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March 3, 1981

City Council
City Hall
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Law and Legislation Committee Recommendation Establishing
Parking Restrictions and Tow Away Zones on Weekends in the
Downtown Area.

Honorable Members in Session:

On February 5, 1981 and February 26, 1981, the Law and Legislation Committee considered the request by the City Police Department to establish parking restrictions and tow away zones between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights at certain locations on J and L Streets in the downtown area. The attached material explains the Police Department's request in more detail. On February 26th, the Committee voted unanimously (3-0) to approve the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Approval of the attached Resolutions restricting parking and establishing tow away zones is recommended by the Law and Legislation Committee.

Very truly yours,

DOUGLAS N. POPE, Chairman
LAW & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

DNP: KMF
ATTACHMENT

APPROVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK

Withdrawn



CITY OF SACRAMENTO

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
HALL OF JUSTICE
813 - 8TH STREET

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JOHN P. KEARNS
CHIEF OF POLICE

February 23, 1981

Law and Legislative Committee
City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Parking Restrictions on J Street between 5th and 14th Streets on the north side only; L Street between 3rd and 15th Streets on the south side only.

Establishing tow away zones at these locations.

SUMMARY

The above locations are recommended for restrictions on Friday and Saturday nights between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. in conjunction with the Traffic Engineering Division.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Traffic congestion on J and L Streets between 3rd and 15th Streets has become a serious police problem. This area, referred to as the "Loop" becomes heavily congested with generally teenage drivers every Friday and Saturday night between the hours stated. The traffic frequently becomes so dense during this time that the movement of vehicles is slowed to a stop; intersections are blocked creating congestion throughout the entire downtown area.

The situation generates numerous calls for police service, in regards to fights, disturbances, robberies and serious assaults. Police response to these calls is frequently delayed for a significant amount of time, even though units may be only a block or two away.

Additionally, there are a large number of older structures within this area. In the event of a conflagration it would be impossible for emergency fire vehicles to respond on these streets. This would also be true of ambulances responding to aid injured victims.

By prohibiting parking in these areas it would provide an unobstructed lane which could be effectively utilized by police and other emergency vehicles that respond to numerous emergency situations occurring in this area.

February 23, 1981

After our initial appearance before the Law and Legislative Committee, the Department surveyed the downtown merchants whose businesses would be open during the hours of restriction, and the management of the Convention Center. In response to the concerns of these proprietors our original resolution has been amended to restrict J Street parking between 5th and 14th Streets on the north side only, instead of between 3rd and 14th Streets on the north side only. The Convention Center management supports our resolution.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

No impact.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the attached resolutions be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Kearns
Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:

Walter J. Slipe
City Manager

JPK:FBS:njg
Ref: 2-41

District 1

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING PARKING DURING CERTAIN HOURS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

SECTION 1.

Pursuant to Section 25.103 of the Sacramento City Code when signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall stop, stand, or park any vehicle upon any of the following described streets or parts of streets between the hours specified on said signs.

Balboa Circle;

Bidwell Way between Freeport Boulevard and 19th Street on the north side only;

Bidwell Way between Freeport Boulevard and the Western Pacific tracks on the south side only;

Caleb Avenue between Sandburg Drive (West) and Sandburg Drive (East);

Carlson Drive between Sandburg Drive (North) and State Avenue;

Cisco Circle;

Colonial Way between Stockton Boulevard and Sherman Way;

E Street between Coloma Way and 270' Easterly;

Freeport Boulevard between 4th Avenue and Sutterville Road;

Hale Court;

J Street between 5th Street and 14th Street on the north side only;

J Street between 7th and 8th Streets on the north side only;

J Street between 14th Street and 15th Street on the south side only;

J Street between 55th Street and 56th Street;

K Street between 14th Street and 16th Street on the north side only;

L Street between 3rd Street and 15th Street on the south side only;

O Street between 8th Street and 9th Street;
Sacramento Boulevard between Broadway and the south city limits;
Sandburg Drive between State Avenue (West) and State Avenue (East);
Seward Court;
Sherman Way between Stockton Boulevard and Colonial Way;
Southgate Road from Royal Oaks Drive and 300 feet westerly;
Stacia Way between Shielah Way and Joaquin Way on the north side only;
State Avenue between Sandburg Drive (West) and Sandburg Drive (East);
T Street between 39th Street and 44th Street;
U Street between Stockton Boulevard and 48th Street;
V Street between 39th Street and 48th Street on the north side only;
West Land Park Drive between Cavanaugh Way and Bartley Drive;
X Street between Stockton Boulevard and 45th Street on the south side only;
7th Avenue between Freeport Boulevard and 19th Street on the north side only;
8th Street between Capitol Avenue and O Street;
9th Avenue from 23rd Street east on the north side only;
9th Street between K Street and L Street on the east side only;
9th Street between Capitol Avenue and P Street;
9th Street between P Street and Q Street on the east side only;
9th Street between V Street and W Street on the east side only;
13th Avenue between Land Park Drive and Freeport Boulevard on the north side only;
16th Street between D Street and J Street on the west side only;
24th Street between Broadway and 1st Avenue on the east side only;
24th Street between Burnett Way and 1st Avenue on the west side only;
39th Street between T Street and V Street;
40th Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
41st Street between H Street and J Street on the west side only;
41st Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;

42nd Street between V Street and Hwy. 50;
43rd Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
44th Street between T Street and Hwy. 50;
45th Street between V Street and Hwy. 50;
59th Street between P Street and R Street on the west side only;
59th Street between 8th and 11th Avenues, west side;
61st Street between 8th and 11th Avenues, east side;
Drives in William Land Park;

SECTION 2.

