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Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Montgomery and Members of the City Council

THROUGH:  David N. Carmany, City Manager

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police 
 Richard Thompson, Community Development Director 
 Jack Rydell, Traffic Engineer
 Andy Harrod, Lieutenant 

DATE: May 17, 2011

SUBJECT: Consideration of City Council Work Plan Item to Implement Oversized Vehicle and Trailer Parking Ordinances.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council waive further reading and a) introduce Ordinance No. 2144 adding Chapter 14.46 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding oversized vehicle parking, b) introduce Ordinance No. 2145 amending Chapter 14.36 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding detached trailer parking, and c) authorize the use of \$14,000 from the Council Contingency account to purchase the necessary signage.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

The proposed ordinances will require signage at the entrances of the City and in designated areas around schools at an estimated cost of \$10,000 to \$14,000; funds would be taken from the Council Contingency Fund which has an approximate balance of \$70,450. Adoption of the ordinances may result in additional parking citation fines and impound fees.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council, Police Department, and other City staff members receive complaints about traffic and parking each year. The presence of oversized/recreational vehicles (including motorhomes, campers, boats, and trailers) is a recurring issue among these complaints. Concerns and frustrations include reduced roadway space for motorists (especially on narrow streets), oversized vehicles occupying multiple valuable parking spaces, safety concerns regarding line of sight of approaching traffic at intersections and driveways, oversized vehicles parked near schools, and the visual blight.

Many cities in Los Angeles County have implemented stricter regulations for oversized vehicles, including implementation of permit programs. The Cities of Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Culver City, Hawthorne, Lakewood, Bellflower, Santa Monica, and Los Angeles (including the community of Venice) are among more than 20 cities in the County to have oversized vehicle parking restrictions. Redondo Beach City Council adopted oversized vehicle parking restrictions and a permit program in October 2010. Redondo Beach City Council adopted registration fees,

permit fees, and fines on March 15, 2011. Signs are currently being installed at the entrances to the City; enforcement will begin in summer 2011. Neighboring cities of El Segundo and Hermosa Beach are also exploring oversized vehicle parking restrictions for their communities. Currently, the majority of oversized vehicles parked on City streets belong to Manhattan Beach residents. As more cities adopt oversized vehicle parking restrictions, it is possible that the number of non-resident oversized vehicles parking in our community may increase if we do not have any oversized vehicle parking restrictions.

Oversized vehicle parking was added to City Council's FY 2009-2010 Work Plan, and discussed at the March 2, 2010 City Council Meeting. The Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) was directed to receive public comments and recommend an ordinance for City Council approval (Parking and Public Improvement Commission meetings were held on April 22, July 22, and August 26, 2010). The Commission provided a recommendation for a proactively enforced permit program similar to the City of Torrance, where oversized vehicle parking would be prohibited Citywide without obtaining a permit. Residents would be limited to a certain number of permits per year to ensure that oversized vehicles could not be stored on public streets; permits would not allow parking around schools, parks, and community centers. The Commission also recommended a fee structure for the permits and an annual renewal process. On December 21, 2010, staff returned to City Council with the Commission's recommendations (Attachment D).

At the December 21, 2010, City Council Meeting, City Council directed staff to return with oversized vehicle parking restrictions and corresponding ordinance that did not require permits or fees. Signs are to be posted around the perimeter of the City prohibiting oversized vehicle parking. Oversized vehicle parking is to be expressly prohibited around schools, parks, and community centers. Citations for oversized vehicle parking violations are to be set at three times the standard citation price. Enforcement of oversized vehicle parking is to be complaint driven, except around schools, parks, and community centers where police are to actively enforce observed violations.

DISCUSSION:

The Police Department, Community Development Department, and City Attorney's Office took the recommendations of Council and created the proposed ordinances in an effort to meet all of City Council's directives while balancing the needs of residents who own oversized vehicles to load and unload for trips and providing the Police Department an effective enforcement tool.

Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance

The proposed oversized vehicle ordinance prohibits oversized vehicles, defined as a vehicle or combination of vehicles greater than 22 feet long or 7 feet wide or 8 feet high, from parking on City streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., Monday through Thursday. Exceptions will be made for commercial vehicles actively engaged in making deliveries or providing services. (Attachment A - Ordinance No. 2144 adding new M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.46.)

In order to enforce the new ordinances in compliance with the California Vehicle Code, signs will need to be posted at all entrances to the City (Attachment B). Staff anticipates approximately 60 signs around our City perimeter; the majority of signs will be installed on existing street sign poles.

The Police Department will use a complaint-driven method of citing oversized vehicles in violation of the overnight parking restrictions. If a resident complains about a neighbor's oversized vehicle,

this starts a 72-hour clock; the oversized vehicle must be moved out of the City (removed from any public street, alley, or public parking lot) within 72 hours. If a second complaint is received after the 72-hour period, but within a 30-day period, the Police Department will issue a parking citation. Front desk personnel will keep a log of oversized vehicles receiving complaints and graveyard patrol officers will monitor the oversized vehicles receiving complaints and issue citations, as appropriate.

In the proposed ordinance, oversized vehicle parking adjacent to and across the street from any school property or City-owned park or community center is expressly prohibited. This provision provides the City latitude to erect no-parking signs in these specific areas as problems arise. At this time, staff recommends installing signage around Pacific Elementary school because of continued oversized vehicle parking issues in that area. Signs will be installed on existing poles, where possible. Patrol officers and parking enforcement officers will monitor areas where parking is prohibited and cite immediately.

To address parking of guests with oversized vehicles, staff suggests that households be allowed 10 days per year for visiting relatives, providing the guest is parked in front of the resident's home (if this is not possible, the resident would need to obtain written permission to park in front of a neighbor's home). The Police Department would keep record of the guest requests per residential address. If the guest's stay was 72 hours or less, or over the weekend during non-enforcement periods, a resident may not chose to go through the steps to get official guest parking permission. However, staff felt that providing this option would ensure that the guest of a resident is not issued a warning citation during their stay and that, if needed, the guest could park for more than a 72-hour period.

Although there are no restrictions for parking oversized vehicles during day and early evening hours, staff feels that the overnight parking restrictions should address the problem of those oversized vehicle owners who park their vehicles regularly on sensitive streets.

Citation amount will be set by resolution and will be three times the standard parking ticket amount; presently, that would result in a \$144 citation (\$48 for a standard citation x 3). Staff recommends that oversized vehicle parking fines and fees be reevaluated when the City reviews user fees.

Staff will use a variety of methods to notify the public of the adopted ordinances, including the City website, City newsletter, message boards, and utility bill insert. If the proposed ordinance is approved, staff recommends enforcement begin on January 1, 2012 to allow oversized vehicle owners time to find adequate off-street storage and allow Public Works staff to install the necessary signage. Staff will return to Council with a status report in the summer of 2012.

Non-Motorized Vehicle Parking

Staff also receives numerous complaints about detached trailers parked on City streets. The proposed non-motorized vehicle ordinance is modeled after the cities of Hawthorne, Thousand Oaks, and Downey and prohibits all non-motorized vehicles (e.g. travel trailers, utility trailers, boats), regardless of their size, from parking on City streets at any time unless the non-motorized vehicle is attached to a motor vehicle capable of moving it. Exceptions are allowed for loading/unloading or emergency repairs (up to eight hours). Citation amount will be three times the standard parking ticket amount. (Attachment C - Ordinance 2145 amending M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.36.)

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that the City Council waive further reading and introduce oversized vehicle parking Ordinance No. 2144 and detached trailer parking Ordinance No. 2145. If the proposed ordinances are approved, the Police Department will continue to work with the City Attorney, Community Development, Public Works, and the Finance to implement the ordinances.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance (No. 2144, M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.46)
- B. Sample "No Parking" Signs
- C. Detached Trailer Parking Ordinance (No. 2145, M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.36)
- D. City Council Staff Report dated December 21, 2010 (with Attachments)
- E. City Council Minutes dated December 21, 2010

ORDINANCE NO. 2144

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 14.46 REGARDING PARKING OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES AND TRAILERS

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Manhattan Beach City Council hereby finds as follows:

- a. Oversized vehicles such as recreational vehicles and large trucks, when parked on residential streets, can create a safety hazard by reducing visibility;
- b. Oversized vehicles also present a significant burden on limited parking availability on residential streets since a single vehicle uses more than a standard passenger vehicle parking space;
- c. It is therefore necessary and in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Manhattan Beach to amend the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to adopt restrictions on parking oversized vehicles and trailers.

SECTION 2. A new Chapter 14.46 is hereby added to Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding prohibition of parking of oversized vehicles to read as follows:

"Chapter 14.46 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Trailers Prohibited on City Streets.

14.46.010 Definitions.

'Oversized Vehicle' shall mean any vehicle, as defined by Section 670 of the California Vehicle Code, or combination of vehicles, which exceeds twenty-two feet in length or seven feet in width or eight feet in height, exclusive of projecting lights or devices allowed by Section 35109 or 35110 of the California Vehicle Code.

'Trailer' shall mean a trailer (including utility, boat/watercraft, and motorcycle trailers), semi trailer, camp trailer (including tent trailers), camper, or trailer coach, as defined in Sections 242, 243, 550, 630, 635, and 636 of the California Vehicle Code, or fifth-wheel travel trailer, as defined in Section 324 of the Vehicle Code, regardless of trailer length or width.

14.46.020 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Trailers.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter;

- A. No person shall park or leave standing any Oversized Vehicle or Trailer upon any public street, highway, alley, or public parking lot in the City at any time between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday.
- B. No person shall park or leave standing any Oversized Vehicle or Trailer, at any time, in a Restricted Oversized Vehicle Parking Area, as defined in Section 14.46.040.

14.46.030 Exceptions.

The prohibitions contained in Chapter 14.46 shall not apply to any of the following:

- A. Oversized Vehicles or Trailers parked or left standing as a result of a mechanical breakdown so as to allow the performance of emergency repairs on the vehicle for a period not to exceed eight hours. Emergency repairs shall be limited to repairs necessitated by sudden unforeseen events, such as a flat tire. Emergency repairs shall not include routine or normal maintenance;
- B. Commercial vehicles making pickups or delivery of goods, wares or merchandise, or while actively providing services, including, but not limited to yard maintenance, pool care and maintenance, repair and construction services;
- C. Tow trucks and similar vehicles that are in the course of providing services;
- D. Public or utility vehicles and trailers that are in the course of providing services, pursuant to Section 14.08.080 (Exemption of Certain Vehicles);
- E. Any public emergency vehicle.
- F. Oversized vehicles registered with the State Department of Motor Vehicles to a disabled person as defined in Section 22511.5 of the California Vehicle Code and displaying a distinguishable placard or license plate issued by the state department of motor vehicles subject to the following provisions.
 - 1) Vehicles registered to a non-disabled driver of a disabled person are not exempt.
 - 2) Only vehicles registered to city residents are exempt.
 - 3) An exempt vehicle shall be the only vehicle registered to the resident.
 - 4) Only vehicles parked adjacent to the registered owner's residence are exempt.
- G. When the City Council has determined by resolution that the parking of oversized vehicles on certain streets, portions of streets, or properties shall be permitted.

14.46.040 Restricted Oversized Vehicle Parking Areas.

The following are restricted oversized vehicle parking areas:

- A. Any portion of a city street adjacent to or across the street from a public or private school, a city owned park, or city-operated community center;
- B. Within twenty-five (25) feet of any intersection;
- C. Wherever the Traffic Engineer has caused lines or markings painted or otherwise designated upon the parkway, curb, sidewalk, roadway, driveway, parking lot, or street in such a manner as to identify by said markings individual parking spaces, and the oversized vehicle or combination of vehicles crosses any such line or marking, or occupies more than the single space designated by said markings.

14.46.050 Oversized Vehicle Hook-Ups.

No person shall run electrical cords, extension cords, hoses, cables, or other items across, above or on the parkway or sidewalk from a residential or commercial property to an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer parked on a public street.

14.46.060 Violation of Chapter.

Any person or vehicle in violation of any provision in this Chapter is guilty of an infraction and the vehicle in violation will be subject to citation, towing, or both.

Vehicles parked in violation of this chapter may be cited immediately and fined for each violation in accordance with the resolution of fees set by the City Council. Each day a violation is committed shall be considered a separate offense subject to the issuance of a separate citation.

Vehicles parked in violation of this chapter may be removed after 72-hours, pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 22651.

14.46.070 Application of Regulations.

The prohibitions in this Chapter will apply at all times, or at those times specified, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or to comply with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

The time limitations on standing or parking in this Chapter will not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the California Vehicle Code or the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

The provisions of this ordinance supersede any City overnight permit program.

Nothing in this Chapter will be construed to permit vehicle habitation on a public street as prohibited by Section 14.36.160 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code.

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this ordinance, and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This notice shall be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and operation thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance; shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted; and shall within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof cause the same to be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City and a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated within the City of Manhattan Beach hereby designated for that purpose.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 7th day of June, 2011.

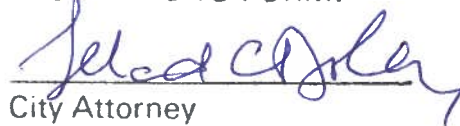
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Absent:
Abstain:

Mayor, City of Manhattan Beach, California

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By 
City Attorney

Entry Street OV Parking Restriction Sign

18" x 30"

**NO PARKING
OF OVERSIZED
VEHICLES/TRAILERS**

**(EXCEEDS 22 FEET IN LENGTH, 7
FEET IN WIDTH OR 8 FEET IN HEIGHT)
ON ANY PUBLIC STREET, ALLEY OR
PUBLIC PARKING LOT WITHIN
MANHATTAN BEACH CITY LIMITS**

2 AM – 6 AM

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**VIOLATORS SUBJECT TO
CITATION AND/OR TOWING AT
VEHICLE OWNERS EXPENSE**

MBMC 14.46

Full Time OV Parking Restriction Sign
At Schools, Parks and Community Centers

12" x 18"



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ORDINANCE NO. 2145

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 14.36.180 TO CHAPTER 14.36 OF TITLE 14 OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING PARKING OF DETACHED TRAILERS

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Manhattan Beach City Council hereby finds as follows:

- a. Detached trailers and other non-motorized vehicles can, when parked on residential streets, create a safety hazard by reducing visibility;
- b. Detached trailers are not motorized and can not be readily moved to provide emergency access on a public street if needed in the event of an emergency;
- c. It is therefore necessary and in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Manhattan Beach to amend the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to prohibit parking of detached trailers.

SECTION 2. A new Section 14.36.180 is hereby added to Chapter 14.36 of Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code is hereby added to Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to read as follows:

"14.36.180 Parking of non-motorized vehicles prohibited on City streets

No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any non-motorized vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer, shall park such vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer upon any street, alley, public way or public place, unless such vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer is attached to a motor vehicle capable of providing the motive power for moving the vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer upon the highway, street, alley, public right of way or public place at all such times it is so parked.

This subsection shall not prohibit the parking of a trailer or semi-trailer in the process of being loaded or unloaded, nor of a vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer which is disabled in such a manner and to such an extent that it requires some vehicle or facility other than its normal means of motivation; provided, however, such vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer so disabled may remain so parked while unattached to the motor vehicle described in this subsection only for the time necessary for the vehicle or facility to be provided for its removal, and in no event longer than eight (8) hours.

Any person who violates any provision in this Article is guilty of an infraction and will be subject to citation, towing, or both."

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this ordinance, and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This notice shall be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and operation thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance; shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted; and shall within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof cause the same to be published

by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City and a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated within the City of Manhattan Beach hereby designated for that purpose.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 7th day of June, 2011.

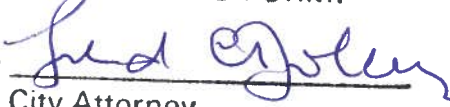
Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:

Mayor, City of Manhattan Beach, California

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By 
City Attorney



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Attachment D

Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Montgomery and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Richard Thompson, Interim City Manager

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police
Robert Wadden, City Attorney
Laurie Jester, Interim Community Development Director
Andy Harrod, Lieutenant
Jack Rydell, Traffic Engineer

DATE: December 21, 2010

SUBJECT: Consideration of Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) Recommendation for City Council 2009-2010 Work Plan Item to Implement an Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit Program through the Introduction of Ordinance No. 2139 Amending Chapter 14.36 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code and Ordinance No. 2140 Adding Chapter 14.46 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council waive further reading and a) introduce Ordinance No. 2139 amending Chapter 14.36 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding detached trailer parking, and b) introduce Ordinance No. 2140 adding Chapter 14.46 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding oversized vehicle (OV) parking.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

The proposed ordinances will require signage at the entrances of the City at an estimated cost of \$6,000 to \$10,000; funds would be taken from the Council Contingency Fund which has an approximate balance of \$82,950. Recommended fees for annual City oversized vehicle registration and daily parking permits will offset ongoing costs to operate the program. Adoption of the ordinances will result in additional revenue from parking citations and impounds, but the amount of revenue is undeterminable at this time. If approved, staff will return with a resolution to adopt the recommended fees.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council, Police Department, and other City staff members receive complaints about traffic and parking each year. The presence of oversized/recreational vehicles (including motorhomes, campers, boats, and trailers) is a recurring issue among these complaints. Concerns include safety issues, reducing visibility of drivers when backing out of driveways and entering

intersections, child safety in reference to oversized vehicles parked near schools, loss of multiple parking spaces, and visual blight.

Oversized vehicle parking was added to City Council's Work Plan for FY 2009/2010, and on March 2, 2010, City Council directed staff to work with the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) to develop the details of an oversized vehicle ordinance and permit program and to return to City Council with final recommendations.

The PPIC met on April 22, July 22, and August 26, 2010 to take comments from residents, discuss the various types of permit programs implemented in other cities, and develop the details of an ordinance and permit program for staff to bring back to City Council. PPIC meetings were noticed in the Beach Reporter and announcements about the PPIC meetings were made at City Council and Planning Commission televised meetings. Meeting information was put on the City website and a notice soliciting resident feedback was distributed to residents and businesses in Manhattan Beach as a utility bill insert. These notices were also placed at the Police Department front desk and the Finance and Community Development Department counters at City Hall.

As of December 1, 2010, 72 written comments were received by City staff on this topic (Attachment D). Fifty-three (53) were in support of oversized vehicle parking restrictions, 13 were opposed, and six (6) shared general comments or questions about parking. During the course of the PPIC community meetings, 25 residents spoke on the topic - 18 people opposed oversized vehicle parking restrictions and seven (7) were in support.

It is estimated that there are more than 160 oversized vehicles registered in the City of Manhattan Beach. A good majority of residents maintain their vehicles in private storage facilities and only drive them to their homes to prepare for excursions, or park their OV's on their private property. Some residents consistently park their oversized vehicles on City streets near their homes; others park away from their homes around schools or parks or on Parkview Avenue. Those who use public streets for long-term storage of their vehicle move their vehicle when it is marked for 72-hour parking or for street sweeping in order to avoid citation and storage fees. Privately owned parking lots are controlled by the property owner, and if an unauthorized OV is parked there, the property owner can have the OV cited or towed if properly posted.

Some residents who own OV's and maintain them at off-site storage facilities do not want to be penalized with the imposition of additional registration and permit costs. Other residents who maintain their oversized vehicles on City streets at or near their residence value the accessibility of their vehicles and believe that they may not be able to find or afford proximate storage facilities. Staff researched available storage facilities in the South Bay (El Segundo, Torrance, Hawthorne, Gardena) and, depending on the length of the oversized vehicle, staff found storage facilities starting at around \$150 per month for a 26' vehicle and around \$170 per month for a 34' vehicle (prices varied depending on the amenities provided by the storage facility).

Residents in support of oversized vehicle parking restrictions shared their objections to oversized vehicles parking on City streets. Their concerns and frustrations include reduced roadway space for motorists (especially on narrow streets), oversized vehicles occupying multiple valuable parking spaces, safety concerns regarding line of sight of approaching traffic at intersections and driveways, and the visual blight.

Several cities in the Los Angeles area have implemented stricter regulations for oversized vehicles, including implementation of permit programs. Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Hawthorne, Culver City, Lakewood, Bellflower, Santa Monica, and Los Angeles (including the community of Venice) are among more than 20 cities in Los Angeles County to have oversized vehicle parking restrictions. Redondo Beach City Council passed OV parking restrictions on September 7, 2010 and the Redondo Police Department anticipates enforcement will begin in Spring 2011. Neighboring cities El Segundo and Hermosa Beach are also exploring OV parking restrictions for their communities. Currently, the majority of OVs parked on City streets belong to Manhattan Beach residents. As more cities adopt oversized vehicle parking restrictions, it is possible that the number of non-resident oversized vehicles parking in our community may increase if we do not have any oversized vehicle parking restrictions.

On August 26, 2010, the PPIC unanimously approved a Detached Trailer Parking Ordinance and a separate Oversized Vehicle Parking Program Ordinance.

The proposed ordinances are anticipated to overcome the shortcomings of the City's existing 72-hour parking restriction. Manhattan Beach Municipal Code 14.36.060 titled, "Use of streets for storage of vehicles prohibited" states that "no person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of seventy-two (72) hours." The law is difficult to enforce and requires constant monitoring by Police staff to ensure that the vehicles are not exceeding the designated time limits. Vehicle owners are often aware of the 72-hour grace period and move the vehicle within that time period, sometimes only a few feet, and other times to the opposite side of the street or around the corner. The movement of vehicles every 72 hours is currently an endless cycle which allows vehicle owners trying to avoid a parking citation or vehicle impound a way to circumvent the City's 72-hour parking restrictions.

The proposed ordinances balance the needs of residents who own oversized vehicles to load and unload for trips and accommodate for oversized vehicles of houseguests, while providing the Police Department an enforcement tool to effectively prevent long-term storage of oversized vehicles on public streets.

Non-Motorized Vehicles Parking

The proposed non-motorized vehicle ordinance is modeled after the cities of Hawthorne, Thousand Oaks, and Downey and prohibits all non-motorized vehicles (such as travel trailers, utility trailers, boats, and inoperable cars), regardless of their size, from parking on City streets unless the non-motorized vehicle is attached to a motor vehicle capable of providing the motive power for moving the non-motorized vehicle upon the highway, street, alley, public way or public place. Exceptions may be allowed for loading/unloading or emergency repairs for up to eight hours. (Attachment A - Ordinance 2139 amending M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.36.) All trailers attached to motor vehicles will be required to get an oversized vehicle permit, as stipulated in the proposed ordinance outlined below.

Oversized Vehicle Parking Program Ordinance

The proposed oversized vehicle ordinance, modeled after the cities of Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Signal Hill, and Lakewood (Attachment C), prohibits oversized vehicles (OV), defined

as a vehicle greater than 22 feet long or 7 feet wide or 8 feet high, or any type of trailer, from parking on City streets. Exceptions will be made for oversized vehicle (OV) owners/renters/visitors who obtain a daily parking permit and for commercial vehicles actively engaged in making deliveries or providing services. (Attachment B - Ordinance No. 2140 adding new M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.46.)

Daily Permits for Registered OVs

Residents would register their oversized vehicle annually with the City by filling out an application and submitting proof of residency, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. Residents will receive a numbered vehicle registration sticker to display in their OV window each year. Oversized vehicles will be registered to the Manhattan Beach residential address.

Registered vehicles must display their registration sticker and activate a daily parking permit in order to park on City streets. Daily parking permits may be purchased from the Police Department or Finance Department and will likely cost \$1.00 per day and can be purchased in bundles of 24. Permits, if not used, will not expire from year to year. Residents who wish to park their oversized vehicle on the street may do so for up to two (2) consecutive days in a 72-hour period by activating their pre-purchased daily paperless parking pass by calling the Police Department and providing their registration information and the date(s) they will be parked on the street. Residents may use up to 72 daily paperless parking permits each calendar year.

Daily Permits for Visitors (Including Rental OVs)

The ordinance also includes provisions for daily visitor permits, which are suitable for either OVs of guests or residents, as well as OVs rented by Manhattan Beach residents. No more than two visitor permits can be issued to a Manhattan Beach address on consecutive days, with a maximum of 30 daily visitor permits in a calendar year. Daily visitor permits will likely cost \$5 per day and will likely need to be purchased and activated by the Manhattan Beach resident on behalf of their guest in person at the Police Department.

Other Considerations

Requiring an oversized vehicle owner to park within some proximity to one's home (i.e. in the curb space adjacent to one's home, within 200 feet, etc.) was discussed. However, residents presented situations where parking near their home would be unavailable. Based on residents' feedback, PPIC determined that this was not a necessary requirement because if a resident was only parking their OV for limited periods of time for purposes of loading and unloading for a trip, it is likely they would be motivated to park as close as possible to their home regardless of said restrictions. Also, due to situations where parking is simply not available on a particular street or area, it would unfairly preclude certain oversized vehicle owners from parking their OVs for trip preparation and clean-up.

