



AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: October 3, 2013

Item Number: F-7

To: Honorable Mayor & City Council

From: Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation
Martha Eros, Transportation Planner

Subject: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
MODIFYING THE PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE
DESIGNATION FROM ZONE "U" TO ZONE "AL" ON THE SOUTH
SIDE OF THE 8900 BLOCK OF CHARLEVILLE BOULEVARD
BETWEEN SOUTH ALMONT DRIVE AND LA PEER DRIVE

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Categorical Exemption
3. Traffic & Parking Commission Recommendation
4. September 12, 2013 Traffic & Parking Commission Report
5. Traffic & Parking Commission Minutes - Draft
6. City Council Meeting Notice
7. Correspondence

RECOMMENDATION

Staff and the Traffic & Parking Commission recommend that the City Council approve a resolution modifying the Preferential Permit Parking Zone designation from Zone "U" to Zone "AL" on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives with a regulation of:

"No Parking Anytime, Permit 'AL' Exempt"

INTRODUCTION

On September 12, 2013, the Traffic & Parking reviewed staff's recommendation to modify the Zone "U" designation on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drive, and merge this section with Zone "AL" on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive to allow residents on the north end of the block to park adjacent to their homes. The Traffic & Parking Commission voted 4/1 in

favor of changing the zone designation from "U" to "AL" on the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard.

The Traffic & Parking Commission Chair expressed concern regarding the loss of parking for the property located at 200 South Almont Drive. Staff confirmed the home at 200 South Almont Drive is included in Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U," and the current resident purchases the maximum number of Zone "U" permits. Staff will exchange all current/valid Zone "U" permits with Zone "AL" permits to accommodate the residents of 200 South Almont Drive.

Additionally, the resident petition submitted in 1994 requesting the expansion of Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U" onto both sides of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives included the signatures of three of the four corner properties on Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives¹, thus permit parking would have been an existing condition if any real estate transactions occurred in the past two decades.

DISCUSSION

Background information is provided in the attached September 12, 2013 Traffic & Parking Commission report. Notices inviting public comment at the October 3, 2013 City Council meeting were mailed to the same distribution list used for the Traffic & Parking Commission meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of modifying parking signs would be nominal and installed by City staff.

Susan Healy-Keene
Director-Community Development

Approved By



¹ 200 South Almont Drive, 201 South La Peer Drive, 157 South La Peer Drive; 156 South Almont Drive vacant per December 1993 TPC report.

ATTACHMENT 1
Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 13-R-

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
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DESIGNATION FROM ZONE "U" TO ZONE "AL" ON THE SOUTH SIDE
OF THE 8900 BLOCK OF CHARLEVILLE BOULEVARD BETWEEN
SOUTH ALMONT DRIVE AND LA PEER DRIVE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Beverly Hills Municipal Code Section 7-3-207(A), Modification of an Existing Zone, the Traffic & Parking Commission is authorized to direct staff to pursue a City-initiated process to modify an existing Preferential Permit Parking;

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2013, the Traffic & Parking Commission authorized the Transportation Planning staff to review existing Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U" on the south side of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont Drive and La Peer Drive;

WHEREAS, the Transportation Planning staff proposed modifying the zone designation on the south side of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont Drive and La Peer Drive from Zone "U" and integrating the block into existing Zone "AL" which is in part on the 200 block of La Peer Drive;

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2013, the Traffic & Parking Commission investigated the need to modify the permit zone designation from Zone "U" to Zone "AL" on the south side of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont Drive and La Peer Drive;

WHEREAS, the Planning Department has reviewed the proposed project and has determined that the project is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act and has issued a Categorical Exemption;

NOW AND THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Beverly Hills does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby approves, pursuant to Beverly Hills Municipal Code Section 7-3-207, modifying Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U" to Preferential Permit Parking Zone "AL" on the south side of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard, with a regulation of:

"No Parking Anytime, Permit 'AL' Exempt"

Section 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and shall cause this resolution and his certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the Council of the City.

