



TRANSPORTATION & CIRCULATION COMMISSION AGENDA

MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 4, 2021

TO: TRANSPORTATION & CIRCULATION COMMISSION

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS / TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

SUBJECT: 4010 W. COMMONWEALTH AVENUE – 20 MINUTE
LOADING/UNLOADING

SUMMARY

Consider a staff recommendation to designate 40 feet of the south curb of Commonwealth Avenue, in front of 4010 W. Commonwealth Avenue, as a place where parking is limited to 20-minute loading and unloading between the hours of 6:00am and 6:00pm daily.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval to Council for the installation of a 20-minute loading and unloading zone in front of 4010 W. Commonwealth Avenue, as outlined in Exhibit A (Attachment 1) and recommended by the City Traffic Engineer.

DISCUSSION

Staff received a letter from the property owner of 4010-4016 W. Commonwealth Avenue, requesting short-term parking for their tenant at 4010 W. Commonwealth Avenue. Both the property owner and their tenant claims that there is insufficient on-street parking to accommodate deliveries and/or pick up of products, supplies, packages, mail, etc., as a result of long-term parking by employees from a nearby automotive repair business. This shortage of on-street parking occurs despite the posting of a 2-hour parking restriction between the hours of 6:00am and 6:00pm, Sunday & Holidays exempt.

Commonwealth Avenue is a 64-foot wide major arterial street with a posted speed limit of 40 miles per hour. The street carries an average daily traffic volume of approximately 6,400 vehicles per day. There are two lanes of traffic in each direction with a painted median island to accommodate left-turns. Parking is permitted on the south side of the street only. Aside from the posted 2-hour parking restriction, parking is generally unrestricted on the south side of W. Commonwealth Avenue with overnight parking allowed between the hours of 2:00am and 5:00am. The Fullerton

Airport is located on the north side of the street while mixed-use retail and residential properties are located on the south side of the street in the vicinity of the proposed loading and unloading zone.

Staff confirmed that there is very little on-street parking available in the area and that the 2-hour parking restriction is regularly violated on weekdays. The result of the continuing violations is frequent calls for enforcement, which is not readily available due to other calls for service. In staff's experience, the addition of yellow curb designating an area as "20-minute loading/unloading", garners a higher level of compliance than a posted time restriction of several hours. If approved, staff would paint 40-feet of yellow curb directly in front of the applicant's business, accompanied by posted signs further emphasizing the new time limits.

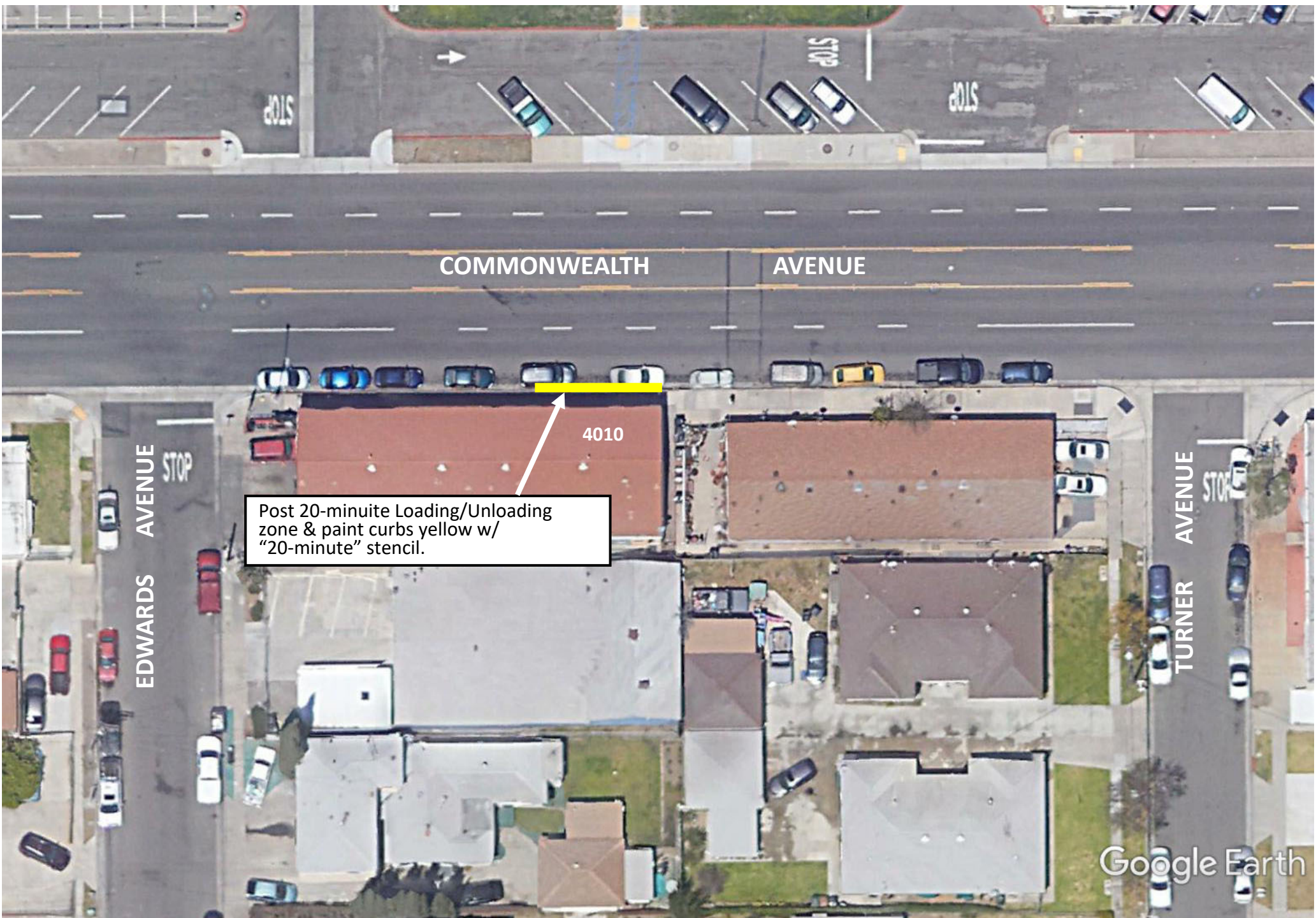


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Attachment 1 - Exhibit A, Vicinity Map

cc: Commissioners
Police Traffic Bureau



4010 W. COMMONWEALTH AVENUE - 20 Minute Loading/Unloading

Exhibit A