Stricter oversized vehicle parking restrictions imposed in designated areas (i.e. around schools, parks, and community centers) were discussed. It was discussed that, in order to handle resident concerns about safety and loss of parking spaces around schools, specific signage be posted on streets immediately adjacent to schools that restricts parking of any oversized vehicle, regardless of whether or not the oversized vehicle is registered and has a permit. However, if the oversized

vehicle ban is adopted and is universal, then the daily oversized vehicle parking permit is limited to its own terms. Therefore, the Chief of Police can administratively designate areas around schools, community centers, and parks where oversized vehicle parking is restricted regardless of a permit, without posting specific signage around schools. Information about restricted parking areas will be posted on the City website and will be included in the packet residents receive upon registering their oversized vehicle. If specific areas continue to be problematic, signs can be posted in those specific areas to address those specific needs.

PPIC felt it was important that enforcement was consistent and proactive and not just complaint driven, as complaint driven enforcement often pits neighbor against neighbor. For this reason, the Commission placed great importance on the enforceability of the ordinance. Parking enforcement officers are on duty from 5:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and will be primarily responsible for enforcement of the ordinance. Parking Enforcement Officers will be directed to confirm valid daily parking passes when they come across an OV and are not en route to an urgent call. They will also follow up with any complaint calls received from residents and monitor areas where parking is expressly prohibited (i.e. immediately adjacent to schools, community centers, parks, and other areas the Chief of Police deems appropriate due to safety concerns). Patrol officers and traffic officers will assist in enforcement when the parking enforcement officers are unavailable, and will be expected to issue citations for observed violations.

Enforcement

In order to enforce the provisions of the new ordinances in compliance with the California Vehicle Code, signs will need to be posted at all entrances to the City (examples of signs from neighboring cities are included in Attachment E). Staff anticipates approximately 60 signs; the majority of signs will be able to collocate on existing street sign poles.

An OV parked on City streets without a daily permit would be in violation of the ordinance, and for each day the vehicle was parked on City streets without a permit, is subject to citation. The Police Department will develop guidelines for when an oversized vehicle may be towed, including multiple OV parking violations and parking in designated areas such as adjacent to schools, community centers, and parks. In Manhattan Beach, parking citations are \$45, and go up with the City resolution of fees. PPIC (with a 3-2 vote) recommended that the oversized vehicle parking citations be three times the standard parking citation price, which would currently be \$135. Most cities we surveyed kept their standard citation price. Cities that charged a higher price for oversized vehicle parking violations in order to encourage compliance include Torrance (\$133), Bellflower (\$70), and Signal Hill (\$65). The Commissioners felt that the citation needed to be high enough to deter people from attempting to elude enforcement by not registering their vehicle or getting daily parking permits. Staff has spoken with a few OV owners who routinely store their OV on City streets who stated that they would rather pay an occasional parking citation than to pay for vehicle storage offsite. However, with the proposed ordinance, staff will be able to cite daily for OV violations and believes that this will serve as a sufficient deterrent. For this reason, staff recommends keeping the standard citation rate and, if compliance appears to be problematic, increase the fines as needed.

Staff would use a variety of methods to notify the public of the adopted ordinances, including posting information on the City website, printing information in the City newsletter, and including an insert in utility bills. If the proposed ordinance is approved, staff recommends

enforcement begin on April 4, 2011 to allow OV owners time to find adequate off-street storage and acclimate to the OV parking permit process.

Cost Recovery via Registration and Permit Program Fees

PPIC recommended that the fees for the program cover the costs of operating the program. Staff proposes a first year vehicle registration fee of \$35 and an annual renewal fee of \$15 thereafter. Fees collected for annual City OV registration, coupled with the daily resident and visitor parking passes, will recover the cost to administer day-to-day operations of the program. Replacement registration stickers (in case of loss, theft, excessive fading, etc.) will be charged to the vehicle owner at cost (around \$5). A resident who wishes to utilize the maximum number of daily permits would expend \$107 to park 72 days out of the year in their first year, and \$87 in subsequent years for the life of the oversized vehicle. An OV owner wishing to park their vehicle two days a month, or 24 times a year, would expend \$59 in their first year and \$39 in subsequent years. The OV owner who rarely parks their OV in Manhattan Beach, for example 4 days a year, would expend \$39 their first year and \$19 in subsequent years; or, they may opt not to register their OV and instead use the visitor/guest permits for a cost of \$5 per day.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that the City Council waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2139 amending Chapter 14.36 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding detached trailer parking, and introduce Ordinance No. 2140 adding Chapter 14.46 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding oversized vehicle parking.

If the proposed ordinances are approved, the Police Department will continue to work with City Attorney's Office, Community Development Department, Public Works Department, and the Finance Department to implement the oversized vehicle parking program.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Detached Trailer Parking Ordinance (No. 2139, M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.36)
- B. Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance (No. 2140, M.B.M.C. Chapter 14.46)
- C. Summary of Local Oversized Vehicle Parking Restrictions
- D. Public Correspondence and E-mails
- E. Sample "No Parking" Signs from Other Cities
- F. City Council Staff Report dated March 2, 2010
- G. City Council Staff Minutes dated March 2, 2010
- H. PPIC Staff Reports (without attachments) and Minutes dated April 22, 2010, July 22, 2010, and August 26, 2010

ORDINANCE NO. 2139

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 14.36.180 TO CHAPTER 14.36 OF TITLE 14 OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING PARKING OF DETACHED TRAILERS

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Manhattan Beach City Council hereby finds as follows:

- a. Detached trailers and other non-motorized vehicles can, when parked on residential streets, create a safety hazard by reducing visibility;
- b. Detached trailers are not motorized and can not be readily moved to provide emergency access on a public street if needed in the event of an emergency;
- c. It is therefore necessary and in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Manhattan Beach to amend the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to prohibit parking of detached trailers.

SECTION 2. A new Section 14.36.180 is hereby added to Chapter 14.36 of Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code is hereby added to Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to read as follows:

"14.36.180 Parking of non-motorized vehicles prohibited on City streets

No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any non-motorized vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer, shall park such vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer upon any street, alley, public way or public place, unless such vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer is attached to a motor vehicle capable of providing the motive power for moving the vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer upon the highway, street, alley, public right of way or public place at all such times it is so parked.

This subsection shall not prohibit the parking of a trailer or semi-trailer in the process of being loaded or unloaded, nor of a vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer which is disabled in such a manner and to such an extent that it requires some vehicle or facility other than its normal means of motivation; provided, however, such vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer so disabled may remain so parked while unattached to the motor vehicle described in this subsection only for the time necessary for the vehicle or facility to be provided for its removal, and in no event longer than eight (8) hours.

Any person who violates any provision in this Article is guilty of an infraction and will be subject to citation, towing, or both."

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this ordinance, and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This notice shall be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and operation thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance; shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted;

and shall within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof cause the same to be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City and a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated within the City of Manhattan Beach hereby designated for that purpose.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2011.

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:

Mayor, City of Manhattan Beach, California

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By 

City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 2140

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 14.46 REGARDING PARKING OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES AND TRAILERS

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Manhattan Beach City Council hereby finds as follows:

- a. Oversized vehicles such as recreational vehicles and large trucks can, when parked on residential streets, create a safety hazard by reducing visibility;
- b. Oversized vehicles also present a significant burden on limited parking availability on residential streets since a single vehicle uses more than a standard passenger vehicle parking space;
- c. it is therefore necessary and in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Manhattan Beach to amend the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to adopt restrictions on parking oversized vehicles and trailers.

SECTION 2. A new Chapter 14.46 is hereby added to Title 14 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code regarding prohibition of parking of oversized vehicles to read as follows:

"Chapter 14.46 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Trailers Prohibited on City Streets.

14.46.010 Definitions.

'Oversized Vehicle' shall mean any vehicle, as defined by Section 670 of the California Vehicle Code, or combination of vehicles, which exceeds twenty-two feet in length or seven feet in width or eight feet in height, exclusive of projecting lights or devices allowed by Section 35109 or 35110 of the California Vehicle Code.

'Trailer' shall mean a trailer, semi trailer, camp trailer (including tent trailers), unmounted camper, or trailer coach, as defined in Sections 242, 243, 550, 630, 635, and 636 of the California Vehicle Code, or fifth-wheel travel trailer, as defined in Section 324 of the Vehicle Code, regardless of trailer length.

14.46.020 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Trailers.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter;

- A. No person shall park or leave standing any Oversized Vehicle upon any public street or highway in the City.
- B. No person shall park or leave standing any Trailer, regardless of length or width, upon any public street or highway in the City.

14.46.030 Exceptions.

The prohibitions contained in Chapter 14.46 shall not apply to any of the following:

- A. Oversized Vehicles or Trailers for which an Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit has been issued for a resident or guest of a resident, in accordance with Section 14.46.050; and Section 14.36.180 (Detached Trailer Parking);

- B. Oversized Vehicles or Trailers parked or left standing as a result of a mechanical breakdown so as to allow the performance of emergency repairs on the vehicle for a period not to exceed eight hours;
- C. Commercial vehicles making pickups or delivery of goods, wares or merchandise, or while providing services to a residence, including, but not limited to yard maintenance, pool care and maintenance, repair and construction services;
- D. Tow trucks and similar vehicles that are in the course of providing services;
- E. Public or utility vehicles and trailers that are in the course of providing services, pursuant to Section 14.08.080 (Exemption of Certain Vehicles);
- F. Any public emergency vehicle.

14.46.040 Registration of Oversized Vehicles or Trailers.

- A. Each person registering an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer with the City must file with the City a completed application containing the following:
 - 1. The name, address, and phone number of the registered owner of Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;
 - 2. The name, address, and phone number of the applicant for the permit;
 - 3. Proof of Manhattan Beach residency;
 - a. Acceptable proof of residency must be current and must include the following: California Driver's License or California Identification Card and one of the following: Property Tax Bill or Public Utility Bill. Telephone bills are not acceptable;
 - 4. The valid registration from the California Department of Motor Vehicles for the Oversized Vehicle or Trailer that shows the Oversized Vehicle or Trailer is currently registered in the City of Manhattan Beach;
 - 5. The license number, make, and model of designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;
 - 6. Additional information the Police Department may require;
 - 7. The applicant must sign the application under penalty of perjury.
- B. The City will issue Oversized Vehicle Registration Stickers for applications that meet the requirements listed above. The Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Stickers must be displayed in the front-most window on the street side of the vehicle so it is clearly visible from the street, which is usually the left side.
- C. Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Stickers will be issued upon payment of a fee that will be set by Resolution of the City Council; registration is valid for one year.

14.46.050 Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits – Issuance of Permits.

- A. This subsection shall apply to Oversized Vehicles and Trailers that are registered with the City of Manhattan Beach. The Police Chief or designee is authorized to issue Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits, pursuant to the following:
 - 1. Daily Parking Permits issued and approved by the Police Department shall include the registration number and license plate number of the designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer, and the date for which it is valid.
 - 2. An Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed 24 hours. An Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit will be valid from 11:00 a.m. one day until 10:59 a.m. the next day. Upon expiration of the permit, the applicant may apply for and be granted additional Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits if the applicant still qualifies under the conditions set forth in this

Chapter. No more than 2 consecutive Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits shall be issued during any 72 hour period. In no event shall any person, residence, and/or designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer be issued more than 72 Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits in any calendar year.

3. Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permits will be issued upon payment of a fee set by Resolution of the City Council.

4. The Police Chief or designee is authorized to set up an Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit call-in phone number or internet processing system.

B. This subsection shall apply to Oversized Vehicles and Trailers that are not registered with the City (Visitor Permits). The Police Chief or designee is authorized to issue Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permits, pursuant to the following:

1. Each resident desiring an Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permit (Visitor Permit) shall file with the Manhattan Beach Police Department a completed City application form containing the following:

a. The name, address, and phone number of the Manhattan Beach residence that is being visited;

b. Proof of Manhattan Beach residency; acceptable proof of residency must be current and must include the following: California Driver's License or California Identification Card and one of the following: Property Tax Bill or Public Utility Bill. Telephone bills are not acceptable;

c. The name, address, and phone number of the registered owner or renter of designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;

d. The registration from the California Department of Motor Vehicles, or equivalent agency in another state, for the Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;

e. The license number, make, and model of designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;

f. The dates for which the permit is requested;

g. Additional information the Police Department may require;

h. The resident must sign the application under penalty of perjury.

2. An Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed 24 hours. An Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permit will be valid from 11:00 a.m. one day until 10:59 a.m. the next day. Upon expiration of the permit, the applicant may apply for and be granted additional Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permits if the applicant still qualifies under the conditions set forth in this Chapter. The Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permit will be tied to the residence being visited. No more than 2 consecutive Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permits shall be issued during any 72 hour period. In no event shall any residence be issued more than 30 Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permits for visitors in any calendar year.

3. Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permits will be issued upon payment of a fee that will be set by Resolution of the City Council.

4. Visitor Permit must be displayed in the front-most side window on the street side of the oversized vehicle or trailer so it is clearly visible from the street, which is usually the left side.

5. The Police Chief or designee is authorized to set up an Oversized Vehicle Daily Visitor Parking Permit call-in phone number or internet processing system.

14.46.060 Oversized Vehicle Hook-Ups.

No person shall run electrical cords, extension cords, hoses, cables, or other items across, above or on the parkway or sidewalk from a residential or commercial property to an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer parked on a public street.

14.46.070 Restricted Oversized Vehicle Parking Areas.

Regardless of whether the oversized vehicle has a daily oversized vehicle parking permit, the Police Chief may designate areas indicating no oversized vehicle parking upon that side of the street adjacent to any school property or City-owned park or community center, or anywhere oversized vehicle parking would, in his or her opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation. Information about restricted oversized vehicle parking areas will be available on the City website and will be provided to the oversized vehicle owner at the time of registration.

14.46.080 Permit Denial and Revocation.

A permit shall be denied or revoked for any of the following reasons:

- A. The applicant or the person the applicant is visiting is not a bona fide city resident;
- B. The out-of-town visitor is not a guest of the resident; or
- C. Information submitted by the applicant is materially false.

14.46.090 Violation of Chapter.

- A. Any person or vehicle in violation of any provision in this Chapter is guilty of an infraction and the vehicle in violation will be subject to citation, towing, or both.
- B. Any person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- C. Any person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit or Permit number is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- D. Any person who forges, alters, or counterfeits an Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit or an Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- E. Any person who parks or leaves standing an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer on a public street or highway without a valid Oversized Vehicle or Trailer Daily Parking Permit will be subject to citation, towing, or both.
- F. Any person who parks or leaves standing an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer on a portion of public street where signs are erected that prohibits oversized vehicle parking will be subject to citation, towing, or both.

14.46.100 Application of Regulations.

The prohibitions in this Chapter will apply at all times, or at those times specified, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or to comply with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

The time limitations on standing or parking in this Chapter will not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the California Vehicle Code or the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

Nothing in this Chapter will be construed to permit vehicle habitation on a public street as prohibited by Section 14.36.160 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code.

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this ordinance, and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This notice shall be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and operation thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance; shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted; and shall within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof cause the same to be published by one insertion in *The Beach Reporter*, the official newspaper of the City and a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated within the City of Manhattan Beach hereby designated for that purpose.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2011.

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:

Mayor, City of Manhattan Beach, California

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By 

City Attorney

	Permit Program Summary	Max consecutive days of OV parking allowed	Registration Fee	Permit Fee/Day	OV Violation Citation Price	Max Days to Park an OV on City Streets Per Year	Definition of OV	Proximity to One's Residence Required
Manhattan Beach (PROPOSED)	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	2 days	\$35 First Year \$15 Renewal	\$1.00	\$45	72 days	> 22' L x 8' H x 7' W	No
Torrance	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	3 days	\$25, One time	≈ \$0.85 Visitor: \$15	\$133	96 days	> 20' L x 8' H x 7' W	Yes, adjacent to the property
Rancho Palos Verdes	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	3 days	\$50 First Year \$30 Renewal	\$0	\$50	72 days	> 22' L x 8' H x 7' W	Yes, adjacent to the property (or other location w/ permission of neighbor)
Lakewood	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	3 days	\$0	\$0	\$48	52 days	Uses California Vehicle Code definition of "recreational vehicle"	Yes, adjacent to the property
Temple City	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	2 days	\$0	\$2.00	\$75	48 days	> 20' L x 78" H x 80"W	No
Signal Hill	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	3 days	\$0	\$20 for up to 3 days	\$65	36 days	> 20' L x 8' H x 7' W	No
South Pasadena	No RV Parking Allowed in the City without a Permit	1 day	\$0	\$0	\$48	n/a	> 25' L x 8' H x 8' W	No
Redondo Beach (Approved by FBCC, likely to be enforced beginning Spring 2011)	No RV Parking 2:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.; Permit required for overnight parking	3 weekdays (weekends not enforced)	\$0	\$0	n/a	60 permit days + 150 non-enforcement days (Sat, Sun, Mon + holidays)	> 22' L x 8' H x 7' W	Yes, within 400 feet
Santa Monica	No RV Parking 2:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.; Permit required for overnight parking	2 days	\$0	\$0	\$53	36 days	> 20' L x 8' H x 8' W	No
Los Angeles	No RV Parking 2:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.; Permit required for overnight parking	3 days	\$0	\$10.00	\$65 1st offense, \$90 2nd offense, \$120 3rd offense	n/a	> 22' L x 7' H	Yes, adjacent or within "reasonable proximity"
Bellflower	No RV Parking 12:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.; Permit required for overnight parking	3 days	\$0	\$5.00	\$70	50 days	> 19' L x 7' H x 7' W	Yes, within 300 feet
Hawthorne	RV Loading/Unloading for up to 48 hours; permit required for longer period of time	3 days	\$0	\$0	\$48	n/a	> 22' L x 7' H x 7' W	No

Julie Dahlgren

From: Julie Dahlgren
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 6:25 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren

From: Joana Gallo Marsteller [mailto:jcgallo.marsteller1@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2010 4:42 PM
To: Nhung Madrid
Subject: Oversized Vehicle & RV Ordinance

Dear Ms. Madrid,

Thank you so very much for all your efforts to respond to my inquiries regarding the oversized vehicle (OV)/RV that is being parked in front of my home, which is at 758- 26th Street.

I plan to attend the meeting on 4/22/10, regarding the drafting of an ordinance addressing the parking of OVs and RVs in Manhattan Beach. We hope that you will share our situation and concerns with the Parking and Public Improvements Commission, which will be making their recommendation to the City Council.

We moved to our property in June of 1980 and have occasionally experienced problems with boats and OVs being parked on our block, but these were short-termed and the vehicles were eventually moved by the owners. However, since Fall 2009, we have had difficulty with an OV/RV being parked in front of our home, on the west side of our property. The owner of the OV/RV, intends to keep this vehicle parked there as long as he owns it, even though it creates a safety hazard by blocking both our vision and the vision of oncoming, east-bound traffic, when we are exiting our driveway. For example, between 1/1/10 and 2/15/10 we were involved in 5 separate incidents of near-miss auto accidents as we attempted to exit our driveway. The current lack of an ordinance dealing with the parking of OVs and RVs on our city's streets leave us without recourse to address this dangerous situation.

Our street does not have curbs, sidewalks nor consistent setbacks from the street. Therefore, we are at the mercy of OV and RV owners to be considerate of their neighbors and conscientious about the visibility and safety issues that their vehicles create. But again, those of us who suffer from the choices of the OV/RV owners' decisions about where to park, are left with no recourse to address the safety issues that are created.

We are also experiencing another offshoot of the OV/RV owner's decision to park in front of our property. Our arborist advised us that the lack of sunlight and free flow of breeze, is damaging and may lead to the death of one of our 20 year old acacia trees. We finally have a tree replacement ordinance, which we strongly support, in the 'Tree Section', and again, without an ordinance prohibiting the

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parking of OV's and RV's on the streets of Manhattan Beach, we are without recourse to alleviating this situation and may have to replace a gorgeous planting, at significant personal expense.

We understand that numerous cities throughout southern California have ordinances that prohibit the parking of OV's and RV's on city streets and require that such vehicles be **PARKED ON THE PROPERTY OF THE OWNER**, and kept covered. I hope that the Parking and Public Improvements Commission will prohibit the parking of OV's and RV's on our city's streets. If however, the PPIC chooses to recommend that street parking be continued then I respectfully request that the ordinance state that the: **OV/RV MUST BE PARKED WITHIN THE EXTENDED PROPERTY LINES OF THE OV/RV OWNER'S PROPERTY ONLY, AND MUST NOT EXTEND INTO THE AREA WITHIN THE EXTENDED PROPERTY LINES OF NEIGHBORS.** Only then will issues of inconvenience to neighbors and traffic safety be addressed.

Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,
Joana Gallo Marsteller
John E. Marsteller

Julie Dahlgren
Police Management Analyst
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Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Mike Griffith [mailto:gmichaelgriffith@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2010 5:38 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren; Andrew Harrod
Subject: Opposition to Consideration of MB City Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance

Dear Ms. Julie Dahlgren, Mr. Andy Harrod, and PPIC,

We currently own a Recreation Vehicle and comply with current Manhattan Beach Parking Ordinances. Fortunately, we live on a corner so we have plenty of adjacent parking area and we do not park in front of neighbors. We are lifelong residents of the South Bay and 10 year homeowners in MB. We have owned our RV for 5 years.

We are thankful that current MB Parking Ordinances have accommodated our RV. We appreciate the convenience of having it adjacent our property. This convenience has enhanced the quality of life for us in MB. We have made many valuable childhood memories for our 3 boys in our RV.

We are concerned in MB, with 30,000 plus residents, this issue of 30 parked RV's is being taken out of proportion and our limited taxpayer resources could be better served on issues that are more important.

We understand from Ms. Dahlgren there have been about 2 documented complaints from years past regarding RV's, and some other undocumented verbal complaints that are not of public record. The 4/22/10 staff report states concerns that RV's may present. What documentation is available of actual accidents caused by a parked RV in Manhattan Beach? Are there any factual cases to support this?

Currently I am unemployed and it would not make financial sense for us to pay for RV storage. At my prior employer, I was able to store our RV free and did not park our RV adjacent our home.

This considered new MB Parking Ordinance would negatively impact our family. We would likely be forced to sell our RV, verses pay storage fees, and we would have to tell our family "no more RV camping trips and outings".

We are not available to attend the 4/22/10 public hearing due to volunteering at MB Little League snack stand duty in support of our 3 boys.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,
Mike and Lynn Griffith
1408 Harkness Street

April 24, 2010

Parking and Public Improvement Commission
1400 Highland Ave.
Manhattan Beach, CA. 90266

Commissioners;

Thank you for the opportunity to speak at the April 22, 2010 PPIC meeting with regard to RV parking. I mentioned my wife and I own a RV that we travel in once or twice a month. The RV is not parked on the street when not in use. When we do park on city streets we park at the side of our house for the purpose of preparation, loading or unloading and the RV is across our driveway and does not take additional parking spaces or impose on other property.

If I could, I would like to restate my position and make 3 points I had to make the night of the meeting:

1. Why I believe a registration type of permit program is unfair, onerous and unworkable
2. Suggest a 3 Tier "No Street Storage Program"
3. Suggest a permit program for short use of RVs for visiting Family or Friends

1, I am against any permit program registering and restricting RV's in Manhattan Beach. I believe the current municipal code or the '72 hour rule' is an appropriate time restriction for all types of vehicles including RVs. I am against any blanket permit program for RVs.

Based on the Police report there are 166 registered RV owners in Manhattan Beach and 30 RV type vehicles were found on the streets of Manhattan Beach on the day Lt Harrod did a drive/fly around. *It was not stated if all 30 vehicles on Manhattan Beach streets were in violation of the '72 hour rule'*. Based on these numbers 80% of RV owners are abiding by the current law and not generating complaints from residents.

Any new law or regulation should address a specific problem with a specific solution. Creating new laws, regulations and a permit programs directed toward law abiding residents does not effectively address the specific problem.