Resolution No. 80-713 is hereby repealed.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOW-AWAY ZONES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

Pursuant to Section 25.107 of the Sacramento City Code when signs are erected giving notice thereof, vehicles parked or left standing at certain times will be towed away on the following described streets or parts of streets:

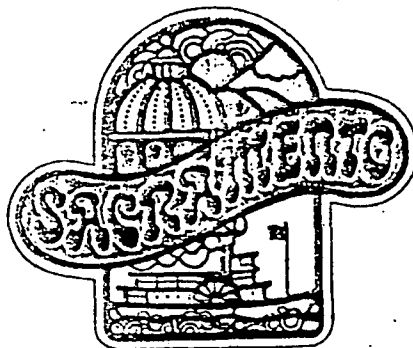
J Street between 5th Street and 14th Street on the north side only;

L Street between 3rd Street and 15th Street on the south side only.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK



COMMUNITY/CONVENTION CENTER
CITY OF SACRAMENTO
SAM J. BURNS, GENERAL MANAGER

February 23, 1981

John P. Kearns, Chief of Police
Sacramento Police Department
813 Sixth Street
Sacramento, California 95814

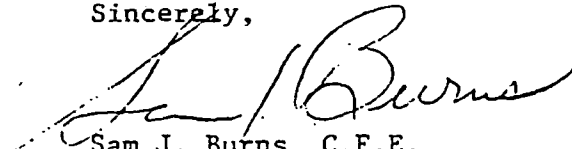
Dear Chief Kearns:

In response to your inquiry as to banning parking along J & L Streets, it is our opinion that although this would cause inconvenience to some of our customers, the value derived by closing off the parking far outweighs that inconvenience.

Following meetings with my staff, it has been determined that we do support the closing off of one of the curb lanes on J and L Streets. We do, however, hope that the Police Department will assist us with the problem of clearing those areas where youths gather and park at the Community Center loading dock-zone areas during events at the Community Center.

Should you need any further information concerning this, please contact me.

Sincerely,


Sam J. Burns, C.F.E.
General Manager

SJB/bjk



M E M O R A N D U M

SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT

To : JERRY V. FINNEY
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE

ATTN: JOHN G. MIHANOVICH, DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE
OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

From : LARRY A. HINDS, ADMINISTRATIVE SERGEANT
PATROL DIVISION

Subject: J & L STREET TOW AWAY ZONE

Date: FEBRUARY 19, 1981

Ref. No:

The following merchants along J and L Streets were contacted regarding their feelings towards the proposed tow away zones and how they would affect their business.

Adult Books, 807 J Street -- "For" the tow away zone. They don't get much business on Friday and Saturday nights and do not think it would hurt them.

The Broiler, 1015 J Street -- "For" the tow away zone. They don't feel that it will affect their business as most customers park in back.

Masonic Temple, 1123 J Street -- "Opposed" to tow away zone. They have many gatherings on Friday and Saturday nights and feel that the older people may stay away if they have to walk too far. They have a Senior Citizens dance on Saturday nights. They also feel that most of the problem is west of 11th Street.

Capitol Club, 1319 J Street -- "For" the tow away zone. Feel the problem is mostly on other side of 11th Street. Almost all of their trade is local walk-ins. Some young people have tried to use the restrooms but are stopped at the door and not allowed in.

Frank Fats, 806 L Street -- "No opposition". There are only 2 parking spaces on L Street by Frank Fats. The effect should be extremely minimal.

Torch Club, 780 L Street -- "For" the tow away zone. It will have no effect upon our business at all. Maybe it will help settle things down.

Showcase Theater, 412 L Street -- "No opposition". The proposed tow away zone will have no affect upon the business of the theater.

Harry's, 401 L Street -- "No opposition". The tow away zone will not affect the business as there is currently no parking allowed there.

Hobo Joe's, 925 3rd Street -- "No opposition". There is currently no parking allowed in front of Hobo Joe's. The proposed zone should have no affect upon their business.

Hong King Lum's, 419 J Street -- "Opposed". They will lose 6-8 parking spaces on J Street. They feel it will cause older people who frequent their business to take their trade elsewhere. They also admitted to having lost customers due to Friday-Saturday night traffic. Feel it is a stalemate.