



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: MARCH 4, 2025

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: STEPHEN BISE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

PREPARED BY: MICHAEL PLOTNIK, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER

SUBJECT: 2024 EAST COMMONWEALTH AVENUE DISABLED PERSON PARKING

SUMMARY

Consideration of a Transportation and Circulation Commission (TCC) recommendation to install a Disabled Person Parking zone in front of 2024 East Commonwealth Avenue.

PROPOSED MOTION

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-XXX.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XXX – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A DISABLED PERSON'S PARKING ZONE IN FRONT OF 2024 E. COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Do not adopt resolution
- Other options brought by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

The City Manager defers to the TCC recommendation.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statement:

- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget includes costs associated with sign and marking installation and maintenance as well as various requests recommended by the TCC.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Commonwealth Avenue is a 64-foot-wide east / west primary arterial four-lane undivided roadway with a 40 miles per hour posted speed limit. Ladera Vista Junior High School is located to the north and Commonwealth Elementary School adjacent to the east, both of which generate heavy traffic and parking. The street has improved curbs, gutters and sidewalks on both sides. The street is comprised of single-family residential homes, townhome community, multi-family housing complexes and schools. The City allows unrestricted on-street parking on both sides of East Commonwealth Avenue and overnight parking on the south side of East Commonwealth Avenue between 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. with a residential parking permit. The multi-family housing complex has an attached two-car garage located at the rear of the property accessed from the house or through an alley. The property has shared parking which poses a challenge for the resident.

The property owner requested a disabled person parking space in front of the home to accommodate the tenant's severe physical limitations. The tenant has permanent disability due to an accident. Two units share the attached garage which does not have enough space to load and unload into a wheelchair. Easily accessible and nearby on-street parking would greatly enhance the health, safety and quality of life for the resident.

The property is consistent with City-approved guidelines for installing a disabled person parking space and is ADA compliant with improved parkway adjacent to the curb. The 2024 East Commonwealth Avenue, Unit A resident is disabled and possesses a disabled person placard, provided to staff for verification.

The TCC voted unanimously on February 3, 2025 to concur with the City traffic engineer recommendation and recommend City Council approve installing a blue zone and appropriate signing in front of 2024 East Commonwealth Avenue.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Draft Resolution
- Attachment 2 – TCC Staff Report

cc: City Manager Eric J. Levitt