A permit program directed at all RVs is not fair. It is inconvenient. People whether RV owner or not travel at the last minute. We quite often will read about or see on TV a story about a fair or event that sounds interesting and we'll say 'lets go'. We'll bring our RV out of storage and leave either that night or the next morning. Our freedom to travel would be stifled if we were required to get a permit from the city each time we wanted to travel. The unnecessary additional cost to the RV owner who is using some form of legal off street parking does not specifically address the problem it only adds additional cost to the law abiding RV owner. Issuing 166 RV permits each time a RV wants to travel would be a huge burden on city staff. I would suggest that most RV owners travel with their family between June and August. Most people leave for vacation on Friday or Saturday. So in practice there is the potential of 166 RV owners coming to City Hall for permits Monday-Thursday during a 12 week period. That's 3.5 people per day taking city staff

time for an unnecessary permit. Enforcement of a permit program on 166 RVs would be very time consuming for the Police Department. In the letter from the Police Department to the PPIC dated April 22, 2010 on page 2 in part it states 'The municipal codes are difficult to enforce and require constant monitoring by Police staff to ensure that the vehicles are not exceeding the designated time limits'. It would seem to me that it would be much easier to enforce existing municipal codes on 30 vehicles rather the adding a permit program that would require constant monitoring of 166 vehicles.

The safety issue is not an effective argument. The Police dept has no reports of unlawful activities of any kind related to RVs and no personal or property damage, other than a bent parking sign, was reported by the Police dept.

The City has always welcomed input from citizens when new laws, programs or changes are suggested. In future postings in the Beach Reporter I would suggest that the heading should read, PROPOSED RV PARKING ORDINANCE AND POSSIBLE RV PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM. The use of the word OVERSIZE indicates large delivery trucks and tractor trailers.

I have a few suggestions that may advance the conversation forward. As with all laws there is *selective enforcement*. In the case of the '72 hour rule' the city doesn't mark every car in the city each day to see if the vehicle is following the law. That would be impossible and unreasonable. The rule is enforced when there is a complaint from a resident.

Lt. Harrod indicated that the Police dept was looking for 'tools' to use to enforce the '72 hour rule' and eliminate complaints from citizens. The current code reads, MBMC 14.36.060 prohibits the use of streets for storage of vehicles; no vehicle shall be parked on any street or alley for more than 72 hours.

2. To deal with the problem of on street storage, may I suggest that the following be added to the code: Any vehicle with more than thirty (30) 72 hour warnings in a 6 month period will be automatically enrolled in the NO STREET STORAGE program. Vehicles can only be placed on the NO STREET STORAGE program based on residents complaints who reside within 100 feet of the subject vehicle or if deemed a serious safety issue by the Police dept.

NO STREET STORAGE PROGRAM

Tier 1. Any Tier 1 vehicle with more than five (5) 72 hour warnings on any street in Manhattan Beach in a 30 day period will be issued a \$ ticket and may be subject to towing. Automatic enrollment in Tier 2.

Tier 2. Any Tier 2 vehicle with more than two (2) 72 hour warnings on any street in Manhattan Beach in a 30 day period will be issued a \$ ticket and may be subject to towing. Automatic enrollment in Tier 3.

Tier 3. Any Tier 3 vehicle parked more than 4 hours on any street in Manhattan Beach will be issued a \$ ticket and will be subject to towing.

Each tier restriction would remain in force for 60 days. Thus, passage of 60 days would remove a tier.

This program would rather quickly eliminate resident complaints and remove vehicles using city streets for storage without imposing additional cost on law abiding residents or on residents who park responsibly in front of their own home without complaints from neighbors. The initial time needed to enforce these codes would be far shorter than enforcing an on going RV permit program on 166 RVs. This change would also eliminate complaints from residents and allow our Police to perform more important duties. The numbers used in this option can be adjusted based on resident, PPIC, Police, staff or City Council input.

3. Suggestion for visiting family or friends: The permit program I would support would be for limited long use issues like family or friends visiting from out of the area and wishing to stay in an RV at the permit holders residence for a short period of time. The permit would allow for up to 30 day stay within the extended property lines of the resident or with written approval from neighbors to extend beyond the property lines. The permit would show graphically and verbally where the RV would be parked and would allow for input from neighbors or city staff with regard to safety or access issues. The details could be worked out on an individual basis. I don't see this being an on going issue of more than one maybe two requests per year and in most cases could be handled within City Hall in a few minutes. Residents could be limited to the number of permits allowed per year. There are other considerations that would need to be fine tuned but again this doesn't put further restrictions on law abiding residents. There is the possibility that the RV permit could be incorporated into or modeled after the existing code as it relates to moving/storage PODS or construction containers placed on city streets.

I believe the goal is to resolve current and future legitimate resident complaints about street storage of vehicles. The above suggestions would be a reasonable starting point which is fair to all residents.

I look forward to any comments from the Commission and would be willing to help write a reasonable ordinance that does not impose additional restrictions or fees on RV owners.

Respectfully;

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Freda and Lamar Baker

From: "Freda and Lamar Baker" <lamarfreda@roadrunner.com>
To: <aharrod@cityb.info>
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 5:17 PM
Subject: Street parking & oversized vehicles

Dear Lt. Harrod,

I think street parking, in general, is a problem. My family moved to Manhattan Beach in late 1973, and since then the number of vehicles of all types parked in the street has become not only a problem but a downright nuisance. Two cars cannot even pass on many of our residential streets because of vehicles parked on either side. It always reminds me of driving on the one-lane roads in Scotland; one car has to pull off the road to allow the other to pass.

Not long after moving here, The Beach Reporter ran an article stating that residents were to park their car in the garage, use their driveway for company, and leave the street for overflow parking, such as games, school meetings, etc. Boy, have things changed since those days! In my daughter's Florida neighborhood, people are not even allowed to *leave* a car on the street past a certain hour of the night.

I am sympathetic to people who own motor homes, boats, etc., who would have to pay a rental fee to park their equipment if they couldn't park them in front of their home. So I am not voting on that issue one way or the other; I merely want to bring the general parking problem to the forefront. I think that if the city urged it's residents to clear the junk out their garages, and use them for at least two of their vehicles, it would help make our streets more passable, more pleasant, and safer.

Freda Baker
Manhattan Beach

P.S. I got your email down wrong and did not want to rewrite this, so I decided to mail it.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Michael Friedlander [jmfriedlander5@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 5:12 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle/RV Parking Situation
Attachments: Harkness RV.jpg; Harkness RV2.jpg; Faymont RV.jpg
To Lt. Andy Harrod

I am writing in regards to the current RV parking situation in Manhattan Beach. I recieved a notice in my water bill this month about the concern in the community about RVs parking long-term, blocking the sight of drivers and pedestrians, and the fact that many of them are eyesores.

I wanted to add my voice to this discussion. I live in the Liberty Village area on Faymont Ave. Sunday I took a walk around one city block, from Faymont to 15th, north on Harkness and then turning on 19th back to my street. In this short stroll, I observed 3 RVs that are CONTINUOUSLY in those locations. It has been this way since I moved here in May 2008. One RV that is usually on 19th tends to move back and forth to bypass the 72-hour rule. The other RV is always there.

The Airstream that is pictured is on my street moves only when parking enforcement comes by or they take it on a short trip. Then it comes back and blocks our street. The other day, my five year-old daughter had to cross our street to get to a friend's house. She and I had to stand in the MIDDLE of the street in order to view any oncoming traffic. At that point, we were in danger. Our neighborhood streets are NOT parking lots for giant RVs.

My suggestion is that permits be issued for a 2-day maximum before a trip so that RV owners can take one day to pick up their RV and the other day to prep and clean. On the return, the owner can get a permit for another 2 days for the same purpose. The maximum number of permits would be 4 per month. Another suggestion is having one 6-day pass per month, with the owner specifically stating which days they would need to park on the street. A \$500 fine for any violation.

Thank you for caring enough to regulate this problem in our community.

Sincerely,

Michael Friedlander and Family

Julie Dahlgren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, June 09, 2010 10:10 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Parking on City Streets

Lt. Andy Harrod

I live on [REDACTED] and I get to look at an old motorhome that has not been driven for several years and is parked on my street. Once in a while it is moved for street sweeping. Down the street is a 5th wheeler that almost blocks our narrow street. I certainly hope that something is done so the people in this tract can enjoy this beautiful area without all of the eye-sores we now have to tolerate.

A concerned resident

Julie Dahlgren

From: Phillip Skornia [osensei1@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, June 12, 2010 1:05 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: oversize vehicle parking

Dear Lt. Andy Harrod,

I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for 40 years. I own a 32-foot HitchHiker 5th wheel trailer. I store it out of South Bay, but I need to park it in front of my house for a few days before a trip for cleaning and restocking. I also charge the batteries at that time. My trailer fits perfectly along the curb in front of my home, blocking no one.

A 3-day parking limit seems reasonable. I cannot do what I need to do while it is in storage. And, I have to store it 80 miles away because of storage costs. Common sense should prevail for residents who own RVs. There is no mess involved when cleaning because I have my regular trash cans. I also prefer to put my own home water in the tanks.

I will be unavailable on July 22, 2010, when you have the meeting. Please consider my input when considering this new ordinance.

Thank you,
Dr. Phillip M. Skornia
1 (310) 379-3136

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Julie Dahlgren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, June 13, 2010 11:43 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Motorhome parking

Dear Lt Harrod,
regarding the upcoming hearing July 22nd on oversized vehicle and trailer parking, I don't know what the current time limits are (if any), but we do have a large motorhome parked on our street for 4 or 5 days at a time several times a year. One day is reasonable for packing up, but beyond that it becomes an eyesore. That's my opinion on the matter...
Confidentially,
a neighbor of a motorhome owner.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Robert Shafton [rshafton@earthlink.net]
Sent: Sunday, June 20, 2010 9:42 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: city parking

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Dear Lt. Harrod,

We have no problem with oversized parking on the city streets, but we do have a major problem with the perpendicular parking, particularly on Manhattan Ave. north of Marine, and on Marine, so of Highland right off of Ocean. These folks, in their need to leave the sidewalks clear are parking out much too far for safety into the middle of the narrow streets. Particularly on Manhattan Ave. there are many times that I am forced to go over the middle line onto oncoming traffic, in order to avoid hitting those cars parked perpendicular to the curb. How that kind of parking in this area was justified by the city is beyond me and opens up many safety problems. Would appreciate hearing from you on this matter. Thanks so much for all you do for this great little city.

Sincerely, Sally Shafton

Julie Dahlgren

From: John Randolph [johnrando@verizon.net]

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2010 8:03 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Oversize Vehicle Comment

I am concerned with oversized vehicles, which tend to be eyesores. My issue is that in order to avoid complaints from their own neighbors, I've seen oversized vehicle owners park on a different block or street every few days, which makes a problem for a few owners a whole neighborhood's issue. Please have your potential legislation address that. My preference would be a ban if you can't park it in your own driveway. Costs come with owning that type of vehicle and one is parking/storage. Thanks. John

johnrando@verizon.net

Liberty Village

6-21-1

Hi Lt. Friday -

Enclosed is a letter that we sent two years ago and you were kind enough to follow up on the issue.

This week we received an advisory regarding oversized vehicle parking on our streets. Yes! There should be an ordinance. We hope it passes along with no vehicles on sidewalk as on both sides of Manhattan from 1st to 8-9th streets. Look at 201 for example. What an eyesore in this great city. Everyone likes to make their own sales. You have our input. Thank you for your time to listen, once again.

Sincerely,
Virginia A. DeLoach
125 Bird St.
Tel. 310-3748620

St. Mary Harbor. June 22-10
I am a resident of
Manhattan Beach since
1955 My husband & I
had Ooka Jewellers in
downtown Manhattan
Beach for 39 years. We
opened in 1952 and sold
in 1990.

I am a property owner
of my home and a
commercial building.
We always felt that
boats and R.V.'s made
a neighborhood look
really "tacky" when left
on the street. I used to
resent seeing mobile homes
parked across from the
Ooka Park for months
at a time.

I feel if you can
afford these items the

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You can pay for rental
storage space for them.
Don't yards ask to
small to accommodate
them.

I feel we need an
advance to prohibit
them from streets, not
only for the looks but
for safety and cleanli-
ness of the area.

I hope the Committee
can accomplish ~~an~~ an
advance to prohibit
in all areas of
Manhattan Beach.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Ron Symmes [ronsymmes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 9:59 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: Francesca Symmes
Subject: Manhattan Beach RV/oversized vehicles
Attachments: Letter to MB regarding RVs.docx
June 22, 2010

Andy,

Below and attached is a letter from me regarding the RV and oversized vehicle discussion going on in Manhattan Beach. I hope you find it to be constructive. Please let me know if you got this and if I can help in any way. Thanks!

Ron Symmes

Lt. Andy Harrod
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Dear Sir,

I had a very good telephone call with you in May regarding RV/oversized vehicle (RVs, boats, trailers, large trucks, etc.) parking and you asked me to write a letter to you with my ideas after I got back from my recent RV trip. I am a long term resident of Manhattan Beach since 1980 and a responsible RV owner. There are many RV owners in Manhattan Beach, most of them very responsible and respectful of other Manhattan Beach residents. I am writing this letter on behalf of responsible RV owners who are very concerned that RV parking may be banned or severely restricted because of a very few badly behaved RV and oversized vehicle owners. I understand the problems resulting from this bad behavior, and that the issue needs to be addressed and regulations be put in place to change behavior. RV owners who park in front of other's homes, block driveways, park next to school

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yards, or use the streets as cheap storage for "eye-sore vehicles" are a real and valid concern. My concern is that these new regulations will punish those who are responsible RV owners because of a few irresponsible residents, assuming they are all residents.

There are many Manhattan Beach residents that belong to RV "clubs", who are retired and/or on fixed incomes, who are RV responsible owners, and who use their RVs for vacations, recreation, and plain old family fun. These owners may have the ability to park their RV on their property but most either park on the street in front of their house or store their RV at considerable expense in a commercial storage site. Many cannot afford to pay \$150 to \$250 a month for storage and local storage is almost impossible to find.

I consider myself to be a very responsible long term RV owner. I have parked on the street in front of my house or have received permission from my neighbors to park on the side street next to their house. In fact, my neighbor watches over my RV at times, and we each watch over one another's house during vacations. I have talked to most all of my neighbors about what they prefer, that I park my RV in front of my house or on a side street. They are all happy that I asked and generally say that they have no preference. My point - I worked with my neighbors to have an acceptable solution. I live in a great neighborhood with wonderful neighbors.

That's enough of the background material. I would like to suggest a few possible solutions to the problem other than banning RVs and penalizing the responsible RV owners. Here are a few ideas for your consideration:

- 1) Require Manhattan Beach resident RV owners to register with the city, providing their name, address, vehicle plate number, contact information, and any other information the police department may want to contact the owner. Do not allow non-residents to park in Manhattan Beach without pre-requested permission from a resident, for example when guest RV owners come into town for a few days. Require a Manhattan Beach RV registration sticker with registration number be placed in the front or street side window of the vehicle. This would allow police and residents to identify the vehicle for appropriate action.
- 2) Ban RVs from parking next to school properties. Post signs on the perimeter of all school properties prohibiting RV oversized vehicle parking, and identify that fines/tickets will be imposed. This would address any perceived child safety issues associated with RVs parked near or next to schools.
- 3) In addition to items 1) and 2), impose an escalating parking ticket fine that increases significantly for each ticket within a twelve (12) month period. This would allow parking for responsible owners and at the same time discourage non-residents and habitual parking violators from parking on Manhattan Beach streets while not penalizing responsible RV owners.
- 4) In addition to items 1), 2) and 3), require RV owners to post a bond to insure all tickets and fines are paid. This would discourage repeat offenders and "eye-sore vehicles" from abusing the system.

It is my hope that only items 1) and 2) would be needed. Implementation of items 1), 2) and 3) would make reasonable sense. I would hope that item 4) would not be needed.

Please consider the above as constructive input. My goal is to participate in developing a solution to the problem that does not penalize all RV owners and yet resolves the problem in a pragmatic and easily implemented way.

Please contact me anytime at the phone or email address below. I would like to actively participate in any teams or commissions (PPIC, etc.) that are working on this issue. Thanks for your support!

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Mark Tucker [progdawg@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 2:23 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: progdawg@hotmail.com
Subject: Streets / Parking

Lt. Harrod:

Having received the flier re: oversized vehicle parking in MB, I have a few thoughts:

* I'm not sure why it was ever allowed in the first place, as the narrow streets of the city argue the idea as being rather dotty. On my side of Sepulveda (east), especially the streets on the incline to the Sepulveda crest are a problem. With parking allowed on both sides of the already far too narrow pavement, I've encountered more than a few times when I could not get my tiny Pontiac Grand Am past behemoths parked opposite one another in those zones. I had to back up and take other streets.

* Even Hawthorne knows better than this and disallows both-sides residential street parking (or did when last I was there) on narrow streets (and always has; I was raised in Hawthorne).

* MB residents have a well-noted aversion to using their garages as garages, these usually serving as rumpus room, storage area, fitness training depot, etc. I've lived here 20 years and am always amused at the variety of non-garage innovations...with which, by the way, I have no real complaint: it's their property. People quite frequently do not use their driveways as well, preferring to park in the streets.

* I am for the expansion of rights as much as possible, and have many times so stated in local papers (as well as the L.A. Times, Orange County Register, etc.), but there's a fundamental problem here: the streets are paid for by all citizens of California and are thus open to them as their paid-for property, everywhere they go (except privately paid-for streets) in the state. This is just basic law (which I've studied). Whenever some start using streets as their storage area, this greatly infringes on the general rights, denying fair use to all others. It's bad enough when people expand their "right" by capturing street space as their personal property for the parking of cars just because they don't want to stain their spotless driveways or have converted their garages and rendered them thus useless for vehicles, but using the streets as storage space transgresses too far.

* Mostly, it should be noted, this practice is employed in order to avoid storage fees at storage yards...which, granted, are slowly disappearing.

* We have a situation on our street with a non-powered large "small home on wheels" (in the 50s and 60s, these were called 'Airstreams' or somesuch) that is parked in the street at least half the month every month, sometimes a good deal longer. No one complains, the street is very harmonious, but this is nonetheless, as far as I know, against regulations, and a blind eye is turned. Fine, as far as it goes, but this begins what is called 'a slippery slope', as I'm sure I don't have to tell you.

Thus, my sentiment is that this last practice should not be allowed at all in order to preserve the streets to their legal purpose: parking, not storing. The commencement point, in my mind, would address non-powered "vehicles" as fully illegal on the streets (what would next be allowed? Storage boxes and tents?) and then make strict size limits. How that would be done, I have no idea, but it seems to me that anything larger than a Hummer should be prohibited.

That would make certain problems for RV-using vacationers visiting friends, but there is

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always the main thoroughfares, which are large enough to accommodate such vehicles, troubling visitors with only a walk of a few blocks to see their friends. And if we then wish to say that such vehicles would be problematic on the main streets, and they may well be, then we surely cannot say that they would not be problematic on the much smaller residential streets. Hence, the argument is therein made that they should not park there.

An exemption, of course, would apply to vehicles needed for housing construction and renovation.

Well, those are my thoughts. My apologies for the prolixity, but responses were solicited, and I like to do my part when I can.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: dkelles@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 7:14 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: re: Oversize Vehicle Parking Issue

This is a very important issue especially for the future. Auto/vehicle parking congestion on the main roads, side streets and alleys is or has reached critical mass. The issues are:

1. No control or time limits on curb parking. Thus outside of community "storage" parking does occur.
2. Trailers, boats, oversized vehicles could benefit from a local temporary storage yard.
3. True oversize vehicles should be prohibited without City Hall Parking Permits.
4. Existing alley/street parking should be "strictly" enforced. Currently many violations require a call-in which puts "complaint" on the parking ticket and pits neighbor against neighbor.
5. Residential garages should be mandated to be used for vehicles, not storage and/or extra rooms.
6. Limit some of streets near beach, possibly back to green belt to Valley Drive as a 1 hour parking. Allow for residential parking permits similar to Hermosa Beach on Monterey Road.

Thanks for giving thought to the parking congestion issue.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Fred Stanger [fredlee@roadrunner.com]

Sent: Sunday, June 27, 2010 8:42 AM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Parking of Trailers, RVs, and Boats

The parking of Trailers, RVs, and Boats have increased 3 fold since I have moved to Manhattan Beach in 1993. I lived at 108 Morningside Dr and have had a trailer parked across the street for over one year. It only moves when they take it out to use. Also on 2nd street and Ingleside there is a boat parked right at the intersection, leaving no visibility when you cross 2nd street. I almost lost my dog last year when I was crossing that intersection. This boat has been there now for over 3 years.

I have called community services on numerous occasion but to no avail.

My daughter lives in Huntington Beach and if you drive around that city, you will see no trailers, RVs, or Boats parked there at night. They not only are unsightly, but dangerous since they impede visibility. Huntington Beach allows no overnight parking of Boats, Trailers or RVs and it is rigidly enforced, with heavy fines.

The streets here in Manhattan Beach are to narrow and as you know the width of these Boats, Trailers, and RVs are about 12 inches wider than normal automobiles.

This City is very much behind other cities in proper enforcement.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: DENNIS SCOVEL [dscovel@verizon.net]
Sent: Sunday, June 27, 2010 5:10 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parkiing on City Streets

I think that this topic applies to two types of oversized vehicles: (1) Humongous (Hummers and a few other brand/models) personal vehicles that the owner can't or won't park in their own garage or driveway; (2) Large commercial vehicles owned by an individual operating a business out of their residence (perhaps without a proper permit) or driven home to their residence as a matter of personal convenience. They improperly use the street for overnight parking without regard or consideration for anyone else or because they are unwilling to pay commercial vehicle parking lot fees. I am not referring to standard size vehicles, personal or commercial.

This problem is particularly egregious and dangerous for several blocks in all directions around Meadows Elementary School. In the morning when many parents are driving their children to school (and simultaneously talking on their cell phones) on often narrow streets, the parked oversized vehicles present safety problems because of their impairment of visibility to both drivers and pedestrians. Little elementary school children walking to school are not highly visible to begin with, and the parked oversized vehicles make the situation worse. Also, because of the excessive width of these oversize vehicles, cars going in opposite directions cannot physically pass each other when they otherwise would be able to do so.

The city should ban on-the-street parking of such oversized vehicles before we have avoidable accidents, injuries, or deaths. The fine for violation of such a ban should be sufficiently high to make a lasting impression on the violators.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: David Wehrly [dwehrly@wedgewood-inc.com]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 5:17 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: Lisa Wehrly
Subject: Oversized vehicles

Lt. Harrod, we live at 416 2nd street. There is an Airstream trailer, often hooked up to power from a local residence that sits between 1st and 2nd on Morningside. Another block away in the 500 block of 2nd street a guy parks his boat trailer and boat on a regular basis as did the guy who lived at about 360 2nd street. These types of uses take away parking for the residents, make driving a bit more challenging and do not look good. I am in favor of a reasonable restriction on these say a 48 hour limit within a 5 block radius of the initial tagging by parking control.

Thank you for your time.

David Wehrly



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Julie Dahlgren

From: The Racketts [rackett@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 3:42 AM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

It would be safer if oversized vehicles were regulated to park on the middle of the block but not at a corner. Large vehicles parked at the corner impede the visibility of a 4 way stop given our narrow streets and could cause an accident.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: BKCWALDRON@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 01, 2010 4:04 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking

Lt. Andy Harrod:

thank you for the notice about the community workshop on parking oversized vehicles on city streets. We will not be able to attend the meeting but would like to express our input about prohibiting oversized vehicles from parking on city streets. Many of the streets in Manhattan Beach are narrow which does not allow much room for parking normal size cars and driving. Parking RV's, boats, trailers & other oversized vehicles makes it even more difficult to drive and see. In addition, they block one's view when backing out of driveways and that creates extra danger and risk of accidents. Oversized vehicles should be stored off the street or in storage facilities.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we hope the outcome is the prohibition of oversized vehicle parking on city streets.

Bob & Kyra Waldron
2307 John St, MB

Julie Dahlgren

From: McPeak, Charles [Charles.McPeak@pepperdine.edu]

Sent: Saturday, July 03, 2010 1:45 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Greetings Lt. Harrod,

I support an ordinance to regulate the parking of oversized vehicles and trailers on City streets. These vehicles/trailers are an eyesore. In addition they take up scarce parking spaces.

Best regards,

Charles McPeak

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Manhattan Beach CA 90266

310-545-6921

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Frederick Krull [fjkrull@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 05, 2010 6:09 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: Krull Fred & Joan
Subject: Community WoOversized Vehicle

Dear Lt. Harrod -

Thank you for the opportunity to comment with respect to oversized vehicles on city streets. As a person who oftens walks and drives throughout the "Tree" section and a parent of Pacific School 4th graders, I have become increasingly concerned about these vehicles. I have observed the following situations where I have a concern: There seem to be several vehicles parked next to the Pacific School playground on John Street. While I do not walk or drive by on a daily basis, the vehicles are there on a consistent basis.