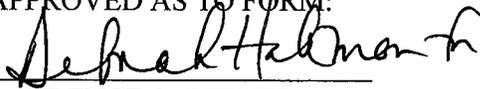
Adopted:

JOHN A. MIRISCH
Mayor of the City of
Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:

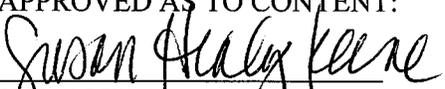
(SEAL)
BYRON POPE
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



SUSAN HEALY-KEENE
Director of Community Development

ATTACHMENT 2
Categorical Exemption



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Categorical Exemption

Name of Project: 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard

Location: South Side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives

Type of Business (if commercial): N/A; residential

Project Description: Modify the Preferential Permit Parking Zone on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives from "No Parking Anytime, Permit 'U' Exempt" to "No Parking Anytime, Permit 'AL' Exempt"

Applicant's Name: City of Beverly Hills Phone: 310-285-1000

Applicant's Address: 455 North Rexford Drive

City: Beverly Hills, CA Zip: 90210

If different, provide:

Agent's Name: Dept. of Public Works & Transportation Phone: 310-285-2500

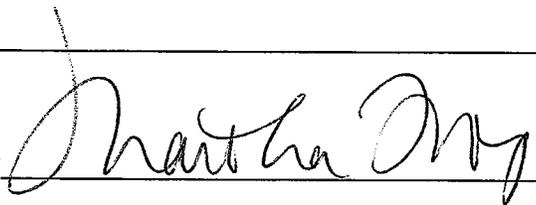
Agent's Address: 345 Foothill Road

City: Beverly Hills, CA Zip: 90210

The undersigned, having received this project for processing, has reviewed it for environmental impact and concluded that the project qualifies for a categorical exemption under the procedures adopted by the City of Beverly Hills and no further environmental assessment is necessary.

Applicable Exemption Class: 1(c)

Comments: Operation of existing public right-of-way; no expansion of use. Proposed changes not anticipated to result in significant displaced parking.

Reviewed by  Date 9/24/2013

ATTACHMENT 3

Traffic & Parking Commission

Recommendation

Traffic & Parking Commission Recommendation September 12, 2013

The south side only of 8900 Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives

- 4/1 To approve staff's recommendation to modify the zone designation only on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives from "No Parking Anytime, Permit 'U' Exempt" to "No Parking Anytime, Permit 'AL' Exempt."

ATTACHMENT 4

Traffic & Parking Commission

September 12, 2013

Staff Report



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION

September 12, 2013

TO: Traffic & Parking Commission
FROM: Martha Eros, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: REVIEW PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE "U" ON THE SOUTH SIDE ONLY OF THE 8900 BLOCK OF CHARLEVILLE BOULEVARD BETWEEN SOUTH ALMONT AND LA PEER DRIVES

This report outlines a staff request to modify the permit zone designation on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drive. Changing the zone designation will enable the adjacent households on the 200 block of La Peer Drive to use their "AL" permits to park adjacent to their homes.

Historical Background

In November 2012, the City Council modified Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U" on the 100 block of South Almont Drive and both sides of the adjacent section of Charleville Boulevard between Almont and La Peer Drives from 2-hour daytime parking to "No Parking Anytime, Permit 'U' Exempt" (12-R-12901). The permit modification inadvertently prohibited the residents of the corner homes on 200 South La Peer Drive from parking on Charleville Boulevard adjacent to their homes.

Discussion

For the past several years when establishing Preferential Parking Permit Zones, the City has "wrapped" the zone regulation to the perpendicular side street blocks to allow the corner homes to park adjacent to their homes. This convention was not practiced when Zone "AL" was established in 1997 on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive.

