



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

Item No. _____

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: City Administrator

SUBJECT: Red Curb Marking along Driveway at 4645 Telegraph Road

MEETING DATE: March 5, 2019

RECOMMENDATION:

At the recommendation of the Traffic Commission, approve the installation of proposed red curb markings at both ends of the existing driveway located at 4645 Telegraph Road in order to improve sight distance and traffic safety.

BACKGROUND:

Mr. Gustavo Martínez, proprietor of *El Capiro Piloncillo, Inc.*, located at the northerly side of 4645 Telegraph Road (between McBride Avenue and McDonnell Avenue) in the City of Commerce, brought to Staff's attention the difficulty experienced by its employees and delivery staff from entering into and out of its facility due to lack of sight distance from its main driveway.

Currently, parking is allowed next to the existing driveway. When vehicles are parked next to this driveway, *El Capiro Piloncillo's* employees and delivery staff have difficulty going in-and-out of the facility.

The Traffic Commission reviewed this request during its regularly scheduled meeting on February 13, 2019 and recommended approval for the installation of the red curb marking at both ends of the existing driveway located at 4645 Telegraph Road.

ANALYSIS:

On January 2019, Public Works staff visited the site and has completed its analysis regarding the ingress and egress issue confronting the existing driveway at *El Capiro Piloncillo*.

The parking of cars, and especially trucks, adjacent to this existing driveway hinder the sight distance of entering and exiting vehicles from *El Capiro Piloncillo*. Along Telegraph Road, the situation is that vehicles are parked right up against the driveway, thereby preventing

vehicles that are exiting the driveway from being able to see above the parked vehicles, thereby obstructing their sight distance and hindering the drivers' ability to proceed safely.

In order to remedy the situation, Staff proposes that red curbs should be installed along both ends of the driveway to allow for this business to have their trucks enter and exit with no obstruction. The driveway in question is located along Telegraph Road near the middle of the city block between McBride Avenue and McDonnell Avenue.



Proposed Driveway Red Curbs along 4645 Telegraph Road

By installing two sets of red curbs of approximately 10-feet in length at both ends of the driveway along 4645 Telegraph Road, this will allow drivers to more easily navigate in-and-out of the driveway. Adequate sight distance permits drivers entering and exiting the facility to do so without obstruction and permits drivers to enter and exit out of the driveway in a safe manner.

The removal of approximately 20 lineal feet of parking does not significantly hinder the overall impact of parking availability. Parking is available throughout the length of Telegraph Road and also along the nearby side streets.

Parking regulations and curb markings are guided by the California Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), the California Vehicle Code (CVC), and the City of Commerce Municipal Code (CMC).

Specifically, per CMC §10.48.020, the City Administrator is authorized to place or remove red curb markings when deemed necessary.

Staff supports the above recommendations for red curb installation in order to improve sight distance and traffic safety when vehicles are entering or exiting these driveways.

This red curb marking request was presented by Staff to the Traffic Commission for consideration during its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2019. The Traffic Commission reviewed this request and has recommended approval.

ALTERNATIVES:

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Fiscal Impact. Staff will issue an encroachment permit to the contractor selected by the aforementioned proprietor, who will fund the installation cost of the red curbs.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

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

Community Quality of Life

- 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."

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