Sometimes there are these vehicles on 17th next to the school as well, however not as often as the John Street parking.

There is generally a large Winnabago parked on Bell next to the Laidlaw annex of Grandview School. I do observe this vehilce on a fairly regular basis.

At one point last summer there was a large Winnebago parked on Laurel next to American Martyrs parking lot. The vehicle, while parked in a legal spot, was parked such that if someone was driving south on Laurel they could not have seen the stop sign at 14th and the AM parking lot.

Not only are these vehicles an eyesore, but I often wonder about child predators hanging out in these vehicles especially around schools. In addition, you cannot see around these vehicles which creates issues as the kids going to and from school are not often paying attention regardless and the vehicles create additional sight line issues. We are fortunate that we do not have any vehicles that park on our street. If one were to show up I would not be pleased as the streets are too tight for such huge vehicles.

My suggestions would be as follows:

Ban the parking of any such vehicle from a reasonable proximity of any school.

Require a permit with a limit (such as 72 hours) on parking these vehicles in residential areas.

In general I would try to restrict the parking of these vehicles on private property in front of homes. I realize this may be a legal hurdle, but regardless of the eyesore, they often are parked such that they block the view of drivers.

My comments have been primarily directed at residential type vehicles and not related to boats or other trailers. While there are boats parked on the city streets (I often see a boat parked on 14th Street between Laurel and Pacific) they do not seem to have the same impact on sight lines and generally people cannot "hang out" on a boat without being observed by others.

Please call me at 310-795-8472 if you have any questions or would like to discuss further.

Fred Krull

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Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Oversized Vehicle Parking.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Pratt, William E [MSB-PVTC] [william.e.pratt@morganstanleysmithbarney.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 8:14 AM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking.

Lt. Harrod,

Please get these vehicles off of our streets. Our two lane residential streets have been turned into one lane streets because of these oversized vehicles and parked cars. Another item of concern to me are the cars that park facing the wrong direction. Is there anything that can be done about this? My son is learning to drive and he thinks it is ok to get lazy and park wherever.

Thank You

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From: Lopez, Richard J [richard.j.lopez2@boeing.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:23 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Community Workshop

Hello Lt. Harrod,

I will be out of town during the upcoming oversized vehicle parking meeting so I wanted to voice my view here now. I would like the city to regulate these vehicles on city streets as I believe it reduces the visual aesthetic and charm of our city. An example of this can be seen on 33rd Street at the corner of Crest and 33rd Street.

Thank you for addressing this and for all that you do for our city,
Rick Lopez

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 6:30 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: parking

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City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: Victoria Peters [mailto:petersvictoria55@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 5:52 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: List - City Council; Nhung Madrid
Subject: parking

Dear Lt. Harrod -

I definitely support a regulation on oversized vehicles but think we should discuss even more parking regulations.

Many people in MB use their garages for storage, an extra room or a ping pong table and instead keep their cars on the street, virtually eliminating street parking. If you have a service truck or want to host a book club, there is no place to park. Some people keep third cars for their children who are nowhere near driving age.

The people across from me built their house and have NEVER used their garage, parking their two cars, the nanny's car and their employees' cars on the street. One day they coned off a space for guests! Now they have an ugly moving pod in their front yard which has been there for two months while they remodel their garage as a playroom for their son. I called Code Enforcement and the residents were required to get a parking permit and move the pod by July 22.

My suggestion is that we have a two hour parking limit and people who use up street parking can buy permits, like in Hermosa Beach, except they should be expensive, at least \$500 per car annually. Maybe that would encourage people to park in their garages, and at least it would raise revenue. Many people I have talked to, obviously the people who do park in their garages, would like to see something done.

Grandview didn't have any street sweeping signs and it was lined with rusty cars and extra cars that never had to move. I got a petition signed by residents, signs were installed and the ugly cars have disappeared.

The city would also make more revenue if the illegally parked cars on Vista were cited.

- Victoria Peters
445 28th St.
545-8118 home
545-0303 cell

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 2:22 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized vehicles and trailers

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From: Geoffrey Hale [mailto:geoff_hale@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 5:36 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized vehicles and trailers

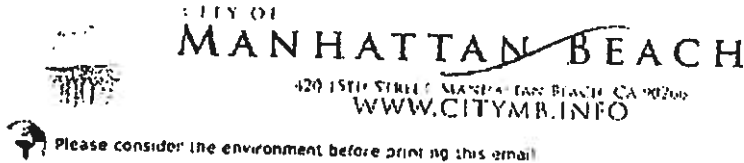
Dear Lt. Andy Harrod,
I've noticed R/Vs parked alongside the street bordering Pacific School on the east side near Manhattan Beach Blvd. It seems like the same vehicles are parked there year round, and they are moved only occasionally when their owners fire them up to keep the motor running or avoid street sweeping. They are pretty unsightly really. Not clear why those are allowed to be parked there indefinitely.

Geoffrey Hale
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Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
310-546-3096

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 8:32 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicles

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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From: Cindy Zielinski [mailto:cindy@cindyzielinski.com]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 6:26 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicles

My family has owned a home in the tree section for the past 3 years. Oversized vehicles have become more of a problem in the past year as people do not want to pay to store their vehicles and decide to park them on the street instead. On the street they become an eyesore and a safety hazard. There should be more restrictions since even Lawndale prohibits oversized vehicles from being parked on their city streets. We moved to Manhattan Beach from the Westside where there is a huge problem of people living in their campers on the streets. This is in a beach area with multi-million dollar homes. We do not want to have that problem in Manhattan Beach, but it could happen if the laws are not changed. Requiring oversized vehicles to move a foot or two a week is not enough and it is not even enforced here. It will not matter whether people are using the street for storage or as a place of residence – if you allow one you have to allow the other as long as they move their vehicles.

There are two specific issues that my family is concerned about:

- Our child attends Pacific Elementary where there are 3 large campers that use the street as a storage facility. I spoke to the principal's office since I was concerned that there were homeless people living in trailers parked right outside of an elementary school. I was told that the campers belong to neighbors who leave them there all year round. These campers take up several parking spaces right next to the school, plus are a safety hazard – with several campers parked on John and 14th st, this could possibly attract others who actually live in their trailers. The trailers are moved the required footage every week, but they should not be allowed to park right next to an elementary school just because they do not want to pay for a proper storage facility.
- We live on 27th st. near Poinsettia and Ardmore. About 4 months ago, someone with a construction business moved into 2616 N. Poinsettia and proceeded to use the street as their storage facility for their dilapidated construction pick-up truck and trailer. Both are filled with trash and look like abandoned vehicles. Besides being a huge eyesore for the neighborhood, they are a traffic hazard since they are parked on a blind turn at Poinsettia, Ardmore and 27th at a 4 way stop sign. This is an accident waiting to happen, and since this is a major pedestrian thorough fare for people walking to the greenbelt, I am concerned that someone will get hit by a car, since the truck and trailer block a driver's view of the street (and there are no sidewalks). I complained to the city a month ago and someone must have told the owner to move it, but that

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was the only time he did it and it hasn't moved it since.

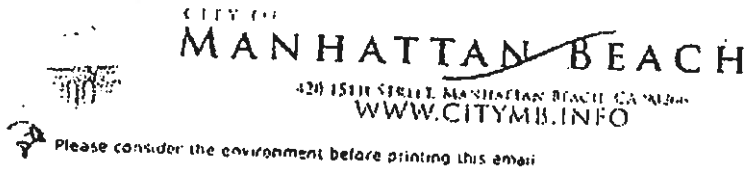
We pay a huge premium to own a home in Manhattan Beach for a reason and we would like to see it stay that way. Thank you for your consideration.

Cindy Zielinski and Ed Zobrist
925 27th St.
Manhattan Beach

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 8:30 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking

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From: Michelle Kissman [mailto:thekissmans@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2010 3:22 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking

Dear Lt.,

I am writing because we own a 22' camper trailer and am concerned about proposed regulations on city streets. Currently, we park our trailer in the parking space immediately outside our door. We specifically purchased this size of trailer so that we could park near our home and avoid expense storage fees and vandalism. Any ordinance regulating these types of vehicles should take into consideration that people have made investments given the current laws. I believe that most of us who have these types of vehicles try to be respectful of our neighbors and shouldn't be penalized because a small minority of people misbehave or because some groups of homeowners are not going to be happy about any type of parking arrangement for these kinds of vehicles.

Thanks,

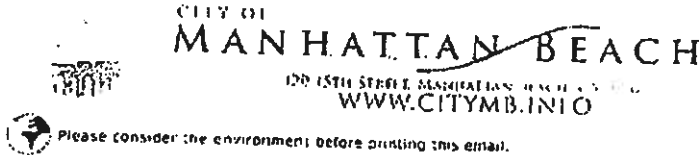
Michelle Kissman

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 11:05 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversize Vehicle Parking

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From: Dennis White [mailto:summfro69@ymail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 11:03 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversize Vehicle Parking

I am pleased the issue of boats and motorhomes on city streets has come up for consideration.

I am strongly opposed to trailered boats and RV's being parked/stored on our city streets and residential neighborhoods.

They are eyesores that detract from the beauty of our city by blocking views of lovely homes and landscaped yards. Many times motorhomes are parked near intersections blocking views of oncoming traffic or of children playing near the street creating a safety hazard.

Recreational vehicle storage yards were created to keep people's property secure and to keep the visual blight off the streets.

Many other cities in Los Angeles County have workable regulations keeping RV's off the streets and on private property behind gates and fences to eliminate visual blight.

Owners of Recreational Vehicles which include motorhomes, trailered boats and off-road dune buggies should be given the choice of storing them on their property behind fences and gates or in commercial storage lots.

These vehicles should not be stored on city streets.

Thank you for considering this issue.

Dennis White

Note: At this time of the year many of these vehicles are on the road or lakes for family recreation but are stored on the streets between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 10:11 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversized vehicle parking

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From: Maria Wohlmuth [mailto:mpwohlmuth@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 8:37 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversized vehicle parking

Dear Lieutenant Harrod,
I am writing in response to the insert in our recent MB trash/water bill concerning a possible ordinance for parked oversized vehicles in our city. Our former next door neighbor had a boat and trailer which he parked on the street for several years. Because I live 3 doors in from a corner, cars would veer around the boat only to be met by another car turning the corner. It reduced visibility as we drove out our driveway. I believe that having these vehicles parked on the street creates unsafe conditions i.e. decreased visibility, especially as many streets on the west side of MB are narrow. I would support some regulations i.e. perhaps limit the amount of time such a vehicle is on the street so as to allow owners to load/unload for a day or two both before and after a vacation.
Thank you.

Maria Wohlmuth
2709 Maple Ave.

PS I never called on my neighbor b/c I was trying to be "nice." (I also know he had a handgun in his house and didn't want to cross him.) Eventually, a neighbor who lived on Maple near 35th called b/c he had the same situation near his home.

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 12:04 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: RV Ordinance- please implement

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From: Andreas Koch [mailto:andreas@maxflax.com]
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 2:29 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: RV Ordinance- please implement

Hello Andy Harrod.

Upon learning about the new RV ordinance, I could not be in more favor of this. This will solve the many abuses that occur with RV and boat/trailer owners that store their vehicles on streets.

There currently is someone storing a boat, trailer hitched to an old van that parks in our neighborhood. He manipulates the system by moving it a few yards to avoid a ticket. He's been doing this for months. This needs to stop. I'm sure the new ordinance will address this.

Thank you,

Andy
M.B. resident.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 12:04 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Staff Report for Community Workshop on oversized vehicle parking

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From: J&F [mailto:frandy2@adelphia.net]
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2010 10:29 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Staff Report for Community Workshop on oversized vehicle parking

Dear Lt. Harrod,

The flyer announcing Thursday's *Community Workshop on Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets* said that "The Staff Report would be available at www.citymb.info on July 16 after 5:00pm." We looked today, and found a staff report dated March 2, 2010.

We have several questions:

- Is this the staff report that was to be posted? It seems quite old. Is there a later staff report yet to be posted?
- Is the workshop part of the PPIC "further study" recommended in the staff report? Or does the workshop follow completion of that study? If the latter, when will the report of that study be posted?
- We assume from the title of the workshop that none of the regulations under consideration apply to off-street parking, such as parking in a resident's driveway. Please confirm that regulations under consideration refer at most to streets, alleys and parking lots (as do the current regulations).

We have some quick input:

- We think residents should be allowed to park their own (or their guests') oversized vehicles at curbs of their own property, subject to the existing 72 hour limit (except in specific cases in which it can be shown to be a traffic hazard).
- We think that any regulation of oversized vehicle parking should be limited to streets and alleys.

Thanks,
Frank Belz and Judy Kerner

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 12:03 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Problem with Proposed RV Parking

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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From: GKB101RED@aol.com [mailto:GKB101RED@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 1:56 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Problem with Proposed RV Parking

Dear Lt. Harrod,

The proposed RV parking restrictions as currently written would make it impossible for me to legally park my RV at any time because I live on Redondo Ave which does not allow parking on the west side of the street (the front of my home). So what about all streets like this in Manhattan beach? We would need the day parking permits that would allow us to park in any legal space close to our home. The proposed law said you must park in front of your home with the day permit.

Also, I think a better description is needed for the twenty foot length. Is that bumper to bumper? Many vehicles have carriers and/or hitches that extend their length. Do these count in accessing length?

Also, is this parking issue mostly from a specific area in Manhattan Beach? Do you have a map showing the area you get most complaints from? Would it be possible to zone the problem areas?

Also, it's obvious that us retired home owners are now forced to store our motor homes which is another unanticipated expense. Will there be any consideration for senior citizens?

Regards
Gary K. Barber
101 So. Redondo Ave.
M.B., CA 90266
Phone & FAX: (310)372-1551

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 12:02 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Ocersized Vehicle Parking

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From: Ron [mailto:poipoo@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2010 2:13 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Ocersized Vehicle Parking

I'm glad something may finally be done about oversized vehicles and trailers being parked on our streets of Manhattan Beach. I am a resident and support any ordinance that will regulate the parking of oversized vehicles and trailers our City streets. It's an eyesore, safety hazard, and health risk as it encourages overnight lodging.

Ron Ching
628 36th Street
MB 90266

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:59 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: The issue of oversized vehicle parking on Manhattan Beach city streets -- a comment

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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From: Jeri O'Donnell [mailto:wordwright@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 1:48 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: Don Spradlin
Subject: The issue of oversized vehicle parking on Manhattan Beach city streets -- a comment

Dear Lt. Harrod:

I'd like to see an ordinance passed that gets people to move their oversized vehicles (including RVs, boats on trailers, etc.) off the city's streets. Many of these vehicles are essentially being stored — at no expense to their owners — in our neighborhoods. For example, an RV has been parked in the 600 block of 26th Street, just west of Flournoy, for months and months at a time, if not years. This RV is equivalent to a permanent structure in the street, one that steals short-term parking (a commodity in short supply already), detracts from the beauty of our neighborhood, and blocks the views of both residents and drivers. The oversized vehicles can also create dangerous situations when they are near intersections (as the RV on 26th Street is), because drivers often cannot see around/over them.

Perhaps a policy of no overnight parking would alleviate the problem? I know that approach has worked in other cities.

Thanks for listening.

Jeri
Jeri O'Donnell
656 27th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
310.545.9406

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:58 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: No to oversized vehicles

Andrew Harrod
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From: Ed Skebe [mailto:edskebe@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 2:16 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: No to oversized vehicles

Lt. Harrod,

Over sized vehicles are an eye-sore and occupy limited space for neighbors. Additionally, the RV's parked by Pacific School and Live Oak Park may well be individuals with bad intent.

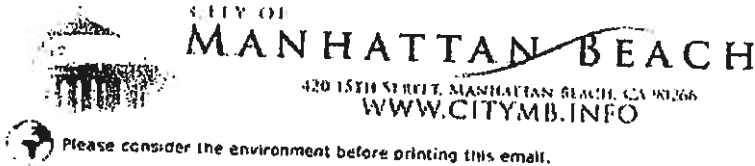
RV's etc belong in storage lots not our streets.

Regards,
Ed Skebe
Manhattan Beach

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:58 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversized vehicle parking on city streets
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From: Rae Yan [mailto:craeay@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 2:19 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversized vehicle parking on city streets

Dear Lt. Andy Harrod,

I am writing to you in support of regulating parking of oversized vehicles and trailers on city streets. I live on Duncan Ave, and consistently see a motor home parked in close proximity to my home. I feel that if I owned a motor home or trailer, I should park it on my premises or else move it to a rented facility and park it there.

Many Thanks for taking the time to read my email. I hope that my comment will positively influence the regulation of parking oversized vehicles and trailers on city streets.

Thanks and Regards,

Rae Yan
939 Duncan Ave.
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:53 AM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicles

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From: Janetlee586@aol.com [mailto:Janetlee586@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 9:03 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicles

Please adopt an ordinance to regulate the parking of these humongous vehicles. You cannot see around them or through them. They are unsightly to look at and to many owners of these vehicles use our streets as a storage unit. Bell Avenue is used too often to store peoples oversized motor homes or work trailers. And they take up valuable parking spaces not to mention the people who actually sleep in them on public streets.

Thank You

Janet & Bob Bradfield
586 29th Street
Manhattan Beach

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 3:45 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: WorkshopRV

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From: James L Gere [mailto:anniegere@juno.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 2:48 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: WorkshopRV

I own a 21ft. motorhome, but I also pay \$115 per month for private storage space. This is just part of the expense and obligation of owning a recreational vehicle.

When preparing for a trip I must drive the RV to my home where I can clean and load it. This usually takes two to three days and the vehicle is parked in front of my home. I am not aware that any of my neighbors object to this routine. I would hate to lose this convenience.

I believe the problem is the difference between parking on the street and the attempt to avoid paying for storage. The game of storing the RV on a public street until tagged allows another 72 hrs. before moving to another location. This practice should be stopped!

No solution will be perfect, but this situation cries for resolution.

Jim Gere
119 S. Dianthus St., M.B.

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Andrew Harrod

From: M Millar [mbmillars@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 4:01 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Fw: Oversized vehicles

--- On **Thu, 7/22/10**, **M Millar <mbmillars@yahoo.com>** wrote:

From: M Millar <mbmillars@yahoo.com>
Subject: Oversized vehicles
To: aharrod@citymb.info
Cc: mbmillars@yahoo.com
Date: Thursday, July 22, 2010, 3:55 PM

Dear Andy,

Please get them off our streets! We have been having a problem with an RV for years. It is being used as a warehouse for someone in the clothing buisness. In spite of my efforts they always got it moved before it could be towed or they got a ticket as it could be left in a spot for a week. We live on 10th St. above Highview and also have a parking problem that has gotten worse since the parking regulations went into effect below Highview. It seems that a lot of those people just moved up a block. Between that and the construction not to mention the special events it can get pretty bad. Any help will be appreciated.

Sincerely,
MaryAnn Millar

PS We worked together years ago when my kids were at Pacific school. I won't mention how many years ago that was but college for them is becoming a distant memory.

Andrew Harrod

From: R&B Barch [vzfmii@beachnet.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 4:09 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Comments on RV Parking

Hi, Lt. Andy,

Dick and I have read the proposed RV parking regulations and have a couple of comments. As RV owners, we have a vested interest in these, although our RV is a van which fits in our driveway and is smaller than the defined RV size in the regulations.

1. Some streets have parking on only one side, so some residents cannot park "directly in front of and adjacent to the curb of their residence" as stated in the proposed regulations.

These residents should be allowed to park as close as possible to their residence, such as across the street.

2. There is no provision for rental RVs. We have several friends who rent a couple times a year. They need to park at home to load/unload, but don't have registration/license information in advance of picking up the vehicle.

The proposed regulation states that vehicle registration information must be provided in advance to get a parking permit. Wording should be added to provide for rentals.

I'm sorry the city is considering going beyond the 72-hour regulation for this small group of residents, but if it's going to happen, at least it should be done so that people can still park for loading/unloading to enjoy their hobby.

Sincerely,
Betty Barch, N6VZF
Dick Barch, W1MII

Andrew Harrod

From: Jacqueline Zuanich-Ferrell [jacquelinez_f@verizon.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 4:51 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Reading of Proposed Rules for Oversized Vehicles on Streets in M.B.

Sir,

My husband and I co-own an RV but it is registered in Ventura County where our co-owner lives. It is stored in an RV storage lot in the city of Ventura.

When we would need to bring the RV into M.B. to pack and depart for a trip, it seems we could obtain an Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit for an out-of-town visitor. However, on our street, the 1000 block of Duncan Avenue, we have 1 hour parking M-F, 9 am to 5 pm, primarily due to employees of neighboring businesses using our curbed street for parking their vehicles while they are working. Unless the parking of our RV occurs on a weekend, we would have to locate our RV on the closest neighboring street, Dianthus Avenue. How would the Police Dep't handle this situation?

In general, RV owners complaining that they cannot afford or locate storage is bogus. It is the responsibility of the RV owner(s) to store their oversized vehicles in a proper facility, no matter how inconvenient.

Thank you for soliciting public comment.

Jackie and Joe Ferrell

1018 Duncan Avenue

07/22/2010

Andrew Harrod

From: Soheil & Noura Samimi [snsamimi@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 5:24 PM

To: Andrew Harrod

Subject: Fw: Re: Oversized Vehicle Parking

Dear Lt. Andy Harrod,

I am writing to express my ultimate dissatisfaction with oversized vehicle parking in the city of Manhattan Beach. I am afraid I cannot attend the meeting tonight but I want to let you know that I believe these oversized vehicles make our streets look extremely ugly and driving somewhat difficult.

Our neighbor apparently is in the business of selling cars from out of State. Every month or two, he parks a HUGE commercial trailer, which holds several cars in it, in front of our house and tends to these cars for two to three weeks. During these times our street becomes like a mechanic shop and a car dealership not to mention the fact that all the parking spots get taken by these cars.

We will be very happy if the city will consider some kind of ordinances to regulate the parking of these oversized vehicles and trailers.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Noura Samimi

234 N. Dianthus Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:42 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized vehicles

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info



From: monica turney [mailto:turneymj@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, July 23, 2010 10:38 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized vehicles

Dear Lt. Harrod,
Thank you so much for your thorough and succinct presentation last night. I am so pleased that we are finally going to address this problem and act in accordance with most of our surrounding cities concerning RV storage on city streets. I am surprised that the owner of the RV which has been parked on Bell Ave for the last week and a half has still not moved his vehicle. He was present last night and heard all the arguments about not parking next to a school and still has not moved it. I called last Friday and they marked his vehicle (and I have called many, many times before). I called again again late Monday after 72 hours and all they did was give him another warning, which he just takes off his vehicle. He moves it for street sweeping to the other side. I am tired of calling. Thank you again so much for doing everything you can possibly do to address this selfish and uncaring attitude for the law that they have.

Sincerely,
Monica Turney

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:42 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicles

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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E: aharrod@citymb.info



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From: david schmidt [mailto:schmidt90266@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, July 23, 2010 4:43 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicles

Lt. Andy Harrod,

We fully support and would like to see strict limitations on over sized vehicles parking on MB streets.

Ideally we would like to see an ordinance to prevent parking of over-sized vehicles to no more than 48 hours. This would include boats, trailers, RV's, trucks, recreational vehicles, flatbeds, etc. Besides being an eyesore many of these items obstruct the view of traffic and can be considered a safely hazard.

We will be out of town for the July 22 meeting and would like to be represented via this email. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Schmidt
Mindy Bath-Schmidt
881 8th Street
MB

8/19/2010

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:41 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized vehicle parking

Andrew Harrod
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From: Terry Watson [mailto:slaysman@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2010 10:45 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized vehicle parking

Dear Lt. Harrod:

I just opened my water bill and found a flyer for a meeting on the above subject. Would have liked to attend, but this wasn't much advanced notice, and I obviously missed the meeting.

The note also says "The staff report will be available on July 16....". I have looked all over the web site, and can find no reference to such a meeting. Can you sent me a better URL or link to the staff report? Thank you!

Terry Watson
310-372-5027 Home
443-462-7834 Cell

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:41 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversized vehicles

Andrew Harrod
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From: Rosemary Gray [mailto:seabags@verizon.net]
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2010 2:26 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversized vehicles

Lt. Harrod

I live at the corner of 29th St. and Bell. This area has proved to be a depot for RV's et. al. I have experienced RV's and boats parked in front of my kitchen window for days on end.

I wholeheartedly support the proposed ordinance.