Modifying Zone "U" on the south side of Charleville Boulevard adjacent to La Peer Drive through the petition process would require residents to obtain a petition signed by 60% of the residents within the existing zone (i.e., 12 of 20 households on the 100 block of South Almont Drive) per Beverly Hills Municipal Code 7-3-207(b). Due to the number of signatures required for a qualifying petition and the minor modification being requested, staff recommended using the City-initiated process to implement this modification.

Per Beverly Hills Municipal Code 7-3-207(A), *Changes to Restrictions in Existing Zones*, the Traffic & Parking Commission (TPC) is authorized to request a City-initiated process to modify an existing Preferential Permit Parking Zone. Following review of the City-initiated process, the TPC would provide a recommendation to the City Council for consideration, and the modification would be approved by a resolution of the City Council. The Traffic & Parking Commission voted for staff to proceed with City-initiated process at its August 1, 2013 meeting.

Staff conducted spot counts on the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard and the 200 block of South La Peer Drive to monitor available on-street parking. Since the permit regulation prohibits parking, no vehicles (with or without Zone "U" permits) were parked on the 8900 block of

Charleville Boulevard. The 200 block of South La Peer Drive provides “2-hour parking, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, Permit ‘AL’ exempt.” License plate data was not collected for the spot counts, but staff observed that the north end of the 200 block of South La Peer Drive experienced higher parking occupancy.

Noticing

Notices advising of the Traffic & Parking Commission’s review of the petition at its September 13, 2013 meeting were mailed to residents on 100 blocks of South Almont and La Peer Drives, and between 200-237 South Almont, La Peer and Swall Drives.

Recommendation

Pending public comment and Traffic & Parking Commission discussion, staff recommends changing the permit designation on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard from Zone “U” to Zone “AL” as follows:

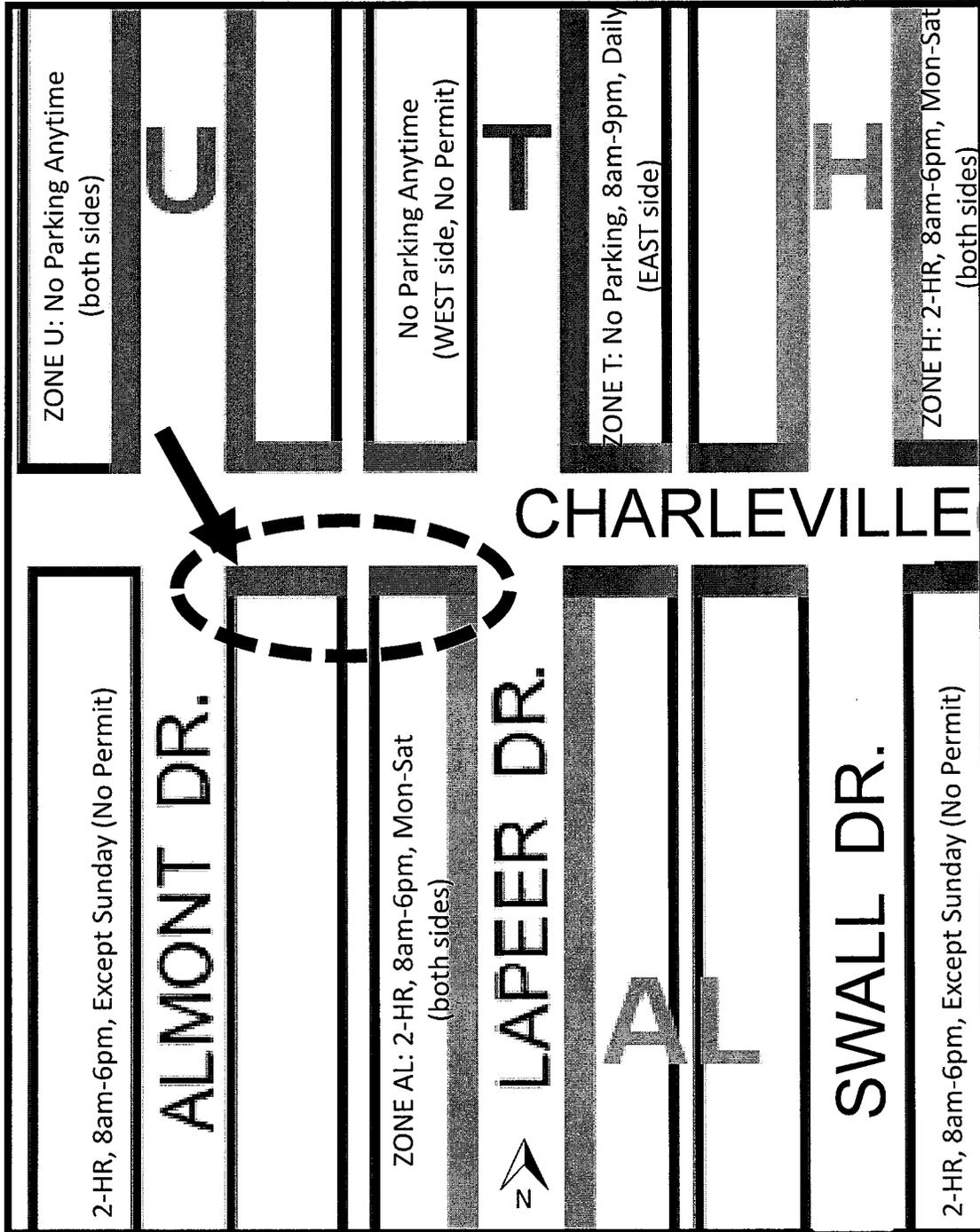
“No Parking Anytime, Permit ‘AL’ Exempt”

