



## **CITY OF SALINAS**

# **TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT**

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**DEPARTMENT:** PUBLIC WORKS, TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC DIVISION

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**TITLE:** RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM – PARAISO COURT OPT IN REQUEST

### RECOMMENDED MOTION:

The Traffic and Transportation Commission is requested to consider recommending to the City Council the approval of a request from residents of Paraiso Court to opt in the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approving the request from residents of Paraiso Court to opt into District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Paraiso Court is a two-lane residential street without parking restrictions. Staff received a signed petition from residents of Paraiso Court to opt in the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program. The petition received was confirmed by the City Staff to have met 51% threshold for consideration. Staff is recommending the approval of the opt in request from residents of Paraiso Court to the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program.

### BACKGROUND:

On December 1, 2009, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2498 that established a preferential permit parking program in the City of Salinas. Along with the Ordinance, the Council also adopted Resolution 19778 establishing District 3A, the first residential permit parking District in the City, which aimed to provide relief for residents affected by non-residential parking intrusions into residential areas near and around Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital (SVMH) and nearby medical offices/services.

The program was intended to address concerns from residents regarding parking demand on neighborhood streets generated by commercial/medical office uses during the day. The program was developed to restore the residential atmosphere of the streets and relieve residents of the

inconvenience of bumper to bumper parking demand on their street. For this benefit, residents supporting the program were willing to pay administration costs to keep parking on their street for residents only from 7 am to 5 pm on weekdays. Residents of Paraiso Court did not participate in the establishment District 3A residential permit parking program.

Sections 20-216 (c) and (d) of the adopted Ordinance contains provisions for a street segment to be added to the program if a petition representing fifty-one percent (51%) of the residences show support for the request. Staff received a petition from the residents of Paraiso Court to be added to the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program. The petition received was confirmed by the City Staff to have met 51% threshold for consideration.

If approved, the residents of Paraiso Court will need to obtain parking permits from the City to park on the street during the effective times of the Residential Permit Parking program. There is a maximum six (6) Resident Parking Permits per residence. The current fees for each Resident Permit Parking Permit is:

1. \$25.00 each for the initial 2 permits at each residence;
2. \$20.00 each for the third permit at each residence;
3. \$15.00 each of the fourth permit for each residence; and
4. Each permit thereafter shall be \$10.00 each up to the limit.

Residential Permit Parking Restrictions are effective between the hours of 7:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday excluding weekends and holidays.

Approval of the Opt-in request will result in new signs installed along Paraiso Court to support effective enforcement.

Staff recommends approval of the request based on relevant sections of the Ordinance referenced in this report. Staff notes that if one household changes its vote, the support would fall below 51% and not meet the policy requirements.

Notices regarding this consideration of residents' request were sent to affected households. Staff will provide Commission a report on comments received.

#### CEQA CONSIDERATION:

The City of Salinas has determined that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Section 15301, Class 1(c)) because the actions consists of operation and minor alteration of an existing City street.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This item does not specifically relate to one of the Council's Strategic Plan or Goal.

#### DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Signage for the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program are installed and maintained by public works staff. Parking enforcement is provided in coordination with parking enforcement staff (Serco) and the Police Department.

#### FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The cost to add this area into the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program will include installation of appropriate signs and the administration of the permit program. These costs have already been included in the approved budget for District 3A and is funded by permit fees.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Copy of Petition

Attachment 2: Paraiso Court – Support for Opt-In request

Attachment 3: District 3A Map