Rosemary Gray

8/19/2010

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:41 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info
City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy Simpson [mailto:Nancy.Simpson@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2010 3:45 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Andy, Lt. Harrod,

Wanted to let you know that as a resident of MB, I would support an ordinance NOT allowing oversized vehicles to park on our streets.

Nancy Simpson
101 N Dianthus St

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:40 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Motorhomes on City streets...

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

P: (310) 802-5165
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From: Debra [mailto:dsuard@verizon.net]
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2010 11:28 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Motorhomes on City streets...

Hi, Lt. Harrod,

Thank you for addressing this problem.

Below is an email I sent to City Hall about a motorhome parked in El Porto earlier this month. Over the 4th of July weekend, it had been parked on 43rd St. (where they partied loudly for 3 nights in a row), then they moved to the lot on Tuesday 6th. It was parked there *in a handicapped space* for a full week, until Tuesday the 13th. None of the partiers appeared to be handicapped!

I sent my email to City Hall on the 8th. Ms. Boice responded quickly, as you will see below, but no one from Parking Enforcement responded.

It is a big, old motorhome which has previously spent weekends on 43rd St. and I'm sure they will return periodically over the summer. Besides the noise from the excess partiers, the street is very narrow and it could easily block emergency vehicles.

I heard others complain about it too, and we would be happy if the City regulates the parking of oversized vehicles on City streets.

Thank you very much, Debra Suard

From: [Linda Boice](#)
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 8:26 AM
To: [Mark Mason](#) ; dsuard@verizon.net
Cc: [John Dye](#) ; [Sara Martinez](#)

8/19/2010

Subject: Campers in the El Porto lot...

Debra,

I've forwarded your question to Parking Enforcement, I'm sure they will be able to answer your questions.

Linda

Linda Boice

Revenue Services Representative

P: (310) 802-5561

E: lboice@citymb.info



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From: Debra [<mailto:dsuard@verizon.net>]

Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 8:57 PM

To: Linda Boice

Subject: Campers in the El Porto lot...

How long are Campers allowed to overnight in the El Porto parking lot?

We have seen one there since Tuesday parked in the Handicapped Space (at the foot of 44th), and wonder how long it is OK for Campers to camp there.

Thanks!

8/19/2010

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:40 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversized vehicle parking

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From: jim wagner [mailto:jim@wagnerstocks.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 12:28 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversized vehicle parking

Andy,

sorry i missed the 7-22-10 mtg.

I would very much like to see some restrictions to regulate the parking of oversized vehicles and trailers on our streets; particularly close to the beach. They make turning onto either Manhattan Ave or Highland extremely hazardous.

Almost each morning as i turn left from Bayview onto 33rd street, headed to Manhattan Ave, each corner seems to have either a Jeep, SUV or Monster truck parked on each corner. The Monster truck totally obscures any vision of oncoming cars and is usually parked there for days at a time. what adds to this safety issue is that people using Manhattan Ave normally don't pay much attention to oncoming cars turning into Manhattan Ave---either right or left.

Thank You,

Jim Wagner

8/19/2010

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:39 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversize Vehicle Parking

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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From: Douglas Lock [mailto:doug.lock@verizon.net]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 5:49 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversize Vehicle Parking

Dear Officer Harrod

I attended the meeting on July 22nd, 2010 where you gave a slide presentation to the PPIC. At the meeting you mentioned that a notice had gone out with all of the water bills. At the time I thought I must have overlooked the notice in my last water bill. It turns out that my water bill just arrived in today's (July 27th) mail, five days AFTER the meeting was held. Thank goodness a friend told me about the meeting before July 22nd.

Perhaps sending out meeting notices with water bills, which come out every two months, is not an efficient way to notify the public.

As a comment, it seems to me that the whole OV parking problem would be easily solved if the 72 hour law was changed slightly so the police could ticket those people that are "in effect" flaunting the law by moving their vehicles across the street or a few inches every 72 hours.

It is disappointing to me that Manhattan Beach will now probably pass a cumbersome, expensive and burdensome system onto those OV owners that are complying with the law, storing outside of the city and need to bring their vehicles into town on occasion.

Most disappointing is that the PPIC obviously had their minds made up before the meeting and disregarded an overwhelming majority of opinions that were opposed to instituting the registration system.

Douglas Lock

8/19/2010

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:23 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Daniel-DiGregorio, Kristie [mailto:kdaniel@elcamino.edu]
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2010 10:52 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Cc: Gino DiGregorio
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Dear Lt Harrod,

I am writing to express my concern about oversized vehicles parking on city streets.

My first concern is safety. We live on the 1700 block of Curtis. When a neighbor parks at the end of the block, near Aviation, it creates an incredible hazard whether you are entering or leaving Curtis. At times, there are three vehicles, including the RV, sharing space at the intersection of Curtis and Aviation: the RV, a car entering Curtis from Aviation and another car entering Aviation from Curtis.

Also in our area, when a second RV parks on Redondo Avenue, it creates a hazard for cyclists and cars as it makes it virtually impossible to see around the RV for oncoming traffic or other parked cars.

Especially when they are parked for extended periods of time and not driven long distances, the RVs leak oil and other products that pollute our waterways and environment.

My second concern is aesthetic. We live in a nice community where many of the residents have drive ways or garages. These are the appropriate places for RVs or else storage places outside of the community. Not the streets.

I would appreciate any assistance you can provide to eliminate the parking of RVs on city streets. I learned of the public discussion after the scheduled date, which is why I'm providing my comments via email. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or need more information. Thank you in advance for your help!

Kristie Daniel-DiGregorio
1726 Curtis Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
310.753.3348

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:39 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: RV
Attachments: IMG_1494.JPG; IMG_1495.JPG; IMG_1496.JPG

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Traffic Lieutenant
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Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Stephanie Monash [mailto:smonash@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2010 2:43 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Fw: RV

Hi Lieutenant Harrod,

Myself and fellow RV owners thought you might want to see the vehicle that has prompted repeated complaint from resident Joana Gallo Marsteller (758 26th St.) before the PPIC. What Marsteller's remarks would lead you to believe must be a 40' diesel pusher is really just a (sweet!) Sportsmobile conversion van. Moreover, I spoke with the owner's fiancée today, and she informed me that the vehicle is always parked in front of their own property.

Perspective is subjective. Sometimes it takes a picture to tell the real story.

Best regards,

Stephanie Monash

----- Original Message -----

From: Ron Symmes
To: [Steve DeBaets](mailto:Steve.DeBaets) ; [Christina Tate](mailto:Christina.Tate) ; [Christina Tate](mailto:Christina.Tate) ; fishandgametim@gmail.com ; greg.coop@verizon.net ; [Kristi Hutchinson](mailto:Kristi.Hutchinson) ; [Michael Griffiths](mailto:Michael.Griffiths) ; [Mike Griffith](mailto:Mike.Griffith) ; okinc@hotmail.com ; [Patti Richmond](mailto:Patti.Richmond) ; PStravelin2@aol.com ; Ranchorob2@aol.com ; [Stephanie Monash](mailto:Stephanie.Monash) ; steve.debaets@gmail.com ; steve.stepanek@verizon.net ; vrb1@netzero.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 8:34 PM
Subject: Re: RV

Steve,

Attached are photos of the RV that is causing so much of a problem, creating a " safety hazard",

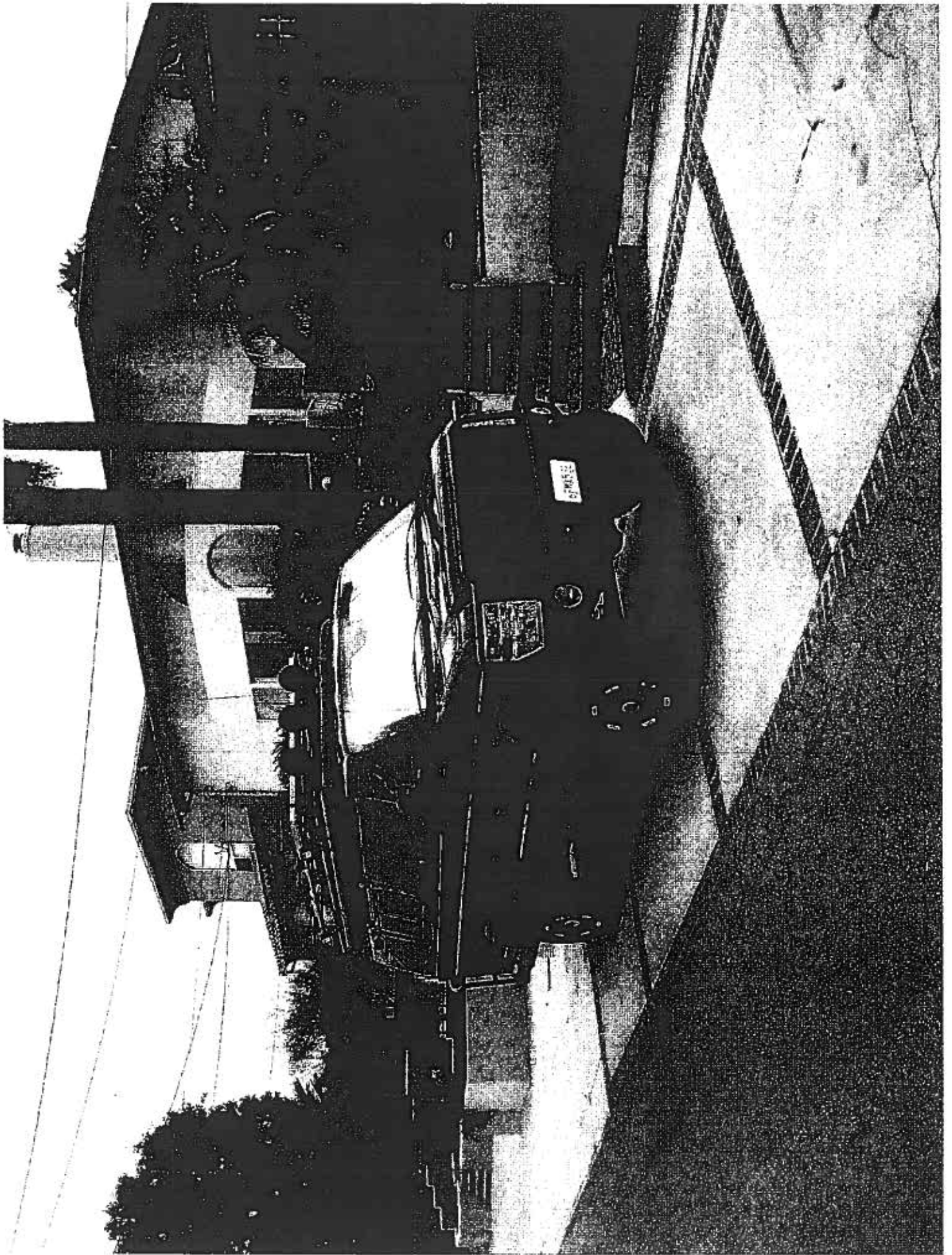
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"blocking our vision", and causing "lack of sunlight and free flow of breeze --- and may lead to the death of one of our 20 year old aracia trees". Wow, must be a huge RV!

Ron

From: Steve DeBaets <mbrvowners@gmail.com>
To: Christina Tate <Christ@onlinestitchkits.com>; Christina Tate <tatechristina@gmail.com>;
fishandgametim@gmail.com; greg.coop@verizon.net; Kristi Hutchinson <KristiHut@msn.com>; Michael Griffiths
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steve.stepanek@verizon.net; "vrb1@netzero.com" <vrb1@netzero.com>
Sent: Tue, July 27, 2010 10:36:09 AM
Subject: RV

By the way the address of the home I mentioned in my email is 758 26th St. this address way made public in the agenda for the PPIC meeting on July 22, 2010.



Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:22 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Problem with Proposed RV Parking

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info



From: GKB101RED@aol.com [mailto:GKB101RED@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 31, 2010 8:42 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Re: Problem with Proposed RV Parking

Dear Lt. Harrod,

Has there been any progress in formulating a better defined policy for parking oversized vehicles? Since you were the focal point for citizen comments, it follows that you should respond with some sort of response or update.

What's Up??

Gary

In a message dated 7/19/2010 1:55:30 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time, GKB101RED@aol.com writes:

Dear Lt. Harrod,

The proposed RV parking restrictions as currently written would make it impossible for me to legally park my RV at any time because I live on Redondo Ave which does not allow parking on the west side of the street (the front of my home). So what about all streets like this in Manhattan beach? We would need the day parking permits that would allow us to park in any legal space close to our home. The proposed law said you must park in front of your home with the day permit.

Also, I think a better description is needed for the twenty foot length. Is that bumper to bumper? Many vehicles have carriers and/or hitches that extend their length. Do these count in accessing length?

Also, is this parking issue mostly from a specific area in Manhattan Beach? Do you have a map showing the area you get most complaints from? Would it be possible to zone the problem areas?

Also, it's obvious that us retired home owners are now forced to store our motor homes which is another unanticipated expense. Will there be any consideration for senior citizens?

Regards

Gary K. Barber

101 So. Redondo Ave.

M.B., CA 90266

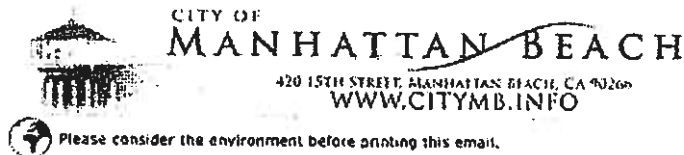
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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:22 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Street

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info



From: Brian George [mailto:brian.george@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 01, 2010 12:29 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Street

Lieutenant Harrod:

I live at 1622 6th Street in Manhattan Beach, and I just received the notice of the community workshop...looks like I missed it. Anyhow, I am very happy to see that the City is considering passing an ordinance to regulate the parking of over sized vehicles on City streets. I am in favor of this for four reasons:

1. Our streets are narrow, and when a large vehicle is parked to one side, it can make it difficult for vehicles to pass one another while driving;
2. When a large vehicle is parked on my side of the street, it can be difficult to back out of my driveway as visibility is greatly reduced;
3. Large vehicles on the street impact visibility for motorists and pedestrians. Many children play on the sidewalks on my block, and these vehicles make it more difficult both for moving vehicles to see the kids and for the kids to see the vehicles; and
4. Large vehicles and trailers are an eyesore in an otherwise beautiful community.

On my block in particular, there is a large white truck that is usually parked on the street. Not only is it unsightly, but I feel that it creates a dangerous condition due to the items listed above. There is also a boat on a trailer is often parked on Herrin between 5th and 6th. For the same reasons noted above, I feel that this should not be allowed.

Thank you for all of your hard work.

Sincerely,

Brian G. George, Esq.
Bershon Realty Company L.P.
Manager, General Partner
3002 Midvale Avenue, Suite 201
Los Angeles, California 90034
Phone: (310) 475-2598
FAX: (310) 475-9499
Brian.George@GMail.com

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:38 PM
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From: John G. Acker [mailto:johnacker@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 01, 2010 10:15 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking

Lt. Andy Harrod,

As a resident of Manhattan Beach for over 20 years, I don't think homeowners should be allowed to park their RV's or Boats on the streets (or their front yards as I have seen). I think they are a safety hazard since the oversized vehicles limit the visibility when driving on city streets. They are also an eye-sore in the community. If the homeowners had much more land, I could understand keeping the vehicles at their home. But in a city of small lots and much congestion, the oversized vehicles parked on the street are not welcome.

Thanks,

John Acker
1446 11th Street
MB

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Kate and Bob Walsh
3000 Walnut Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Home Phone: (310) 545-3475 / Mobile Phone: (310) 918-8040

August 2, 2010

Nhung Madrid
Management Analyst
City of Manhattan Beach
Manhattan Beach, Ca 90266

Dear Ms. Madrid:

My wife and I are long time (25+) year residents of Manhattan Beach; and we love having Manhattan Beach as our home, and are very appreciative of all the wonderful things the City staff, City Commissions, and City Councilmembers do to help make this a terrific community. Thank you!

We understand that your office is coordinating a review of issues pertaining to the so-called "RV Parking" conditions throughout the City. We compliment and encourage you, the City staff, the Parking Commission and the City Council to do everything possible – to expedite this review. Perhaps it may be necessary to create Urgency provisions until a more long term resolve can be put in place.

Attached is a photo taken this morning from our neighborhood. This vehicle came to the neighborhood yesterday – virtually nobody on the block knew of its expected arrival – and, as it was parked, passengers from the vehicle immediately started to unload bicycles and "beach gear" – and left for the day. It now appears it may be many days at the same location for this vehicle and its passengers. And, the 72 hour parking limitation does not go nearly far enough to safeguard the community.

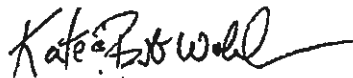
With your review, please consider:

- o IF the City is going to allow this type of parking – then it must be prepared for "cumulative impacts"; what if there are several (large) RV vehicles parked on a given block – at the same time?
- o The City goes to great lengths to maintain residential streets; paving, utility lines, etc. Doesn't this type of oversized parking in residential areas deteriorate these improvements on an accelerated basis?
- o When a resident plans for a family party or function – for many of our neighborhoods, many just assume parking will be readily available. With little or no notice of this type of parking, doesn't this create an undo burden for those who plan and coordinate their events with their neighbors?
- o With such a large RV parked in a neighborhood with smaller homes, and little if any sidewalks – isn't it hard for regular police patrols to have easy visual access when driving through the various neighborhoods – to keep our neighborhoods safe?

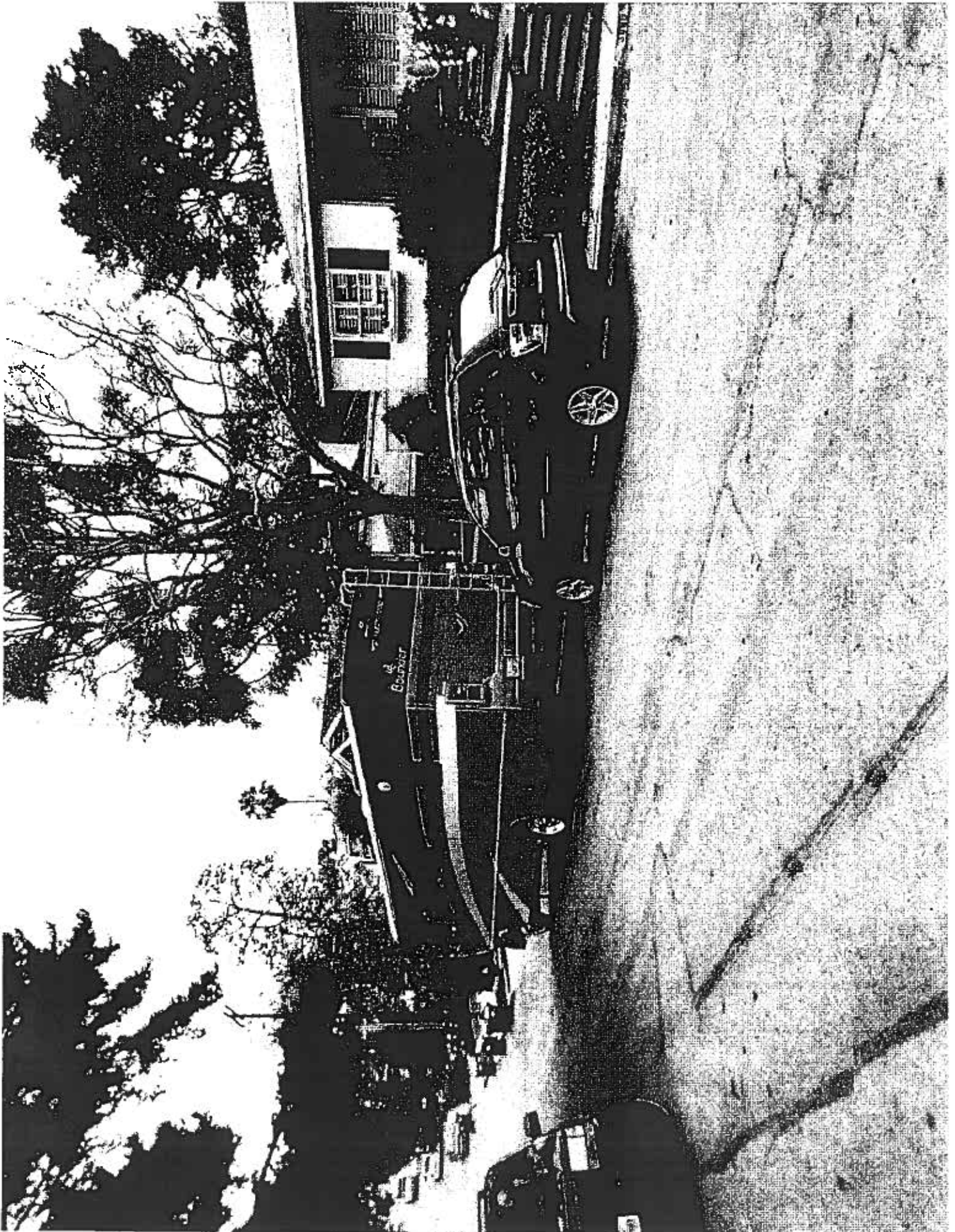
In short – we think most would agree that a limited RV parking, with permits that encourage the applicant to advise their neighbors a week or so before the permit is issued – for purposes of loading or unloading items for a family trip – should be permitted. BUT, Manhattan Beach should not be turned in to "Beach World" – where residential streets become RV parks.

Thank you for your continued GREAT work to help the City – and, please encourage those who are evaluating this situation – to take action soon.

Sincerely,



Copy: Honorable Mitch Ward, Mayor
Lester Silverman, Parking and Public Improvements Commission
Richard Thompson, Interim City Manager



Julie Dahlgren

From: Bob Walsh [bwalsh3000@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 02, 2010 11:14 AM
To: Nhung Madrid
Cc: Patricia Schilling; Julie Dahlgren; Andrew Harrod
Subject: Re: FW: Letter

Thank you for your very prompt and nice reply. Also, thanks to Patricia for being so much help.

We will do what we can to attend your meeting later this month; but as of now, we may be out of town for family matters.

One way or another -- we hope you and others can bring about some "action" -- and try to avoid delay. This is, as other matters we are sure, a tough issue -- BUT, we think something is needed to make sure quality standards (and communication) for our community are maintained.

We read with some interest in one of the recent past reports -- where someone suggested that regulations perhaps should be adopted on a neighborhood by neighborhood 'opt in' approach. In our opinion -- "spot" standards that would allow one neighborhood to create restrictive parking, while others would not have it -- would just push an issue from one area to another. In the alternative -- a City-wide prohibition should be in place -- and, the only exceptions should be a) by permit (requiring the person obtaining the permit to communicate the planned parking with their neighbors) or b) perhaps allowing certain neighborhoods to allow for such (limited) parking -- but only after all (or most) in the neighborhood approve (on an annual basis), and a fee is paid to the City for extra wear-and-tear on the street. Just a thought -- but no matter what -- something should be "done" -- and soon, even on an Urgency basis, with follow-up and amendments later on.

Thank you again.

Bob

--- On Mon, 8/2/10, Nhung Madrid <nmadrid@citymb.info> wrote:

From: Nhung Madrid <nmadrid@citymb.info>
 Subject: FW: Letter
 To: bwalsh3000@yahoo.com
 Cc: "Patricia Schilling" <pschilling@citymb.info>, "Julie Dahlgren" <jdahlgren@citymb.info>, "Andrew Harrod" <aharrodd@citymb.info>
 Date: Monday, August 2, 2010, 10:15 AM

Hi Mr. Walsh,

Thank you for your email. The staff report regarding oversized vehicles will be going back to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission this month. I have forwarded your email to the Police Department so they can add your letter and picture in the report as public correspondence. All Commissioners will receive your letter/picture as part of their packet.

If you would like to attend the meeting, it is scheduled for August 26th at 6:30 PM in City Hall Council Chambers. The staff report will be available on the City's website at www.citymb.info on August 20th after 5:00 PM. You can also sign up for the "eNews Sign Up" on the City's website and be automatically notified of the meeting as well.

If you have any other questions or concerns regarding this matter, you may contact Lt. Harrod in the Police Department.

Thank you,

Nhung

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Community Development Management Analyst

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From: Bob Walsh [<mailto:bwalsh3000@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 02, 2010 10:01 AM
To: Nhung Madrid
Cc: Patricia Schilling
Subject: Letter

Good morning.

I left a message for you earlier today at the suggestion of the City Manager's office, and I did receive your voice mail reply just a little bit ago -- but I am now away for the day.

Attached, please find a letter and photo regarding parking conditions in our neighborhood. Please note that the letters shows -- "cc's". Can you and Patricia please distribute those "cc's" for us?