Attachments

- A) Area Map
- B) Meeting Notice
- C) Correspondence

ATTACHMENT A
Area Map

**8900 Block of Charleville Boulevard
between South Almont and La Peer Drives**



ATTACHMENT B
Meeting Notice



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

South Side Only of the 8900 Block of Charleville Boulevard Between South Almont and La Peer Drives

The Community Development Department - Transportation Division invites your participation in the review of Preferential Parking Permit Zone "U" on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard.

MEETING: Traffic & Parking Commission

DATE: Thursday, September 12, 2013

TIME: 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard

LOCATION: City Hall, Council Chambers, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA, 90210

REQUEST: Integrate the south side only of 8900 Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drive into Preferential Permit Zone "AL" on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive. The existing parking regulation will not be modified.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Modify the permit zone designation on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives as follows:

"No Parking Anytime, Permit Zone AL Exempt"

PUBLIC COMMENT: Persons wishing to comment on this proposal are invited to attend the September 12, 2013 meeting. You may also submit comments in writing by e-mail or standard mail a minimum of 24-hours in advance of the meeting date to allow for routing and review by the Commission prior to the meeting.

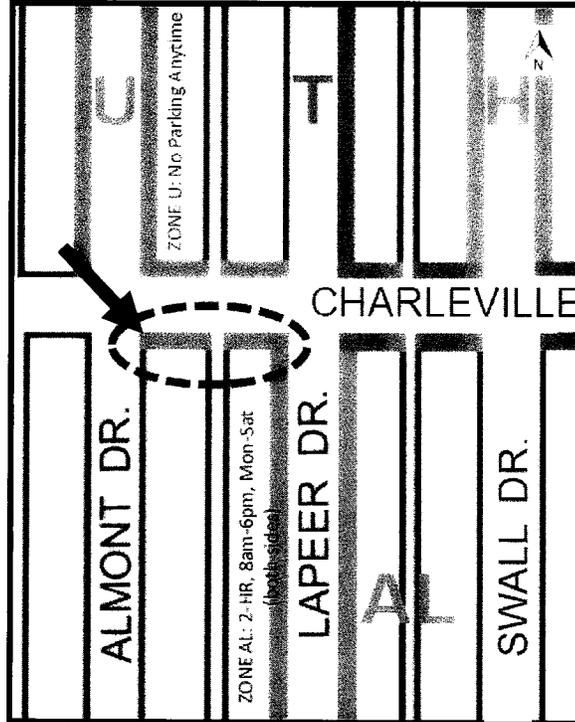
By Email: transportation@beverlyhills.org
By Mail: City of Beverly Hills, Transportation Planning
345 Foothill Road, Beverly Hills, 90210

The Traffic & Parking Commission is an advisory board to the City Council. The Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration at a future date. The City Council may approve, deny, or modify the Commission's recommendation.

