking, to restrict vehicles seven feet tall and over from public parking spaces adjacent to Grape Day Park on North Broadway; on Woodward Avenue between North Broadway and Escondido Boulevard and on Pennsylvania Avenue between North Broadway and North Kalmia Street.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Funds are available in the CIP Streets Annual Maintenance budget for the \$3,000 estimated sign installation expenses.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

The Transportation and Community Safety Commission (TCSC) recommended approval at their October 13, 2011 meeting, with a modification to provide for informational signage to direct seven feet height vehicles to park long-term elsewhere.

BACKGROUND:

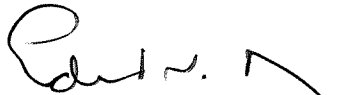
Escondido Municipal Code section 28-143 authorizes the City Traffic Engineer, with the approval of the City Council, to install signs and markings where necessary to restrict parking for a certain period of time. City officials regularly have received complaints of recreational vehicles (RV's) parking long-term surrounding Grape Day Park.

Signage will be installed at various locations along the segments with minor field adjustments per field conditions to implement the restriction.

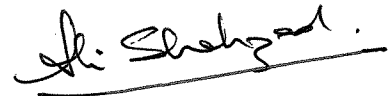
The City Traffic Engineer studied the locations and determined that recreational vehicles and other large vehicles that exceed seven feet in height make it difficult for pedestrians to observe on-coming traffic, creating a sight distance concern. There are associated hazards of large vehicles blocking the view of motorists for sight distance in the vicinity of the Boys and Girls Club, the recently relocated Children's Museum, and in general the children visiting the park. Long-term parking of large vehicles also creates a visual nuisance as well.

The proposed parking restrictions are necessary to ensure equitable access to public parking spaces and will have a positive impact on traffic safety in the seven feet height restricted timed parking zones. The height restriction parking will take effect as soon as the signs are posted.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTION NO. 2012-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING THE PARKING TIME LIMITS
PURSUANT TO ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL
CODE SECTION 28-143

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code section 22507 authorizes local authorities to prohibit or restrict stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles on city streets; and

WHEREAS, Escondido Municipal Code Section 28-5 provides that the City Council shall establish and amend the traffic schedules including no parking and time parking zones; and

WHEREAS, Escondido Municipal Code Section 28-143 authorizes the City Traffic Engineer, with the approval of the City Council, to install and maintain signs and markings upon any street where it is deemed necessary to restrict parking to a certain period of time; and

WHEREAS, the City has received complaints of long-term parking of large vehicles surrounding Grape Day Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer studied the locations and determined that recreational vehicles and other large vehicles that exceed seven feet in height make it difficult for pedestrians to observe on-coming traffic and create a sight distance concern; and

WHEREAS, the parking lots and streets surrounding Grape Day Park regularly contain a large number of children; and

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer recognizes that restrictions surrounding Grape Day Park could cause increased parking on neighboring streets; and

WHEREAS, the City Transportation and Community Safety Commission reviewed the recommendations and voted to approve them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.
2. That the City Council modifies the traffic schedule for time parking and restricts vehicles seven feet tall and above from public parking spaces adjacent to Grape Day park on Broadway Avenue.
3. That the City Council modifies the traffic schedule for time parking and restricts vehicles seven feet tall and above from parking on Woodward Avenue between North Broadway and Escondido Boulevard.
4. That the City Council modifies the traffic schedule for time parking and restricts vehicles seven feet tall and above from parking on Pennsylvania Avenue between North Broadway and North Kalmia Street.
5. That the City Traffic Engineer shall install such signs or markings as necessary to enact this Resolution.