I look forward to learning of progress regarding this matter, and thank you very much for

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all that you and so many others with the City do, to make Manhattan Beach such a wonderful community!

Bob Walsh

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:36 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: motorhome ordinance

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info
City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: palm9thstmb@juno.com [mailto:palm9thstmb@juno.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 03, 2010 12:36 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: motorhome ordinance

Lt. Andy Harrod
Manhattan Beach Police Dept.

Lt. Harrod,

I have a concern with the proposed ordinance as presented in the Beach Reporter where the traffic conditions in the various parts of Manhattan Beach are not part of the conditions. There are portions of the city where it is difficult to just drive a large motorhome through the street let alone to park it. However other portions of the city could accept ~~their presence without affecting traffic.~~ In my case at 1827 9th St. I own a 22-ft Lazy Daze. I have 24 feet of curb space in front of my residence and our two cars are housed in our two car garage. The street is wide enough to accomdate two cars passing and a minimum amount of traffic. Under the proposed ordinance I would be in violation if I parked the motorhome where it has been parked for the last 10 years and I do not believe it would make any difference to the traffic conditions on 9th St. There should be some method of considering the individual locations that would be required to be restricted instead of the arbitrary method proposed.

Thanks for taking my input.

Noel Palm

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:35 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Street - re: yellow flyer regarding ordinance

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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From: Amy Swindle [mailto:alswindle@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 04, 2010 10:47 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Street - re: yellow flyer regarding ordinance

Dear. Lt. Harrod:

Hello- I lived in MB from 1970-2000. We currently live in San Diego but maintain a rental home in MB and are there several times per year. We received a yellow flyer in the mail regarding motor homes and parking on the street and a possible ordinance against this. We do NOT want boats, motor homes, campers, trailers (oversized Vehicles) on the streets. They are an eye sore and very dangerous.

A few miles from our home in San Diego, a man kidnapped his neighbor's daughter with his motor home, molested and killed her (David Westerfield). I see motor homes parked next to the park and the school by my house and immediately call the police to have them cited since we have HOA rules against that here. It only takes 2 seconds for someone to grab a child off a sidewalk walking to and from school or the park and for them to be tossed in the motor home-never to be seen again.

When I lived in MB a neighbor had his filthy boat parked on South Prospect Avenue for years. It was so ugly and ruined the look of our neighborhood. Then a child ran his bike into the boat on accident because it was so large, and hurt himself rather badly.

We want an ordinance against ALL oversized vehicles AND boats enacted! They are ugly and dangerous.

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Sincerely

Amy Swindle
owner 1281 Shelley St
MB CA 90266

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:35 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets Ordinance Mtg
Importance: High

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info
City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: Miller, Steven B [mailto:steven.b.miller@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 04, 2010 1:01 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets Ordinance Mtg
Importance: High

Lt. Andy Harrod
Manhattan Beach Police Dept.
420 15th. Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Dear Lt. Harrod,

We received the notice regarding the meeting about parking oversized vehicles, in the envelope with our water bill, well after the actual meeting took place. I wish we could have attended in person because we are very much in favor of this ordinance. Since we weren't able to attend, the notice said residents are encouraged to send their comments to you by e-mail.

We are residents in the 100 block of South Herrin Ave. and have personally experienced many kinds of oversized vehicles parked in our area. Both my wife and I are in favor of a city ordinance to prohibit the parking of oversized vehicles (campers, trailers, RV's and boats) on city streets for a variety of reasons. Some of these vehicles are an "eye-sore" and detract from our community. In some instances, we have observed people who appear to be living in camper's/RV's, which probably raises health issues. Our 3 young children are wary of walking on the sidewalk next to these vehicles, when the owners seem to be residing there. Once, they witnessed one of the inhabitants yelling in rage, at his dog, who was inside the vehicle and later came out without a leash, with the man still yelling. They were frightened and now cross to the opposite side of the street if the camper is parked on our side. The parking of these inhabited vehicles in close proximity to our elementary schools is yet another cause of concern.

- If we don't doesn't pass an ordinance, then we could become the "dumping ground" for other city's residents that prohibit parking them on residential streets.

- These types of vehicles pose a potential hazard to drivers by being parked in residential neighborhoods. Some are very oversized and take up a lot of street space, making it difficult to safely back out of our driveway or navigate around them.

Thank you for considering our thoughts on this matter. We sincerely hope the city passes an ordinance to deal with this issue. Please let us know if there is another meeting, as we would like to attend and know many other residents who would also like to, as well.

Steve and Laura Miller

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:34 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversizeparking

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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From: Sally Barnes [mailto:bobsallybarnes@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 05, 2010 1:00 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversizeparking

Hi,

1817-3rd.st. M.B. Sally and Bob Barnes

We received the yellow notice and didn't realize the city already had a 72 hour parking restriction as it is never enforced back in our area at all. Motorhomes and boats spend years without moving and some belong to ex-city officials or exworkers. Maybe that is why they never move???

We are all for the new regulation to be passed. Thank you for reading this.

-----Original Message-----

From: RAJAENTRP@aol.com [mailto:RAJAENTRP@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 05, 2010 2:46 PM

To: CityCouncil@citymb.info; cm@citymb.info

Subject: City Council

Dear Council members,

I attended one meeting at City Hall regarding RVs and oversized vehicles parking on Manhattan Beach city streets. Many streets are too narrow to accommodate large vehicle parking and the attached images are just an example of one offender. The owner moves the vehicle on street sweeping days to other streets in the neighborhood. The owner has parked across from driveways and moves the truck on occasion to avoid the 72 hour rule. The 72 hour rule **should not** allow moving the vehicle a short distance forward or backward or even across the street, but it should be removed from the street completely. When parked on 23 rd near Meadows, delivery trucks can barely pass and the truck creates a hazard for normal traffic. *see images below*

The new parking rules aren't popular with everyone, but I feel the rules are necessary and should be enforced.

Meadows ave. looking North towards Marine Ave.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:32 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: oversize parking regulations

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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From: shorelinetrans@aol.com [mailto:shorelinetrans@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, August 06, 2010 12:04 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: oversize parking regulations

Dear LT Harrod, Is email is to state that we oppose the ordinance of oversize vehicles. The reason is that we park our race car trailer from time to time in front of our home. Thanks Dan Coburn 2108 Faymont av.

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1420 10th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
August 6, 2010

City of Manhattan Beach
Parking and Public Improvements Commission

Commissioner Dr. Cyrus Adami
Commissioner Paul Gross
Commissioner Lester Silverman
Commissioner Gary Stabile
Commissioner Carlos Vigon

Subject: Proposed Oversize Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program

I attended the public meeting of the Parking and Public Improvements Commission on July 22, 2010 wherein the subject Ordinance and Program were presented and discussed. I also reviewed the staff report which recommended a general prohibition of parking of oversize vehicles on city streets subject to certain registration and permit exceptions. I request the Commission return the staff report for revisions and additional information as noted below prior to making a final recommendation on this issue to the Council. I think the staff report jumps to unwarranted conclusions on the basis of insufficient information. For the record - I own a 26 ft RV and store it outside, 10 miles away, in Gardena at a cost of approximately \$110 per month. There are problems with remote storage as you don't have frequent access to observe the vehicle and batteries tend to drain down, etc. But I support the prohibition of storage of large vehicles on city streets especially in residential areas with narrow streets and frequent driveways.

1. Define the problem more concisely. Provide dates of the survey(s) taken that establish numbers of oversize vehicles and trailers – and breakdown these types of vehicles so a better definition of the problem is apparent. Include groupings of where each type is observed. The general statement of “approximately 30+ vehicles ...” doesn't give the complete story. If in fact the majority of vehicles are clustered around schools or certain specific areas – a solution focusing on those areas may solve the problem without a blanket prohibition on the entire city.
2. Consider enhanced enforcement of the present MBMC 14.36.060. If any vehicle is observed day after day parked, day and night, on a city street – cite it – it is being stored there. The code prohibits storage already – no additional Ordinances are necessary – just enforcement. Let the vehicle owner contest the citation if he wishes – maybe a judge will allow the city to prevail. Maybe not. What are the statistics on citations issued under this Code? What is the City's win/loss average? How many citations are issued monthly? If the city cannot enforce this ordinance, what makes you think it will enforce another one? Especially on a complaint basis?
3. If the problem is substantially related to school or other areas – place parking restrictions on those areas. “No overnite parking”. “No parking during school hours”. “No parking 7 -9:00 AM and 2 – 4:00 PM” are all possibilities. Similar restrictions are already in place on the street behind Bristol Farms – “No Parking from 2 -4:00AM”. Has this solved that problem? Owners of these vehicles will neither want to nor be able to move them frequently and will quickly find other storage choices.

4. I question whether the City needs another bureaucratic program whether supported by user fees or not. Why do these vehicles need to be registered with the city – they are already registered with the state and the MBPD has full access to this information – just run the license plate. If one has to call in to the MBPD each time to activate a parking permit, why do we need a permit. The town back east that I grew up in prohibited all vehicles from parking on city streets from 2:00 to 4:00 AM – forcing all vehicles to be garaged. If you had an out of town visitor or your vehicle broke down on the street, we phoned the PD and got an exception for one night– no fee involved. Why wouldn't this work here? Why does the oversize permit require a fee?

5. There is no justification in the staff report for requiring a permit to occasionally park on city streets. This is a routine occurrence at the start and end of trips for most RV owners – they need to ready the vehicle and then close it up. It generally takes from 1-3 days. This activity would still be allowed under the recommended program – just with fees and permits added. How does this change the “storage” activity that is objectionable? In fact the ordinance would allow this activity for up to 96 days per year! And neighbor complaints would be dismissed because the owner is in compliance with the new ordinance! This simply is not a valid solution to the problem.

6. The discussion noted five different permit programs. Absolutely no analysis was given regarding the effectiveness of each of the methods. What justification is there for the City to immediately jump to the most aggressive program? If a less aggressive program works somewhere else, why would that not work here? The MBPD analysis of these different approaches is sorely lacking and such an analysis should be part of the staff report.

Please consider the above points before finalizing your recommendation on this matter. Also please thoroughly read the staff report and attachments and determine yourself whether the report is sufficient justification for the actions that are being recommended. I think you will come to the conclusion that it is not.

Thank you for your efforts toward solving a very real problem in the community and I hope you are able to recommend a less intrusive, yet equally effective solution.

Sincerely,



William McCleish

Cc Lt. Andy Harrod
Julie Dahlgren, M.A.

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2010 6:21 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized vehicle parking in MB

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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E: aharrod@citymb.info



From: jay.newenergy@gmail.com [mailto:jay.newenergy@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Jay Hirsch
Sent: Saturday, August 07, 2010 9:12 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized vehicle parking in MB

I don't park an oversized vehicle in MB, but am against any new restrictions. I think it's perfectly reasonable for someone to park an RV, boat or trailer on a public street and that if people need that much control over what their neighbors are doing they should move to a HOA or a commune.

Jay Hirsch
563 31st St.
Manhattan Beach, CA

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2010 3:20 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: RV's

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant

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From: yvettedoke@aol.com [mailto:yvettedoke@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2010 8:29 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: RV's

I was unable to attend the meeting but I am opposed to RV's being allowed to park on the street. I live on the 1700 block of Voorhees and there one that is parked there 6 days a week. On street sweeping day they move it up to Redondo Avenue....which is a complete hazard because we cannot see around it when trying to cross the street. I have edged my way out into oncoming vehicles numerous times.

The irony is that there is no reason they cannot park it in their driveway. Our lots are 150 ft deep for heavens sakes.

So my vote is to get them off the street.

Thank you for asking,

Yvette Doke

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Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 12:29 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: support of oversize vehicle ordinance

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info



From: Linda Kupiec [mailto:lwkupiec@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 11:20 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: support of oversize vehicle ordinance

Lt. Harrod - thank you for addressing the oversize vehicle issue here in Manhattan Beach. I just wanted to let you know how much we support the proposed ordinance. We have had RV's and boats parked by our garage for several days throughout the year. The RV and boat do not belong to our neighbors. I have seen the owners drive the vehicle to our street, park it and then leave. They come back a couple of days later to move it somewhere else.

We also support the proposed ban on oversize vehicle parking around schools, community centers and parks. Kind regards - Linda Kupiec

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 12:56 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: thank you

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info
City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: Aileen Martin [mailto:aileenm3@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 12:50 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: thank you

To Lt. Harrod, his assistant Julie, the PPIC and members of the the MB City Council:

I'm writing this to commend and to thank you for your hard work in developing the ordinance in Manhattan Beach that will control RV's and oversized vehicles on our streets. IT'S ALL ABOUT SAFETY.

As a retired teacher, I have looked on with horror at the dangerous situation for children on John Street, behind Pacific School. There are usually 3 giant RV's parked there.. Now actually, due to your hard work on this issue, children ALL OVER THE CITY will be safer.

And as an extra bonus, we will gain parking places since RV's take up 2-3 places each. I have felt sorry for residents trying to back out of their driveways with their visibility blocked by RV's. Or the beauty of their front garden or home blocked by them. Or their view of their kids playing across the street.

The city of Manhattan Beach should be proud to lead the way as cities all over the south bay realize that their citizens will be safer with RV's off the public streets. Thank you for listening, Aileen Martin, long time local resident.
aileenm3@verizon.net

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 1:02 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: RV Parking

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
E: aharrod@citymb.info
City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----

From: Rob & Kristi [mailto:rkr.knowles@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 7:07 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: RV Parking

Dear Lt. Andy Harrod,

I am unable to attend the PPIC Meeting regarding RV parking around school campus and therefore wanted to take this opportunity to share my position on this initiative.

This e-mail is in support of preventing RV's from parking around any school boundaries. The crimes against children that we are all aware of quite often stem from vans and RV's being in a location that grants them easy access to their victims. These crimes are so horrific, that we need to be as proactive as possible to prevent any such crime from happening. The cost of even just one crime occurring is far too great of a risk. While I respect the right of the vehicle owners to park in legitimate parking spots, these spots should never be in close proximity of small, defenseless children.

There is no way to ensure someone in a van or RV is not doing and/or planning to do harm. I don't believe that the current RV owners that are parking around the schools have any such intentions. However, the fact that we allow it opens the opportunity for someone with that motive to take advantage of our oversights. In other words, a new RV parking with an existing one may not garner our attention if we continue to allow them to park on or around the boundaries of our school because it has become acceptable.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my thoughts. I appreciate you and the PPIC board addressing this matter.

Sincerely,
Kristi Knowles
Manhattan Beach Resident
Parent of Students at Pacific School

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 1:02 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: RV Parking Discussion

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
P: (310) 802-5165
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City of Manhattan Beach, CA

-----Original Message-----
From: Kelly Kelley [mailto:kellykelley@me.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 10:01 PM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: RV Parking Discussion

Hello Lt. Harrod,

I am a parent at Pacific Elementary School, and unfortunately cannot attend tomorrow night's meeting at City Hall regarding RV Parking. I just wanted to voice my concern over long-term RV parking, and express my desire that RVs not be allowed to park on the school perimeter. Although I cannot be at the meeting, I was told that an email might help to express the number of concerned parents. Thank you for passing this on.

Kelly Kelley

Julie Dahlgren

From: Andrew Harrod
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 1:01 PM
To: Julie Dahlgren
Subject: FW: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Andrew Harrod
Traffic Lieutenant
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From: Richard McQuillin [mailto:rmcquillin@mcqcorp.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 10:07 AM
To: Andrew Harrod
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Parking on City Streets

Hello, Andy:

Thanks for your interest in oversized vehicle parking.

Here on Tennyson Street we do experience this as a problem sometimes. Right now there is a motorboat with trailer that has been parked here for several weeks; most of the summer. It has Arizona license plates. I believe the owners use our street as their boat storage for the summer, rotating the boat weekly to avoid ticketing. We occasionally have moving vans or other trucks parked on our street for one or more nights. It can be unsightly and detrimental to our residential neighborhood.

Thank you,

Richard McQuillin
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rmcquillin@mcqcorp.com
310-374-7870 home
310-947-1759 cell

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October 21, 2010

Mr. Richard P. Montgomery
Mayor
Manhattan Beach City Hall
1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

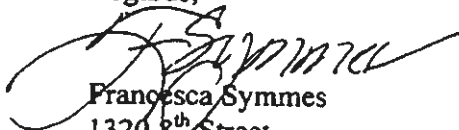
Mr. Montgomery,

I am writing to let you know that the proposed "solution" submitted by the PPIC group to "ban" RV's from our city of Manhattan Beach is absurd. What started out as a non-problem to begin with has gotten out of control. Correct me if I am mistaken, but this entire debacle regarding recreational vehicles was brought to the city's attention because a few people were concerned about safety around Manhattan Beach schools.

I am against the proposed solution offered by the PPIC. I have attended meetings and was outraged by the arrogant, off-handed manner of the people on the board as they gleefully laughed at proposed remedies. My husband and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 30 years. We have raised 3 children, worked, paid taxes, retired and have supported this City in many ways. To have someone be so cavalier regarding OUR retirement plans was outright insulting. We purchased our RV five (5) years ago and are extremely responsible owners as are most of us.

Please take our request into consideration when you meet to discuss this matter in the future.

Regards,



Francesca Symmes
1320 8th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
(310) 374-6237
fsvmmes@yahoo.com

City of Torrance - No Parking Sign



City of Rancho Palos Verdes - No Parking Sign



City of Bellflower - No Parking Sign





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Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Ward and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Richard Thompson, Interim City Manager

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police
Derrick Abell, Captain
Andy Harrod, Lieutenant
Julie Dahlgren, Management Analyst

DATE: March 2, 2010

SUBJECT: Discussion of Issues Associated with Oversized Vehicle Parking and Consideration of Alternatives Including Referring the Concept of Creating an Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program to the PPIC for Review and Recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council refer the concept of creating an oversized vehicle parking ordinance and permit program to PPIC for review and recommendation.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Completion of the oversized vehicle parking study will be funded through existing Department operating budgets. Depending on the course of action selected, there may be potential increases in general fund revenue, as well as additional costs for administration of the various programs or measures proposed. These revenues and costs will be evaluated and reported back to City Council at the conclusion of the study.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council, Police Department, and other members of City staff receive complaints about traffic and parking each year. The presence of oversized/recreational vehicles (including motorhomes, campers, boats, and trailers) is a recurring issue among these complaints. Concerns include safety issues, reducing visibility of drivers when backing out of driveways and entering intersections, child safety in reference to oversized vehicles parked near schools, loss of multiple parking spaces, and visual blight.

As part of the City Council Work Plan for FY 2009/2010, Council requested that staff study the feasibility and impact of prohibiting parking for "oversized vehicles" including RVs, trailers and boats throughout the City.

DISCUSSION:

Currently, existing MBMC regulations provide the City with the following enforcement capabilities regarding the parking of oversized/recreational vehicles and non-motorized vehicles upon City streets.

- MBMC 14.36.060 prohibits the use of streets for storage of vehicles; no vehicle shall be parked on any street or alley for more than 72 consecutive hours.
- MBMC 14.36.160 prohibits overnight camping; it is unlawful for a person to use or occupy any vehicle for human habitation, including but not limited to sleeping or eating on any street, alley, or parking lot between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- MBMC 5.28.130 prohibits trailers and camp cars from being parked on City streets for more than 24 consecutive hours. Camp car and or/trailer is defined as a unit used for living, sleeping, or business purposes which is equipped with wheels or similar devices used for the purpose of transporting the unit from place to place.

These municipal codes are difficult to enforce and require constant monitoring by Police staff to ensure that the vehicles are not exceeding the designated time limits. Vehicle owners are often aware of the 72-hour grace period and move the vehicle within that time period, sometimes only a few feet, and other times to the opposite side of the street or around the corner.

According to California Vehicle Code 22507, "local authorities may, by ordinance or resolution, prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles...on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day." Several cities in the Los Angeles area have implemented stricter regulations for oversized vehicles, including implementation of permit programs.

To gain a better understanding of the programs currently in place across the County, the Police Department conducted a survey of oversized vehicle parking restrictions implemented by other Los Angeles County cities. Of the 42 respondents, 30 cities have a way of preventing RV storage on city streets that goes beyond the code prohibiting seventy-two hour consecutive street parking. Of those 30 cities, 22 have implemented some form of RV parking permit programs, 7 do not allow overnight RV parking (typically from 2:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.) with very few exceptions, and one city limits RV street parking to only two hours.

Cities With RV Parking Permit Programs	
Absolutely No RV Parking At Any Time Without a Permit	Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Lakewood, Temple City, South Pasadena, Signal Hill
RV Loading/Unloading Allowed for Limited Period of Time Without Permit, Parking for Longer Period of Time Requires a Permit	Culver City, Hawthorne, Calabasas, Santa Clarita, Montebello, Lawndale, Bradbury, La Cañada Flintridge
Daytime RV parking Allowed Without a Permit, Permit Required for Overnight RV Parking	Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Bellflower, Glendora, San Marino, Alhambra, Claremont, San Dimas

Cities With Parking Restrictions that Impact RVs, But No RV Permit Program	
Daytime RV Parking Allowed, Absolutely No Overnight RV Parking	Beverly Hills, La Mirada, San Gabriel, Duarte, Whittier, Cerritos, Sierra Madre
RV Parking Allowed for Limited Time	Inglewood

The remaining respondents (El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, La Verne, Downey, Rosemead, South El Monte, Monrovia, Compton, Artesia, Norwalk, and Palmdale) do not have ordinances prohibiting parking beyond the typical 72-hour restriction.

According to the State Department of Motor Vehicles, there are 166 Motorhomes registered to Manhattan Beach addresses. An informal study conducted by Police Department personnel and volunteers indicate that there are typically approximately 30 Motorhomes/RVs parked on Manhattan Beach streets, primarily in the areas of Pacific School, Grand View School/Sand Dune Park, Parkview Avenue/Marriot Golf Course, and Liberty Village. Of the 30 RVs found on City streets during the informal drive-by survey, all but two were registered to Manhattan Beach addresses (the two not registered in Manhattan Beach appeared to be out-of-town guests).

It is recommended that City Council refer the issue of oversized vehicle parking to the PPIC for further study and to report back to City Council. The PPIC should seek community input and consider the following issues in making their recommendation:

- What is the City's definition of an "oversized" vehicle (i.e. determined by height, width, or length, or by vehicle classification - motorhome, trailer, boat, camper, etc.)
- What parking time limits for oversized vehicles should be considered (including the possibility of overnight restrictions)
- If implementing an oversized vehicle permit program, what information will be required to obtain a permit (i.e. owner information, proof of residency, emergency contact, proof of current vehicle insurance, etc.)
- Will there be fees associated with the permit program
- Will there be a maximum number of days allowed for oversized vehicle parking
- Will permit require parking in proximity to one's residence
- Will stricter oversized vehicle parking restrictions be imposed in designated areas (i.e. around schools, or near intersections)
- How will guests with oversized vehicles be accommodated (i.e. temporary parking permits for visitors)
- What are the expected impacts to residents who own oversized/recreational vehicles
- Will non-motorized vehicles be included in the ordinance (i.e. recreational or utility trailers or boats not attached to a motorized vehicle)

The study will be coordinated by the Police Department and will require input from the City Attorney's Office, Community Development Department, Public Works Department, and the Finance Department.

CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 2, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 2nd day of March, 2010, at the hour of 6:36 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, at 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City. A full video of this City Council meeting can be accessed online at www.citymb.info.

PLEDGE TO FLAG

Brian Chen, a senior at Mira Costa High School, led the pledge of allegiance.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

03/02/10-1. Presentation of the "Person of the Month" Award to Rotary Manhattan Beach President Jan Rhees

Mayor Ward introduced **Jan Rhees, President of Manhattan Beach Rotary**, and presented her with a commendation naming her the "Person of the Month" for her distinguished service to the community.

03/02/10-2. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March 1 through March 7, 2010 as Peace Corps Week

Mayor Ward, on behalf of the Council, presented a proclamation to **Johann D'Agostino** and declared March 1 through March 7, 2010 as "Peace Corps Week."

03/02/10-3. Presentation of a Commendation Recognizing the Mira Costa Football Team on Their CIF Southern Section Football Championship

Mayor Ward, on behalf of the Council, presented a commendation to **Mira Costa High School's Vice President/Director of Athletics Paula Spence, Coach Don Morrow, Assistant Coach Ray Lee** and 10 football captains and seniors recognizing the Mira Costa Football Team on their CIF Southern Section Football Championship.