If you would like additional information regarding this proposal, please contact the Public Works & Transportation Department at (310) 285-2452.

South Side Only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard

Change the Zone Designation Only from
Zone "U" to Zone "AL"



EXISTING PERMIT ZONE REGULATIONS:

ZONE U: Both sides of 100 SOUTH ALMONT DR and CHARLEVILLE BLVD between Almont and La Peer Drives	NO PARKING ANYTIME
ZONE AL: Both sides of 200 SOUTH LAPEER DR	2-HOUR PARKING, 8AM TO 6PM, MON-SAT
ZONE T: East side only of 100 SOUTH LAPEER DR	1-HOUR PARKING, 6AM TO 6PM, MON-FRI; NO PARKING, 6PM TO 2AM, MON-FRI; NO PARKING ANYTIME, SAT-SUN
ZONE H: Both sides of 100 SOUTH SWALL DR	2-HOUR PARKING, 8AM TO 6PM, MON-SAT
NO PERMIT: 200 BLOCKS OF SOUTH ALMONT and SWALL DRIVES	2-HOUR PARKING, 8AM TO 6PM, MON-SAT; NO PERMIT

ATTACHMENT C
Correspondence

Martha Eros

Subject: FW: Inadvertent parking discrimination

From: Steven Spiegel [mailto:][<mailto:>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 2:30 PM
To: Martha Eros
Subject: Inadvertent parking discrimination

Dear Ms. Bros,

I am writing to request a change in parking permission on Charleville between Almont and La Peer to include parking with an AL permit. We have lived at 2 S. LaPeer since Sept. 1980. Our home is on the SW corner of LaPeer and Charleville and this is the first year that we have not been permitted to park in front of the entrance to our home on Charleville.

At the present time, the U permit allows parking over the 2 hour limit on Almont and on Charleville between Almont and LaPeer.
In contrast, our AL permit only allows this privilege on LaPeer Dr., not on Charleville. This means that the **two** neighbors on this block of Charleville are given privileges that we are denied.

Although we have asked to have this situation corrected for some time, even with the critical assistance of Councilwoman Nancy Krasne, nothing has been done to ameliorate our problem. Indeed, in our last conversation, you told me that it would take at least another three months in order to bring this discriminatory problem to the City Council. We wish further action had been taken in the last nine months, if, indeed, it is necessary.

Since these restrictions were instituted, despite having paid for three permits, we have **never been able** to park on LaPeer in front of our home. Parking spaces on LaPeer are usually fully filled. It is rather inconvenient to carry heavy bags from halfway down the street. It is also difficult for friends to find parking if they wish to visit us. Recently, for example, we were visited by a friend who had to leave because she could not find a place to park on La Peer.

This problem can easily be resolved either by changing the sign in front of our house on Charleville to an AL permit instead of a U, or to simply give us a U permit. Either of these potential solutions would end the discriminatory practice against us that the City instituted last September.

We hope that the City will be able to address this problem as soon as possible; certainly before we are asked to buy new permits that begin in September.

Thank you,

Steven Spiegel
2 S. La Peer Dr.
Beverly Hills, California

ATTACHMENT 5

Traffic & Parking Commission

September 12, 2013

Minutes - Draft

- b. Santa Monica Boulevard Update**
- c. Correspondence**
- d. Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix**

Mr. Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation, elaborated on the City Council decisions concerning public outreach for Santa Monica Boulevard improvements, as well as conceptual options for mitigating construction on the Boulevard.

