



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

Item No. _____

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: City Administrator

SUBJECT: On-Street Physically Challenged Accessible Parking Space for
2544 Commerce Way

MEETING DATE: February 5, 2019

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a request to install an on-street physically challenged accessible parking space at 2544 Commerce Way.

BACKGROUND:

On June 2018, Ms. Norberta Betancourt (applicant) submitted a request to the City of Commerce (City) for a curbside physically challenged (disabled) person's parking space in front of her residence at 2544 Commerce Way. The applicant provided a completed and signed application [see Attachment 1] and proper proof of a valid disabled person vehicle identification placard [see Attachment 2]. The placard was issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) pursuant to Section 22511.5 and Section 9105 of the California Vehicle Code (CVC).

The Traffic Commission, during its regularly scheduled meeting on January 9, 2019, reviewed the application for the on-street physically challenged accessible parking space at 2544 Commerce Way and recommended its installation by a vote of three (3) to zero (0) with two (2) abstentions.

ANALYSIS:

In accordance with the City's revised *Policy and Procedures for On-Street Physically Challenged Accessible Parking Spaces (Blue Curb Parking Policy)* [see Attachment 3] approved by the City Council on November 7, 2017, Staff recommends that this request be *approved*. Based on the screening methodology outlined in the Blue Curb Parking Policy in section II (Procedures), sub-section "A" (Screening), Staff conducted a field review of the subject property at 2544 Commerce Way and determined the following:

1. The residence has a width of 10-feet, which is less than the minimum 14-foot driveway width requirement (point #1) [see top photo on next page].
2. The driveway cannot be widened to 14-feet or greater due to planters installed next to the driveway (point #2) [see top photo on next page].
3. There are no other blue curb parking spaces designated on this street block (point #9).
4. Available on-street parking is adequate on this street block.

Residence Rear-View Side alongside Alley (2544 Commerce Way):



Proposed Blue Curb Parking Space Location (2544 Commerce Way):



ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve staff recommendation
2. Reject staff recommendation
3. Provide staff with further direction

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact if the City Council does not approve the installation of the disabled blue curb parking space. If the City Council approves the installation, the lump sum cost of painting the curb blue and installing the disabled person sign next to the blue curb is approximately \$800.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

This item relates to Council's 2016 Strategic Action Plan's:

Community Quality of Life

Per Guiding Principle 4: To "support and evaluate community services, programs and events that promote healthy and quality lifestyles for our residents. Enhance public safety and social services through innovative programs that meet the needs of the residential and business communities."

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Completed and signed application for blue curb parking space
2. Valid disabled person vehicle identification placard
3. Copy of *Policy and Procedures for On-Street Physically Challenged Accessible Parking Spaces (Blue Curb Parking Policy)*

Approved by: Maryam Babaki, P.E., Public Works & Development Services Director

Fiscal Impact reviewed by: Vilko Domic, Director of Finance

Approved as to form by: Noel Tapia, City Attorney

Respectfully submitted: Edgar P. Cisneros, City Administrator