ROLL CALL

Present: Tell, Powell, Cohen, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Absent: None.
Clerk: Tamura.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar (Item Nos. 4 through 10), consisting of items under *General Consent* and *Boards and Commissions*, was approved by motion of Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Tell and passed by unanimous roll call vote with the exception of Item Nos. 7 and 9 which were considered later in the meeting under "*Items Removed from the Consent Calendar*".

Ayes: Tell, Powell, Cohen, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Noes: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

GENERAL CONSENT

03/02/10-4. Approve Minutes of the City Council Adjourned Regular and Regular Meeting of February 16, 2010

The Council continued the subject minutes to the March 16, 2010 City Council meeting.

03/02/10-5. Consideration of a Resolution Adopting a Revised Bail Schedule for Violations of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code

The Council adopted Resolution No. 6247.

03/02/10-6. Consideration of Financial Reports:

a) Ratification of Demands: February 18, 2010.

b) Financial Reports for the Month Ending January 31, 2010

The Council approved with no exception Warrant Register No. 18B in the amount of \$3,485,031.75 in payment of ratification of demands and claims as prepared by the Director of Finance, together with the original demands and claims as prepared by said Warrant Register and received and filed the Financial Reports for the month ending January 31, 2010.

03/02/10-7. Consideration of Approval for a Telecommunications Permit and a Lease for the Installation of a New Telecommunications Facility at 1601 Valley Drive-Live Oak Park (Dorsey Field)

Item No. 7 was pulled from the "CONSENT CALENDAR". Please refer to "ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR."

03/02/10-8. Disbursement of Progress Payment No. 2 in the Net Amount of \$15,737.21 to Atom Engineering Construction for the City Yard Fuel Island Cover Project

The Council approved the issuance of the subject progress payment.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Parks and Recreation Commission

03/02/10-9. Consideration of Draft Minutes, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of February 22, 2010

Item No. 9 was pulled from the "CONSENT CALENDAR". Please refer to "ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR."

Planning Commission

03/02/10-10. Consideration of Action Minutes, Planning Commission Meeting of February 24, 2010

The Council received and filed the subject action minutes.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

03/02/10-17. Christopher Godfrey Re Leadership Manhattan Beach Fundraiser

Leadership Manhattan Beach 2010 Participant, Christopher Godfrey, announced the 2010 "Signs of the Sea" fundraiser on March 24, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. He explained that the cost is \$25.00; that proceeds will go to the rehabilitation of the Roundhouse Aquarium; and that more information is available at www.signsofthesea.com.

03/02/10-18. Don Gould Re Upcoming Library Events

Los Angeles County Librarian Don Gould shared information about upcoming events at the Manhattan Beach Library.

03/02/10-19. Councilmember Montgomery Re USA Hockey Team

Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery announced that the City Council will honor three USA hockey team members, who are also LA Kings and Manhattan Beach residents, at a Council meeting in the near future.

03/02/10-20. Councilmember Powell Re Mira Costa Rally

Councilmember Powell announced that Mira Costa High School will hold two rallies on March 4, 2010 (7:15 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.) to bring awareness to budget cut backs and unfunded mandates. Councilmember Powell encouraged everyone to come out and support the Manhattan Beach schools by attending.

03/02/10-21. Mayor Ward Re Coffee with the Mayor

Mayor Ward thanked residents who attended his "Coffee with the Mayor" on Tuesdays from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Manhattan Bread and Bagel (1812 N. Sepulveda). He announced that he would "tweet" if he is running late and that the public can follow him on Twitter: @MayorMitchWard.

03/02/10-22. Assistant to the City Manager Coe-Juell Re Centennial Celebration Committee

Assistant to the City Manager Lindy Coe-Juell announced that the City is seeking residents interested in helping plan for the centennial celebration which will take place in 2012. She encouraged those interested to fill out an application which is available on the City's website: www.citymb.info.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

03/02/10-23. Michelle Murphy Re Undergrounding

Michelle Murphy, No Address Provided, shared her frustrations with the continuation of Utility Undergrounding Districts 12 and 14.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

03/02/10-11. Consideration of Finance Subcommittee Recommendation to Introduce an Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.36 – Purchasing - of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Including Informal Bid Limit and Emergency Procurement Policy

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and Finance Director Bruce Moe and Purchasing Manager Gwen Eng provided a PowerPoint presentation.

There were no requests to speak on this item.

City Attorney Robert Wadden read aloud the title of Ordinance No. 2132.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2132. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Powell and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote.

Ayes: Tell, Powell, Cohen, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

03/02/10-12. Discussion of Issues Associated with Oversized Vehicle Parking and Consideration of Alternatives Including Referring the Concept of Creating an Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) for Review and Recommendation

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and Police Chief Rod Uyeda and Police Lieutenant Andy Harrod provided a PowerPoint presentation.

The following individual spoke on this item:

- **Eileen Martin, 300 Block of 31st Street, Hermosa Beach**

MOTION: Mayor Ward moved to approve referring the concept of creating an Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission for review and recommendation.

Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

03/02/10-13. Consideration of a Request from the Los Angeles County Librarian Regarding Continuation of the Library Renovation Process Including the Implementation of a Request for Proposal Process (RFP) for an Architect Which will be Paid Out of the Excess Library Services Property Tax Funds and the Formation of a City Council Subcommittee to Oversee the Project

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and Parks and Recreation Director Richard Gill and Los Angeles County Librarian Margaret Todd and Los Angeles County Interim Assistant Director Jim Allen provided the staff presentation.

There were no requests to speak on this item.

MOTION: Mayor Ward moved to approve and allow the Los Angeles County Librarian to continue the Library renovation process including the implementation of a Request for Proposal process (RFP) for an architect which will be paid out of the excess library services property tax funds and approve the appointment of Councilmembers Tell and Cohen to the formation of a City Council Subcommittee to oversee the project. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote.

Ayes: Tell, Powell, Cohen, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

At 8:03 p.m. the Council recessed and reconvened at 8:16 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

03/02/10-14. Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Citywide Speed Limits Pursuant to the 2009 Engineering and Traffic Survey

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and Traffic Engineer Erik Zandvliet provided a PowerPoint presentation.

The following individuals spoke on this item:

- **Fred Minagar, President, Minagar & Associates**
- **Esther Besbris, No Address Provided**
- **Don McPherson, 1000 Block of 1st Street**

City Attorney Robert Wadden read aloud the title of Ordinance No. 2133.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2133. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tell and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote.

Ayes: Tell, Powell, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Noes: Cohen.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

03/02/10-15. Presentation by Southern California Edison of their Work Program Relating to Manhattan Beach

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and **Southern California Edison Regional Manger of Public Affairs Scott Gobble** provided a PowerPoint presentation.

There were no requests to speak on this item.

MOTION: Mayor Ward moved to receive and file the subject presentation.

Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

03/02/10-7. Consideration of Approval for a Telecommunications Permit and a Lease for the Installation of a New Telecommunications Facility at 1601 Valley Drive-Live Oak Park (Dorsey Field)

A member of the audience pulled this item from the Consent Calendar for Council discussion.

The following individual spoken on this item:

- Don McPherson, No Address Provided
- Justin Robbins, Verizon Wireless

Mayor Ward introduced the subject item and Interim Community Development Director Laurie Jester and Finance Director Bruce Moe answered questions.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery moved to approve the subject Telecom ground lease agreement and approve authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement with Verizon Wireless, as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Powell and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Tell, Powell, Cohen, Montgomery and Mayor Ward.
Noes: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

03/02/10-9. Consideration of Draft Minutes, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of February 22, 2010

Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery explained that he pulled this item because the Parks and Recreation Commission changed the scope of what Council directed them to do.

Interim City Manager Richard Thompson and Parks and Recreation Director Richard Gill answered questions.

MOTION: Mayor Ward moved to receive and file the subject draft minutes and directed staff to ask the Manhattan Beach Little League to return to Council with a revised proposal for the commemorative wall/walk (if the proposal is different than what Council approved).

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS, COMMITTEE AND TRAVEL REPORTS

03/02/10-16. Request by Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery to Consider Amending the City Council Assignments by Appointing a New Alternate to the Chamber of Commerce

Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery requested that he be removed as the Alternate to the Chamber of Commerce (COC) City Council Assignment because of scheduling conflicts.

After lengthy discussion, it was decided that Councilmembers Cohen and Powell will share the Council Assignment to serve as delegates to the Chamber of Commerce (COC); that they will attend the meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month (Cohen on even numbered months and Powell on odd numbered months); and that the update to the COC would be verbal, and not written.

Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

CITY MANAGER REPORT(S)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:28 p.m. the Regular City Council meeting of March 2, 2010, was duly adjourned, in memory of Mary Pat Dorr and Julia Tedesco, to the 5:30 p.m. Adjourned Regular Meeting to be followed by the 6:30 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2010, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

Liza Tamura
Recording Secretary

Mitch Ward
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Parking and Public Improvements Commission

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police *RU*
Laurie Jester, Acting Director of Community Development *LJ*
Derrick Abell, Captain *DA*
Andy Harrod, Lieutenant *AH*
Julie Dahlgren, Management Analyst *JD*

DATE: April 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Consideration of City Wide Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) conduct a public meeting and make a recommendation to City Council regarding creation of a City wide oversized vehicle parking ordinance and a parking permit program.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council, Police Department, and other members of City staff receive complaints about traffic and parking each year. The presence of oversized/recreational vehicles (including motorhomes, campers, boats, and trailers) is a recurring issue among these complaints. Concerns include safety issues, reduced visibility of drivers when backing out of driveways and entering intersections, child safety in reference to oversized vehicles parked near schools, loss of multiple parking spaces, and visual blight.

As part of the City Council Work Plan for FY 2009/2010, Council requested that staff study the feasibility and impact of prohibiting parking for "oversized vehicles" including RVs, trailers and boats throughout the City.

On March 2, 2010, staff presented City Council with a brief overview of actions taken by other cities to manage oversized vehicle parking and provided results of an informal drive-around survey of oversized vehicle parking on Manhattan Beach streets. City Council approved referring the concept of creating an Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program to PPIC for review and recommendation.

A public notice was published in the April 15, 2010 edition of *The Beach Reporter* (Exhibit D) to ensure that interested parties would receive notification of this public meeting and be able to discuss this matter and provide comments.

DISCUSSION:

Existing Conditions

Currently, existing Manhattan Beach Municipal Code (MBMC) regulations provide the City with the following enforcement capabilities regarding the parking of oversized/recreational vehicles and non-motorized vehicles upon City streets.

- MBMC 14.36.060 prohibits the use of streets for storage of vehicles; no vehicle shall be parked on any street or alley for more than 72 consecutive hours.
- MBMC 14.36.160 prohibits overnight camping; it is unlawful for a person to use or occupy any vehicle for human habitation, including but not limited to sleeping or eating on any street, alley, or parking lot between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- MBMC 5.28.130 prohibits trailers and camp cars from being parked on City streets for more than 24 consecutive hours. Camp car and/or trailer is defined as a unit used for living, sleeping, or business purposes which is equipped with wheels or similar devices used for the purpose of transporting the unit from place to place.

These municipal codes are difficult to enforce and require constant monitoring by Police staff to ensure that the vehicles are not exceeding the designated time limits. Vehicle owners are often aware of the 72-hour grace period and move the vehicle within that time period, sometimes only a few feet, and other times to the opposite side of the street or around the corner.

Oversized Vehicle Parking Restrictions Adopted by Other Cities

According to California Vehicle Code 22507, "local authorities may, by ordinance or resolution, prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles...on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day." Several cities in the Los Angeles area have implemented stricter regulations for oversized vehicles, including implementation of permit programs.

To gain a better understanding of the programs currently in place across the County, the Police Department conducted a survey of oversized vehicle parking restrictions implemented by other Los Angeles County cities. Of the 42 respondents, 30 cities have a way of preventing RV storage on city streets that goes beyond the code prohibiting seventy-two hour consecutive street parking. Of those 30 cities, 22 have implemented some form of RV parking permit programs, 7 do not allow overnight RV parking (typically from 2:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.) with very few exceptions, and one city limits RV street parking to only two hours.

Cities With RV Parking Permit Programs	
Absolutely No RV Parking At Any Time Without a Permit	Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Lakewood, Temple City, South Pasadena, Signal Hill
RV Loading/Unloading Allowed for Limited Period of Time Without Permit, Parking for Longer Period of Time Requires a Permit	Culver City, Hawthorne, Calabasas, Santa Clarita, Montebello, Lawndale, Bradbury, La Cañada Flintridge
Daytime RV parking Allowed Without a Permit, Permit Required for Overnight RV Parking	Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Bellflower, Glendora, San Marino, Alhambra, Claremont, San Dimas

Cities With Parking Restrictions that Impact RVs, But No RV Permit Program	
Daytime RV Parking Allowed, Absolutely No Overnight RV Parking	Beverly Hills, La Mirada, San Gabriel, Duarte, Whittier, Cerritos, Sierra Madre
RV Parking Allowed for Limited Time	Inglewood

The remaining respondents (El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, La Verne, Downey, Rosemead, South El Monte, Monrovia, Compton, Artesia, Norwalk, and Palmdale) do not have ordinances prohibiting parking beyond the typical 72-hour restriction.

Oversized Vehicles in Manhattan Beach

According to the State Department of Motor Vehicles, there are 166 Motorhomes registered to Manhattan Beach addresses. An informal study conducted by Police Department personnel and volunteers indicate that there are typically approximately 30+ Motorhomes/RVs and Boats parked on Manhattan Beach streets, primarily in the areas of Pacific School, Grand View School/Sand Dune Park, Parkview Avenue/Marriot Golf Course, Live Oak Park and Liberty Village. Of the 30+ RVs found on City streets during the informal drive-by survey, all but two were registered to Manhattan Beach addresses (the two not registered in Manhattan Beach appeared to be out-of-town guests).

Issues for Consideration

It is recommended that PPIC discuss the issue of oversized vehicle parking within the community, review the attached oversized vehicle parking ordinances from Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, and Lakewood (Exhibits A, B, & C), provide recommendations for a Manhattan Beach Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit Program, and forward recommendations to City Council for approval. The PPIC should seek community input and consider the following issues in making their recommendations:

- How will the City define an "oversized" vehicle (i.e. determined by height, width, or length, or by vehicle classification - motorhome, trailer, boat, camper, etc.)
- What parking time limits for oversized vehicles should be considered (including the possibility of overnight restrictions)
- If implementing an oversized vehicle permit program, what information will be required to obtain a permit (i.e. owner information, proof of residency, emergency contact, proof of current vehicle insurance, etc.)
- Will there be fees associated with the permit program, to subsidize the program
- Will there be a maximum number of days allowed for oversized vehicle parking
- Will permit require parking in proximity to one's residence
- Will stricter oversized vehicle parking restrictions be imposed in designated areas (i.e. around schools, or near intersections)

- How will guests with oversized vehicles be accommodated (i.e. temporary parking permits for visitors)
- What are the expected impacts to residents who own oversized/recreational vehicles
- Non-motorized vehicles should be included in the ordinance (i.e. recreational or utility trailers or boats attached or not to a motorized vehicle) regarding temporary parking
- Enforcement actions to be taken by the Police Department when an oversized vehicle, trailer or boat is found parked in violation of the ordinance. The enforcement action should include an immediate parking citation and/or the immediate removal if a Police Officer or Parking Officer determines the oversized vehicle or trailer is posing an immediate danger to the public health and safety.

Next Steps

PPIC's recommendation related to the proposed Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit program will be forwarded to the City Council for approval and further direction. The Police Department will coordinate the establishment of the permit program and will solicit feedback from the City Attorney's Office, Community Development Department, Public Works Department, and the Finance Department, as needed.

Exhibits:

- A. Copy of the oversized vehicle ordinance from the City of Torrance
- B. Copy of the oversized vehicle ordinance from the City of Rancho Palos Verdes
- C. Copy of the oversized vehicle ordinance from the City of Lakewood
- D. Public Notice

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 22, 2010**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Parking and Public Improvements Commission of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 22nd day of April, 2010, at the hour of 6:34 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Adami, Stabile, Silverman and Chairman Gross.
Absent: Vigon.
Staff Present: Management Analyst Madrid, Lt. Harrod and Sgt. Mason.
Clerk: Schilling.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

04/22/10-1 February 25, 2010

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Adami/Silverman) to approve the minutes of February 25, 2010. Commissioner Stabile abstained.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

04/22/10-2 Review of Proposed 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Plan

Management Analyst Madrid introduced the item.

Director of Public Works Jim Arndt gave a brief overview about the improvements made in the City's infrastructure during the last year regarding the upgrade in sewer and water mains. He also addressed the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) that would be considered in the 2010-2011 fiscal year and how the limited City budget would impact these projects.

Though City Council did approve the Facilities and Strategic Plan in 2008, the project has been shelved due to lack of funds. However there are buildings that are in desperate need of repair now that replacement is currently not an option.

A number of the projects are driven by the recently conducted City Energy Audit. The City has a strong commitment to going Green and many of these projects will not only save money in the long run but decrease our carbon footprint.

Director Arndt spoke of the deficiency in funds for road projects and the challenges the City is facing overall in the budget process.

Chairman Gross asked Director Arndt for clarification of the PPIC role. Director Arndt explained that it was the Commission's job to address different issues and provide comments to the City Council unlike the Planning Commission who could actually regulate and make decisions.

Director Arndt introduced City Engineer Steve Finton who prepared a power point presentation for the meeting giving the Commissioners an over view of what CIP projects were in the works, which had been completed and which projects they hoped to complete in the coming fiscal year. City Engineer Finton also spoke about the funding for each of these projects.

Engineer Finton stated that the City had spend \$2.3 million for the completion of road projects this past year; Aviation, Valley, Peck between Artesia and Manhattan Beach Blvd. These projects were partially funded by stimulus monies.

The following is a list of projects the City would like to address in the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

- The Highland project currently in progress will be completed by May 21st in its entirety; this includes the paving and new crosswalks.
- They have run into a few problems with replacing the sewer line on 13th near Uncle Bills due to the sand, but the project is progressing.
- Erosion control project at is to begin in two – three weeks at the Live Oak tennis courts and the Strand.
- After conducting a thorough video investigation of the City sewer/water mains, many of which are at least 80 years old, construction has begun to replace water mains on ten streets.
- Installation of a canopy over the fuel island at the Public Works yard, this is a requirement of the State.
- Design pedestrian improvements around schools.

- Pre-designed Sepulveda Bridge widening and add fourth lane to the East bound traffic, the Strand stairs and dual left hand turn lanes at Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Sepulveda.

Proposed projects for the next fiscal year are estimated to cost \$8.4 million and include the following:

- Continue upgrading sewer and water mains.
- Installation of a covering for the Police Department SWAT vehicle.
- A number of projects resulting from the City Energy Audit include;
 - New HVAC for City Hall, Heights and Joslyn

Commissioner Silverman asked about the pay back on these high dollar amount HVAC systems. Chair Gross asked about the condition of the existing units and Commissioner Adami asked if there was any grant of stimulus funds available for these projects. There was some discussion among the Commissioners and City Engineer Finton regarding these projects and the fact that it would take between three and fifteen years to see pay back, (based on specific projects) and that the installation of the new HVAC units were identified as the #1 priority from the City Energy Audit.

Director Arndt also spoke to these concerns stating that there was some life left in some units but not much and the new units were energy savers as well as being more efficient. He also noted that there are funds in the General Fund to cover the cost of these items if City Council approves them.

City Engineer Finton continued his presentation on CIP projects for the next fiscal year:

- Installation of automated parking meters to replace the 1700 currently in place throughout the City.

This item initiated discussion among the Commissioners and Director Arndt regarding the financing of the project as there is not enough funds in the parking account to cover the cost, the suggestion of Finance Director Bruce Moe to take a short term loan out to finance the project and the response from the Downtown Business and Professionals Association about the installation of the new meters.

- Pier Condition Assessment – nothing wrong has been noted but the pier hasn't been inspected since the 90's.
- Trash enclosures to be installed throughout the City and sewer connections to be installed at each enclosure, this will be funded by refuse funds.

- Street projects – ongoing to maintain street conditions. Application of slurry seal.
- Upgrade street drainage at Ardmore/Valley including the installation of pervious pavement to prevent run off.
- Sewer projects – Capital funding for the design and construction of the gravity main, installation of fiber optics (redundant to the existing radio connection to prevent a major sewer leakage), replace current lease line.

There were questions raised by Chair Gross and Commissioner Adami regarding the preventative measures put in place to avoid a major sewer spill, (similar to the one in LA County last year) and the presence of an alarm system that would notify staff 24/7 of any problem without a person being on site. The Commission also asked if there was any concern about Council approving these projects. City Engineer Finton and Director Arndt indicated the projects were reviewed by City Council during the Master Plan and rate increase discussions.

- The Pacific Avenue Water Main replacement will be coordinated with the project to repave Pacific Avenue. A new circulation line will be installed on Artesia and design and maintenance of a booster pump and fiber optic improvements will be implemented.

Chair Gross commended staff on completing and initiating the CIP projects mentioned. He also thanked them for their hard work in researching and finding grant and stimulus funds to aid in the costs of these projects and for their part in getting Council to approve the projects.

- There is a substantial financial savings to the City by installing the new sewer line now.
- The City has been awarded a \$500 thousand grant to install a filtration system at 1st Street and the green belt.

Audience Participation

Chair Gross opened the item to public comment at 7:15 p.m. The Following person spoke on this item:

Gary Osterhout, 598 31st Street, expressed his desire to have a citizen oversight committee as part of the PPIC Commission. He contended that general funds are not usually used for the maintenance and upgrades of sewers and roads. He would like to see the numbers from the gas tax and why there aren't enough funds from that to support the road improvements. Mr. Osterhout also shared his concerns about the facilities in the City that are in desperate need of repair such as Begg Pool and why the City can't find the funds to construct a Skate Park. He suggested that Council and staff

don't really look at what the City needs. That the CIP funds are based on a policy established in 2004 with no increase since that time. He also requested that the City Energy Audit be put on the City website. Mr. Osterhout stated that he didn't like the way the City did their CIP's. He also suggested that they go out for a bond to cover the cost of repair of items such as Joslyn auditorium, Begg pool and a Skate Park.

Staff acknowledged Mr. Osterhout's request to place the City Energy Audit on the website and requested staff to follow-up on this request.

Chair Gross closed public comments at 7:25 p.m.

Discussion

There was a lengthy discussion among the Commissioners regarding the CIP projects. Chairman Gross expressed his concern for lack of funds for items such as sewer and water lines which take high priority in his opinion. He reiterated the fact the job of the Commission is to provide comments to City Council but that Council is the one that makes the decisions.

Commissioners Silverman and Adami both agreed that Mr. Osterhout brought up points that have some merit. They also liked the idea of a citizen oversight committee. They both would like to see an advisory committee who had some input on the CIP's, priorities and impact on environmental issues.

Commissioner Silverman suggested that the Commission could make a motion to create a committee tonight.

Commissioner Stabile and Chair Gross expressed concern over the direction of the CIP and how projects are prioritized.

Director Arndt addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns about the implementation of a citizen oversight committee. He pointed out that in 2004 the City had an excess of dollars to fund CIP's. However there are limited funds now so project selection is based on need and the results from the City Energy Audit. Director Arndt stated that though the FSP plans have been put on hold due to lack of funds, there is a \$50,000 remodel in the works for Joslyn auditorium and a \$50,000 upgrade to the lockers at Begg pool.

Commissioner Adami asked staff to contact Mr. Osterhout and get his notes on the items mentioned during the public hearing

Commissioners Adami and Stabile agreed that the CIP document was too involved to address in one meeting especially since they had only received it a few days before. They both would like to have more time to review the proposed CIP projects.

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Adami/Silverman) to present the following recommendation to City Council that they create a citizen advisory committee.

Commissioner Stabile would like more discussion on this item. He doesn't feel prepared to support this concept now.

Chair Gross stated once more that the PPIC Commission doesn't make decisions.

Commissioner Stabile felt that another layer of bureaucracy wasn't the answer. They just need more time to do their job.

Commissioner Silverman withdrew his second to Commissioner Adami's motion and would like to recommend a Study Session for the CIP projects which would include residents input.

Commissioners, Adami, Stabile and Gross would like City Council to better define their role and provide them with a more active one, beyond the scope of making comments.

Chair Gross requested that Staff return to the Commission with a better defined role that would provide them the ability to work with the City Manager and City Council in the form of a motion that they could present to Council for consideration.

The original motion presented by Commissioner Adami was voted on:

AYES: Adami.
NOES: Gross, Silverman and Stabile.
ABSENT: Vigon.
ABSTAIN: None.

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Stabile/Silverman) to present the recommendation to Council to expand the role of the PPIC to include a more active role in the CIP process, and possibly create a sub-committee for review of the CIP, invite public comment and provide recommendations to City Council regarding CIP projects.