Chair GRUSHCOW inquired about the construction schedule established for construction on Santa Monica Boulevard. Mr. Kunz informed the Commission that Psomas, the Engineering firm, has begun the process of determining what options are best for construction as well as a preliminary timetable for various milestones. The revised schedule should be ready by the next Traffic & Parking Commission meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (ORAL)

Mr. Chad Lynn, Director of Parking Operations, elaborated upon future discussion by City Council concerning whether or not volunteer parking enforcement using civilians as parking enforcement will be utilized by the City. That discussion will occur on September 24, 2013.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)

Commissioner STEINBERG commented on a parking citation issued in a public parking garage and concerns about signage.

Chair FRIEDMAN expressed concern about the declining appearance of the gateway to Beverly Hills on La Cienega Boulevard.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no public comments from the audience.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. REVIEW PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE "U" ON THE SOUTH SIDE ONLY OF THE 8900 BLOCK OF CHARLEVILLE BOULEVARD BETWEEN SOUTH ALMONT AND LA PEER DRIVES**
 - Staff recommendation to change the zone designation only and integrate into Preferential Permit Parking Zone "AL" on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive

There were no comments from the audience.

Motion by LICHT, seconded by FRIEDMAN

4/1 To approve staff recommendation to change the zone designation only and integrate into Preferential Permit Parking Zone "AL" on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT
NOES: GRUSHCOW
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN:
CARRIED

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE AUGUST 1, 2013 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by STEINBERG, seconded by LEVINE

3/0 To approve the August 1, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes

AYES: STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: FRIEDMAN, GRUSHCOW
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 12:00 PM*

***TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

ATTACHMENT 6

Beverly Hills City Council

Notice of Public Meeting

October 3, 2013

BEVERLY HILLS CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING



8900 Block of Charleville Boulevard
South Side Only Between South Almont and La Peer Drives

The City of Beverly Hills invites your participation in the review of Preferential Permit Parking Zone "U" on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard.

MEETING: Beverly Hills City Council

DATE: Tuesday, October 3, 2013

TIME: 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard

LOCATION: City Hall, Council Chambers, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA, 90210

REQUEST: Change the zone designation on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives and integrate into Preferential Permit Parking Zone "AL" on the 200 block of South La Peer Drive. The existing parking regulation will not be modified.

ACTION: Consideration of a Traffic & Parking Commission recommendation to modify the permit zone designation from Zone "U" to Zone "AL" on the south side only of the 8900 block of Charleville Boulevard between South Almont and La Peer Drives as follows:

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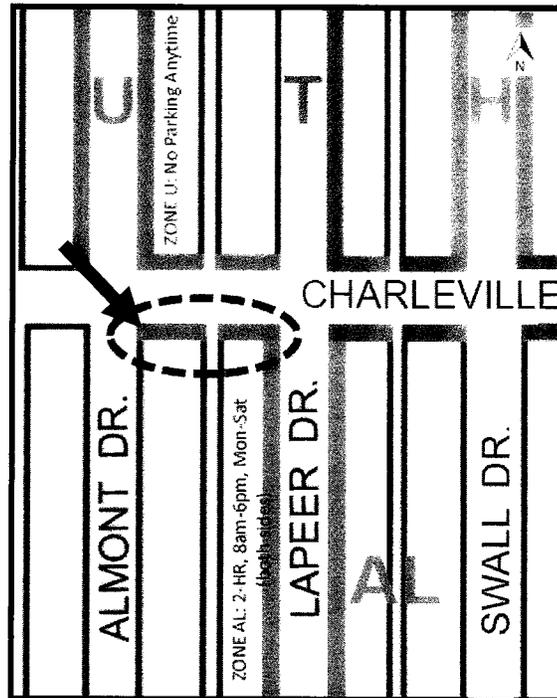
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