



CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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TITLE: RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM - SAN MARCOS COURT OPT OUT

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a resolution approving the request from residents of San Marcos Court to opt out of the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval of the request from residents of San Marcos Court to opt out of the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program. Residents of San Marcos Court have submitted a petition form that meets 51% threshold for consideration to opt out of 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 high outside parking demand on their residential 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.

Sections 20-216 (c) and (d) of the adopted Ordinance contains provisions for a street segment to be added or removed from 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 San Marcos Court to opt out of the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program. The petition received was confirmed by the City Staff to have met 51% threshold for consideration. Residents of San Marcos Court understand that their decision to opt out of the program may result in the following:

1. Not being able to re-enter the program for a two-year period.
2. Parking spill over may occur on their street.

If in the future, residents of San Marcos Court elect by petition to and are eligible to re-enter the program, a new parking study may be required and residents will be required to pay the full implementation costs to re-enter the District at that time. The costs for re-entering the program may include the cost of a parking study, signs, street markings, permit issuance management, software/program changes, and any other costs related to add this segment back to the district.

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION:

The request to opt out San Marcos Court from the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program was presented to the Traffic and Transportation Commission at its September 9, 2021 meeting. The Commission voted 6-0 to recommend to the City Council to approve the request to opt out San Marcos Court from the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program.

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 consist of operation and minor alteration of an existing City street.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program does not support any of City Council Goals.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Signage for the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program will be removed by Public Works staff. Parking enforcement will be notified of the removal of permit parking.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The estimated labor to remove the District 3A Residential Permit Parking Program signage is estimated to be \$1,700.00. Sufficient funding is available in the current District 3A Residential Parking Permit Program, CIP 6802.50.5447, to fund proposed removal of signage.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Attachment 1: Copy of Petition

Attachment 2: San Marcos Court support map for Opt-Out request