



City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

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SUBJECT: Introduction of Ordinance No. 1704(23) to Prohibit Overnight Parking on the 300 Block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, the 1400 and 1500 Blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 Block of North O Street; Adoption of Resolution No. 6575(23) to Create a Permit Parking Program on the 300 Block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, the 1400 and 1500 Blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 Block of North O Street

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council:

- 1) Introduce, for first reading by title only with further reading waived, Ordinance No. 1704(23) (Attachment 1), which prohibits overnight parking on North Ninth Street at the 300 block, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, North L Street at the 1400 and 1500 blocks, Commerce Court, and North O Street at the 1600 block; and
- 2) Adopt Resolution No. 6575(23) (Attachment 2), which creates a parking permit program for the 300 block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 block of North O Street.

Background:

On March 5, 2019, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1666(19) prohibiting overnight parking on Cordoba Avenue and Aviation Drive, which also provided for the creation of parking permit programs for restricted parking zones. Since the implementation of Ordinance No. 1666(19) there has been a substantial decrease in nuisance issues and other adverse impacts resulting from the parking of vehicles on Aviation Drive and Cordoba Avenue. Recently, the City has been contacted by the property owner of most

of the units on Industrial Way (Wine Ghetto) requesting the same overnight parking restrictions for Industrial Way, 300 block of North Ninth Street and Chestnut Court. The City then reached out to businesses on the 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 block of North O Street and received unanimous support of overnight parking restrictions on those streets.

Discussion:

The proposed ordinance prohibits parking of any vehicle on the 300 block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, and Chestnut Court between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. The proposed ordinance further prohibits parking of any vehicle on the 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street and Commerce Court between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. The proposed ordinance also prohibits parking of any vehicle on the 1600 block of North O Street between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. The differing hours of parking prohibitions are based upon specific business needs at each location. Those changes are intended to address the public peace, health, and safety issues currently existing on those streets, which consist of vehicles parking in excess of 72 hours, and increased calls for assistance to police due to theft, vandalism, trespassing, graffiti, defecating, discarding trash, and spreading debris within the public streets and on adjacent business properties, and at least one incident involving firearms. The City must install signs on those streets before the restrictions can be enforced.

Resolution No. 6575(23) creates the parking permit program for the 300 block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, the 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 block of North O Street, allowing only employees, patrons, and guests of adjacent businesses to park on those streets during the hours in which parking is prohibited by the proposed ordinance. The intent of the overnight parking ban will be maintained while accommodating the needs of adjacent businesses. The resolution will not be enforced unless and until the proposed ordinance is adopted and becomes effective.

Fiscal Impact:

If the new parking restrictions are adopted, then Police Department staff time will be spent enforcing the ordinance, although it may be a reduction in time compared to the Police Department resources devoted to the area currently. Some staff time will also be spent administering the parking permit program. Revenue which may be generated from fines imposed for violations of the resolution will serve to only partially offset costs of enforcement. Finally, prior to enforcement, the City will need to purchase and install signs on the 300 block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, the 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 block of North O Street to provide notice of the parking restrictions.

Conclusion:

Ordinance No. 1704(23) and Resolution No. 6575(23) address the public peace, health, and safety issues currently existing on the 300 block of North Ninth Street, Industrial Way, Chestnut Court, the 1400 and 1500 blocks of North L Street, Commerce Court, and the 1600 block of North O Street while continuing to allow access to the businesses and their patrons.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: 1) Ordinance No. 1704(23)
2) Resolution No. 6575(23)