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To: HOA Members

Subject: A Street Preferred Parking Program Review

As reported to you earlier today the **Board of Directors was requested by members living in the A Street parking permit area to consider changing the boundaries to eliminate the upper streets of Alta Vista, Aleppo, Alder and Almond.** The Board of Directors requested input from the impacted A street residents to determine if they supported no change in boundaries or an option to remove the upper A streets from the parking permit zone. The BOD sent email survey requests to members living in the A Street parking permit area to gather input on the option to request the City revised the boundaries to eliminate the upper streets of Alta Vista, Aleppo, Alder and Almond.

The final survey return count was 36 out of 104 homes in the permit zone. The BOD received recommendations from 10 Members to not change the parking zone boundaries and 26 Members supported option #2 to remove the upper A Streets from the parking permit zone. The issue was also discussed at last night's HOA meeting with members speaking to both options.

The Board Members noted the support of upper A street residents to reduce the boundaries to Aralia and Arbutus and found some A Street residents open to the change, but not at this time. The timing of this request for a change was a compelling point. It was stated by one member as follows

"We would like to retain current boundaries. We have seen an increase in cars parking on our street this past year. Especially when there is an event at the school, our street parking becomes full to the point where someone actually thought it was ok to park in front our driveway. The sports park has not yet been completed and the impact to the A streets, as well as traffic into and out of the A streets, It is not yet known, and it is way too early to determine to remove the required parking permits. Wait until the park has been in use for one year before we can truly see what the impact could be to our community."

The Board feels the "No School Parking" signs provided by the City at the entrance to A Street homes and enforcement by ticket on Aralia and Arbutus have been effective and less problems of school related vehicles parking on upper A streets has been reported. Also, the agreement in the EIR that CDMHS sports field entrances would be located away from Eastbluff Dr. and signs would be placed to direct students and visitors to park on school property would help decrease the school parking problem when the sports fields open in June 2020. The impact of the added activities on the sports field on A Street parking is unknown.

By a 5-0 vote the Board decided to not request any changes at this time. They indicated willingness to reconsider the issue in the future when we have more experience on impact of new sports fields. The Board's judgement was that the HOA will only get one chance at a change and the Board prefers it be after we have more experience with school parking when the CDMHS sports fields have been fully operational. No specific time frame was determined but Directors suggested a review could occur in six months after planned June sport filed opening. If the HOA request a reduction in the parking zone boundaries in December 2020, the City process is estimated to





take 3 to 6 months and any change would be effective the next cycle of selling permits in July 2021 for the August 2021 to June 2020 school year.

It is the view of the Board that the A street preferential parking permit program has been successful. The parking preferential program is in effect only when school is in session and limits parking to one hour between 7:00 am and 4:00 pm unless a residential parking permit is on display in the vehicle. Residents are encouraged to park vehicles in their garage and driveway. The price for a permanent or guest permit is \$18 each. Residents are not required to buy a permit.

At last night's meeting I stated I would contact the City Traffic Engineer and Parking Enforcement to see what mitigation measures I could obtain for upper A street residents. The City has stated they will not patrol the upper A streets for enforcement. They will only respond to residents calling in to complain about vehicles parked more than one hour during enforcement period and not having a current permit. I was not successful in obtaining approval for a "call in enforcement exception" when resident exceeds driveway, garage and three parking permits for a short-term need.

The correct City number to call to report parking in excess of one hour when the school is in session from 7 am to 4 pm is Parking Control Dispatch - Traffic Division Ph 949.644.3717.

I want to encourage all A street residents who need to utilize on street parking for their vehicles or a visitor to purchase permits and avoid any issues with a neighbor calling in a complaint. If you have parking needs in excess of your garage and driveway and on the street for more than one hour for vehicles without permits during the enforcement time of school in session and 7 am to 4 pm, you should move the vehicle within one hour or park that vehicle outside the parking zone.

Thank you for your understanding.

Ron Rubino, President