AYES: Gross, Silverman, Adami, and Stabile.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: Vigon.
ABSTAIN: None.

04/22/10-3 Request for Installation of a New Utility Pole at 108 Ardmore Avenue

Management Analyst Madrid introduced Senior Civil Engineer Gilbert Gamboa to present this item.

Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa explained that Verizon has approached the City requesting that they be permitted to install a 25 foot utility pole at 108 Ardmore. The cost of the project would be assumed by Verizon, giving Edison the right to use the pole and again with no cost to the City or the resident at 108 Ardmore. As part of District 2 undergrounding, the pole at 2nd and Ardmore would be removed along Time Warner's fiber optic cable. However the new property owners at 801 First Street objected to the installation of the new pole based on the fact that a riser pole is already in front of their property and if approved the new Verizon utility pole would border the other side of their property and obstruct the views they currently have. Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa continued with his presentation noting the alternatives and impacts the installation of this pole would have on the residents.

Upon conclusion Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa recommended that the PPIC support Verizon's request and present to Council for approval.

A lengthy discussion followed between the Commissioners and Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa regarding possible alternatives for the installation of the pole at 108 Ardmore that Verizon might be willing to consider.

Chair Gross expressed his opposition to adding any additional poles to the Cityscape and recommended that they remove the existing pole in front of the property at 801 1st Street if they install a pole at 108 Ardmore.

Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa declared that City Resolution 5538 approved by City Council in 2000, specifically states that the relocation of poles for view or aesthetic reasons for private property owners is prohibited.

The Commissioners asked Dan Hayes, Engineer for Verizon to approach the podium and address some of their concerns. In answer to some of the Commissioners questions, Verizon Engineer Hayes stated that they are governed by the Public Utilities Commission which puts restrictions on what they are allowed to do regarding such things as pole height and location of their wires.

The Commission asked if Verizon would be willing to work with the resident at 801 1st Street and assist in the cost of possibly undergrounding the wires to their neighbor's property to prevent the obstruction of their view. The Commission suggested that Verizon contribute the amount that they would spend on the installation of the pole to the homeowner.

Audience Participation

Chair Gross opened the item to public comment at 8:10 p.m. The Following person spoke on this item:

Paul DiMartini, 801 1st Street, expressed his opposition to the installation of another pole in front of his property or his neighbor's property. He shared several photos showing where the new pole would be where the existing pole is and the impact it would have on their home and view. He suggested that Verizon work with the Undergrounding District #2 which borders the property at 108 Ardmore and possibly work with Southern California Edison to underground the services to the property.

Chair Gross closed public comments at 8:20 p.m.

Discussion

A discussion ensued between the Commissioners and the Verizon Engineer addressing several issues concerning temporary easements, possible violations of the PUC with placement of the pole, the possibility of leaving in place a service drop cutting across the property of one homeowner to feed service to another.

Commissioner Stabile stated that the options are few and lousy. He is opposed to the installation of more poles and additional costs to homeowners.

Commissioners Adami/Silverman agreed with Commissioner Stables remarks.

Commissioner Silverman asked if there were any contingency funds left in District 2. In answer to his question, Senior Civil Engineer Gamboa stated that there are funds but anything remaining is returned to District 2 residents.

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Gross/Stabile) to deny Verizon's request to install a pole at 108 Ardmore.

AYES: Gross, Silverman, Adami, and Stabile.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: Vigon.
ABSTAIN: None.

Commissioner Stabile asked to amend the motion and direct Staff to work with Verizon to come up with an alternate solution. Commissioner Adami agreed with Commissioner Stabile. Staff agreed to work with Verizon.

After further discussion Commissioner Stabile withdrew his amendment to the motion.

Chair Gross commended City Engineer Finton on his CIP presentation.

Chairman Gross announced a brief recess at 8:34 p.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

04/22/10-4 Consideration of City Wide Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program

Management Analyst Madrid introduced the item.

Lieutenant Andy Harrod presented this item to the Commission. He noted that there had been concerns brought to City Council and the Police Department addressing the parking of oversized vehicles, trailers, RV's and boats on City streets. Folks are concerned about safety, visibility, child safety, loss of parking around the schools for parents (there seems to be quite a number of RV's parked around the schools) and visual blight as some of these vehicles are unsightly.

Lieutenant Harrod stated that this was an item that Council had brought up at the 2009-2010 Work Plan Meeting. A presentation was provided to Council at the March 2nd Council meeting showing an overview of what other cities are doing to mitigate this problem. City Council had requested that other cities be surveyed in Los Angeles County, three cities (out of the 42 surveyed) and the ordinances they had adopted were included in the report.

At the present time there are three ordinances in the City's tool box that can be used to enforce the parking of oversize vehicles on the City streets;

- 72 hour parking limit
- Prohibition of overnight camping from 10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
- Prohibition of campers parking for 24 consecutive hours.

Lieutenant Harrod recommended a permit program that would allow the City to track the number of RV, unattached trailers, boats, etc. in the City, limit time they can park on the street, perhaps designate areas where they can park and restrict areas where they would prohibit parking due to safety concerns such as parking near schools and intersections. A permit system would also provide the police with information such as the name of owner, contact information, insurance information, etc.

Lieutenant Harrod also pointed out that there has not been any type of significant crime reported regarding these RV's parked on the street. Presently he stated that there are 166 registered RV's in the City, (this doesn't include boats or trailers) and 30 that are routinely parked on the street.

There was some discussion among the Commissioners and Lieutenant Harrod as to if and where there may be some area in the City that could be designated as RV parking. Perhaps a place where the City can charge a fee for RV owners to park their vehicles.

Commissioner Stabile recommended that the City pass an ordinance regarding parking RV's, trailers, oversized vehicles and boats on the streets which the police could enforce and therefore resolve the existing problems.

Lieutenant Harrod would like to see an ordinance drafted that would be fair to all.

Commissioner Adami suggested that the parking lot off Peck at the Manhattan Beach Unified School District could be used and a fee charged that the schools could benefit from.

More discussion followed among the Commissioners and Lieutenant Harrod about the size of the vehicles. Currently Torrance considers any vehicle over 20 feet long, seven feet wide and eight feet high to be oversized.

Commissioner Gross would like the intent of the ordinance to limit parking of RV's on the street to two hours for loading and unloading.

Audience Participation

Chair Gross opened the item to public comment at 9:22 p.m. The Following person spoke on this item:

Steve De Baets, 1350 18th Street, shared his opposition to the permit program, he feels that he already pays a registration fee to the State that allows him to park his RV on the street for two consecutive days to load and unload his vehicle. He currently stores his RV but he and his wife use it a couple times a month and would not want to be fined for parking it on the street those couple days while he prepares or returns from a trip. Mr. De Baets also expressed his confusion as to why police is unable to enforce the laws and keep the RV's from parking on the street continuously.

Aileen Martin, Hermosa Beach, spoke of her opposition to RV parking on City streets. She had safety concerns for children and lack of visibility as well as taking up valuable parking space. Ms. Martin opposes the permit program.

Lieutenant Harrod elaborated on the permit program that the City of Torrance adopted.

- RV owners are permitted to park on City streets 96 times per year. There is a \$25 yearly registration fee, and permits cost \$20 for 24 one day parking permits, which can be used to load and unload your vehicle.
- Allows guest vehicles to stay for 14 consecutive days.

Commissioner Stabile would like to know the cost to the City to implement a permit process.

Steven Robins, 1805 Herrin Avenue, thanked Commissioner Silverman for his efforts to be fair to RV owners.

Stephanie Monash, 1805 Herrin Avenue, an RV owner who currently parks their RV in front of their home. In an effort to be courteous to their neighbors they have approached them about their RV being parked on the street and have yet to have a neighbor complain. She is not opposed to a permit program but doesn't want to have to give up their RV which would happen if they were forced to pay storage fees amounting to more than \$1200 annually.

Joana Gallo Marsteller, 758 26th Street, is concerned about the RV's that park in front of her home as they cause a safety issue, blocking visibility while exiting or entering her drive way. Palos Verdes has an ordinance which requires RV owners to have their neighbors sign off on their parking their RV in front of their home.

Chair Gross closed public comments at 9:50 p.m.

A discussion among Commissioners followed public comment. Commissioner Silverman said it only takes one bad guy to ruin it for the rest. He stated that the responsible RV owners shouldn't be penalized. He would like to try and find a way that would teach those who violate their neighbors how to be more respectful and considerate.

Commissioner Adami asked if limousines were included in the oversized vehicle category.

Commissioner Stabile had a number of concerns about the issues with oversized vehicles parking on City streets. He would like Staff to create an ordinance that was fair. He is opposed to the banning of RV's completely in the City as Torrance has done. Commissioner Stabile would like to address the long term parking of boats, trailers, RV's etc. parked on the City streets. He would like to investigate the complexities of City permits, the cost of implementing the program and the cost imposed on residents. He feels the City is not in a position financially to take on a program that would increase costs to the City. Commissioner Stabile admitted to having a difficult time reconciling the issue of those RV owners who are respectful of their neighbors and those who are not. He also expressed his concern over the difficulty of crafting an ordinance that would permit ease of enforcement by the Police Department and one that would be fair to RV owners.

Chair Gross pointed out that there was less than a quarter of registered RV owners who were the cause of the complaints received by City Council and the police department. (166 registered owners and 30 vehicles that consistently park on the street.) He expressed an interest in the permit program but had several questions as to what it might include such as:

- Would it require owners of oversized vehicles to store their vehicles as opposed to parking them on the street?
- How many days per year would it permit oversized vehicles to park on the street.
- Would a permit program assist in enforcing an ordinance?
- Safety and visibility issues need to be addressed.
- Would 5th wheelers be classified in this group?
- What would the restrictions be on vehicles parked awaiting repairs?
- How long could visiting RV's park on the street?
- What about rented RV's; couldn't be registered, how long could you park on street to load and unload?
- How do you distinguish between commercial vehicles and recreational vehicles?

Commissioner Adami understands that Council would like to see two issues addressed; parking oversized vehicles on streets and a permit program. He feels that the streets west of Sepulveda are narrower than those east of Sepulveda. He is OK with the 72 hour parking restriction and again mentioned the use of the parking lot on Peck at the Manhattan Beach Unified School District.

The commission agreed that the items discussed in the Staff report would not be resolved with a permit program alone. They would like to see required actions that would lessen the burden on our Police Department to enforce the rules.

The commission recommended for staff to report back with a more detailed report and sample draft ordinance addressing the following items:

- Draft an ordinance prohibiting parking of unattached trailers on all City street
- Define and address the size of vehicles to be classified in the oversized vehicle category
- Do we want to restrict where RV's are allowed to park?
- Do we want to restrict RV's from parking in front of schools?
- Do we want to provide the police with a tool that allows them to cite oversized vehicles that obstruct visibility or sticks out prohibiting safe passage?
- Provide options on a permit program
- Which restrictions would allow ease of enforcement for the Police Department and which would not?
- Define parking exceptions for emergency repairs for oversized vehicles
- Feasibility of creating an opt-in program by streets or a City wide ordinance

F. COMMISSION ITEMS

1. None.

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Parking and Public Improvements Commission

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police
Laurie Jester, Acting Director of Community Development
Derrick Abell, Captain
Andy Harrod, Lieutenant
Julie Dahlgren, Management Analyst



DATE: July 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) conduct a public meeting and provide direction to the City Council regarding the proposed ordinances to:

1. Prohibit parking of non-motorized vehicles on City streets,
2. Prohibit parking of oversized vehicles on City streets, and the establishment of an oversized vehicle parking permit program.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council, Police Department, and other members of City staff receive complaints about traffic and parking each year. The presence of oversized/recreational vehicles (including motorhomes, campers, boats, commercial trucks, and trailers) is a recurring issue among these complaints. Concerns include safety issues, reducing visibility of drivers when backing out of driveways and entering intersections, child safety in reference to oversized vehicles parked near schools, visual blight and loss of multiple parking spaces.

As part of the City Council Work Plan for FY 2009/2010, Council requested that staff study the feasibility and impact of prohibiting parking for "oversized vehicles" including RVs, trailers and boats throughout the City. On March 2, 2010, City Council directed staff to work with the PPIC to develop the details of an oversized vehicle ordinance and permit program and to return to City Council with final recommendations.

On April 22, 2010, staff presented the PPIC with an overview of oversized vehicles parking in Manhattan Beach, including the results of an informal drive-around survey of oversized vehicles parking on Manhattan Beach streets. Various types of permit programs and ordinances from other jurisdictions were discussed. The PPIC directed staff to return with sample draft ordinances for non-motorized vehicles and oversized vehicles and to provide more information regarding the possible parameters of a permit program. The PPIC directed that the proposed ordinances and permit program should enhance the Police Department's ability to enforce parking restrictions, without becoming burdensome. The staff report and minutes from the April 22, 2010 meeting are attached as Exhibit C.

DISCUSSION:

According to California Vehicle Code 22507, "local authorities may, by ordinance or resolution, prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles...on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day." Several cities in the Los Angeles area have implemented stricter regulations for oversized vehicles, including implementation of permit programs.

The proposed ordinances (Exhibits A and B) are anticipated to overcome the shortcomings of the City's existing 72-hour parking restriction. Manhattan Beach Municipal Code 14.36.060 titled, "Use of streets for storage of vehicles prohibited" states that "no person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of seventy-two (72) hours." The movement of vehicles every 72 hours is currently an endless cycle which allows vehicle owners trying to avoid a parking citation or vehicle impound a way to circumvent the City's 72-hour parking restrictions by moving their vehicle within the 72-hour period, causing the 72-hour monitoring period to reset. This results in repeated inspections by Police staff, only to discover the vehicle has been moved within that time period, sometimes only a few feet, and other times to the opposite side of the street or around the corner, thereby avoiding police action.

The Police Department conducted a survey of oversized vehicle parking restrictions implemented by other Los Angeles County cities. Of the 42 respondents, 22 have implemented an oversized vehicle parking permit program (Torrance, Rancho Palos Verdes, Lakewood, Temple City, South Pasadena, Signal Hill, Culver City, Hawthorne, Calabasas, Santa Clarita, Montebello, Lawndale, Bradbury, La Cañada Flintridge, Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Bellflower, Glendora, San Marino, Alhambra, Claremont, San Dimas).

To provide additional opportunity for public input, a notice regarding oversized vehicle parking and the July 22, 2010 PPIC meeting was distributed to residents and businesses in Manhattan Beach as a utility bill insert (Exhibit D), and announced at the Planning Commission and City Council televised meetings. This notice was also placed at the Police Department front desk and the Finance and Community Development Department counters at City Hall.

As of July 14, 2010, 30 written comments were received by City staff on this topic (Exhibit E). Twenty-five (25) were in support of a permit program, three (3) voiced general concerns about the availability of parking without specific opinions about oversized vehicles, and two (2) were opposed to oversized vehicle parking regulations/permit program.

Proposed Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance/Permit Program

Based on feedback from residents, City Council, and PPIC, staff drafted proposed ordinances and outlined a basic permit program for the Commission's consideration and feedback. At the request of the PPIC, the issue of oversized vehicles will be handled with two separate ordinances—one expressly for the non-motorized vehicles (trailers, boats, etc.) and one for oversized motor vehicles.

Parking of non-motorized vehicles prohibited on City streets (Exhibit A)

The proposed non-motorized vehicle ordinance is modeled after the cities of Thousand Oaks and Downey and prohibits all non-motorized vehicles (such as travel trailers, utility trailers, boats,

and inoperable cars), regardless of their size, from parking on City streets unless the non-motorized vehicle is attached to a motor vehicle capable of providing the motive power for moving the non-motorized vehicle upon the highway, street, alley, public way or public place. Exceptions may be allowed for loading/unloading or emergency repairs for up to eight hours.

Parking of oversized vehicles prohibited on City streets (Exhibit B)

The proposed oversized vehicle parking permit program is modeled after successful programs operated in other local cities, and closely resembles that of the City of Torrance, who implemented their oversized vehicle parking permit program in September 2006.

In the proposed ordinance, oversized vehicles are defined by size (any vehicle or combination of vehicles which exceeds 20 feet in length, 7 feet in width, or 8 feet in height). Exceptions are made for pickups and sport utility vehicles less than 25 feet long and 82 inches high.

Residents would be required to register their oversized vehicle with the City of Manhattan Beach by filling out the application, submitting proof of residency (i.e. California Driver License, utility bill, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance), and a one-time registration fee of \$25 per oversized vehicle. Residents will receive a vehicle registration sticker to display in their window.

In addition to registering the oversized vehicle, daily paperless parking permits must be purchased from the Finance Department. Daily permits, if purchased in bundles of 24 or more, cost less than \$1.00 per day and do not expire. Residents who wish to temporarily park their oversized vehicle on the street may do so directly in front of their home and adjacent to the curb of their own property (or to the side of the property if it is corner lot), and may do so for up to three (3) consecutive days by activating their pre-purchased daily paperless parking pass by calling the Police Department and providing their registration information and the date(s) they will be parked in front of their home. Residents may use up to 96 daily paperless parking permits each calendar year.

The ordinance also includes provisions for guests of Manhattan Beach residents who may need to park their oversized vehicle on City streets for a short period of time.

The ordinance includes provisions for residents who are handicapped, or who qualify with the City as a low-income family, or who can prove that the oversized vehicle is their primary mode of transportation on a daily basis. All other California Vehicle Code and Manhattan Beach Municipal Code laws still apply; i.e. the 72-hour rule, street sweeping signs, etc.

Parking Adjacent to Schools

Residents have voiced concerns about oversized vehicles parked adjacent to schools due to concerns about visibility and safety, and it is a point that City Council requested be addressed as part of the oversized vehicle parking ordinance. The new ordinance will prohibit oversized vehicles from parking anywhere, other than directly in front of the resident's home, thereby eliminating any opportunity for an oversized vehicle owner to park in front of a school or community center without being in violation of the ordinance.

Oversized Vehicle Storage Options

Residents raised concerns about finding suitable locations to store their oversized vehicles away from their residence, as well as the additional expense. Selecting a storage facility is a personal

choice, as many factors are taken into consideration. Price, location, security, and services provided are a few variables. Staff contacted ten storage businesses in the South Bay and found six had vacancies at present (locations in Torrance, Redondo Beach, Hawthorne, and Gardena). Most storage yards are outdoors, and range in price depending on the size of the space and services desired. Prices started at around \$130 to store a 26" vehicle.

Enforcement and Fines

The Police Department would enforce the new ordinances on a complaint basis and would exercise a common sense approach as to whether a reported vehicle is legitimately parked on a street versus one that is being "stored." Police staff has needed a tool to overcome the limitations of the 72-hour parking restriction and its related safety issues while allowing for flexibility for those legitimately using street parking for its intended short term purpose.

Under the new oversized vehicle ordinance, an RV parked on City streets without a permit would be in violation of the ordinance, and each day the vehicle was parked on city streets without a permit, it could be cited or towed. Some cities have chosen to keep the oversized vehicle parking citations at their normal parking citation fine amount. In Manhattan Beach, parking citations are \$45. Some other cities have increased the citation amount to increase the effectiveness of their enforcement efforts, and we have seen fines up to \$130.

Staff would use a variety of methods to notify the public of the adopted ordinances, including posting information on the City website, printing information in the City newsletter, and including an insert in utility bills.

Cost to Implement the Program

In order to enforce the provisions of the new ordinances in compliance with the California Vehicle Code, staff will need to post appropriate signs at all entrances to the City. The estimated cost for sign materials is anticipated to be less than \$5,000. Cost of staff time and initial registration stickers will be covered by the registration fees and daily paperless parking passes. Replacement registration stickers (in case of loss, theft, excessive fading, etc.) will be charged to the vehicle owner at cost (around \$5). All new fees and fines relating to the program will be established by resolution of the City Council.

Next Steps

Once a recommendation is made by the PPIC, the Police Department will work with the City Attorney's Office, Community Development Department, Public Works Department, and the Finance Department to bring the ordinances and permit program to City Council for approval.

Exhibits:

- A. Draft Detached Trailer Parking Ordinance
- B. Draft Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance
- C. Staff Report and Approved Minutes from the April 22, 2010 PPIC Meeting
- D. Public Notice - Utility Bill Insert
- E. Public Comments Received

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
July 22, 2010**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Parking and Public Improvements Commission of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 22nd day of July, 2010, at the hour of 6:41 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Vigon, Stabile, Gross and Chair Silverman.
Absent: Adami.
Staff Present: Management Analyst Madrid, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet, Lt. Harrod, and Sgt. Mason.
Clerk: Schilling.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 24, 2010

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Gross/Stabile) to approve the minutes of June 24, 2010 with the following amendment:

- Change 33rd Place to 33rd Street on page 3, paragraph 6, third line from bottom of paragraph.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Evelyn Frey, Sand Section, announced that the L.A. County Beaches and Harbors have approved the installation of the Mobi-mat, pathway to the sea for disabled and elderly.

She also stated that as a member of the Manhattan Beach Residents Association she will be taking an active interest in the parking situation in Manhattan Beach.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program

Management Analyst Madrid introduced the item.

Lieutenant Harrod presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the issues involving oversized vehicles throughout the City and a sample ordinance to address

these issues. Lieutenant Harrod provided background information on the item for those who were not in attendance at the April 22, 2010 Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) meeting when the item was first discussed.

Lieutenant Harrod explained that at the March 2, 2010 City Council meeting, the City Council had directed staff to work with the PPIC to develop the details of an oversized vehicle ordinance and permit parking program and to return to the City Council with final recommendations. Staff presented the item and related issues to the PPIC on April 22nd and at that time was directed by the Commission to return with sample draft ordinances for non-motorized vehicles and oversized vehicles and to provide more information regarding the possible parameters of a permit parking program.

Lieutenant Harrod stated that residents were notified of tonight's meeting through inserts in their most recent water bill along with announcements made by staff at the Planning Commission meeting and City Council meeting.

Lieutenant Harrod explained that what brought this issue to a head was the fact that there were a number of oversized vehicles parking around the schools and this had caused safety concerns for children and their parents. It was also brought to their attention because owners of these oversized vehicles had become adept at skirting around the current 72 hour parking code and were taking up much needed parking spaces in a City where parking is limited. Lieutenant Harrod demonstrated his point with several photographs taken of oversized vehicles, showing the number of times the vehicles had been marked by police and moved by their owners, showing multiple vehicles parked around schools and fields and showing vehicles parked on streets near curves or intersections, all posing possible safety hazards.

The goal as stated by Lieutenant Harrod is to prevent long term storage of oversized vehicles on City streets and provide a process to enforce the ordinance without becoming overly burdensome to staff or incur a financial burden to the City. In addition, staff wants to minimize any inconvenience to the owners of the oversized vehicles who wish to pack and unpack, clean or repair their vehicle when taking a trip.

Lieutenant Harrod noted that the sample ordinance presented to the PPIC tonight was based on those ordinances already in effect in neighboring cities such as Torrance, Lakewood, Signal Hill, and Rancho Palos Verdes just to name a few of the 40 cities they researched. He reiterated several times that the ordinance provided was just a sample to serve as a starting point for the commission to discuss and form an ordinance that met the unique and specific needs of the City. In the sample ordinance, an oversized vehicle is defined as one that is at least 20 feet long, or seven feet wide, or eight feet high. He suggested that the City charge a one-time registration fee of \$25 with a \$1 fee for overnight parking passes, limiting these passes to 96 per year, with a limit of using the one day passes a maximum of three consecutive days. This ordinance would include limitations on guest oversized vehicles with a 14 day limit and no more than 30 days per year. He stated that the proposed ordinance allowed for an oversized

vehicle who was cited to pay the same fee as any other vehicle, which is \$45. The vehicle would be towed as a last resort.

Lieutenant Harrod declared that he had surveyed several storage facilities nearby Manhattan Beach and that the storage cost for a 26 foot oversized vehicle is approximately \$130 per month.

Lieutenant Harrod indicated that enforcement of the ordinance would be complaint driven, on a case by case basis.

Lieutenant Harrod summarized the presentation by sharing the approximate initial cost to the City would be \$5000 for signage. And that his hope would be to recoup the cost of the stickers and/or passes by the fees passed on to the oversized vehicle owners. Lieutenant Harrod asked that the PPIC provide further direction on this sample ordinance.

A discussion took place among the Commissioners and Lieutenant Harrod regarding the sample ordinance presented.

Commissioner Gross asked how long the 72 hour policy has been in effect. Lieutenant Harrod responded approximately 40 years. To which Commissioner Gross commented that residents shouldn't be surprised that the City doesn't allow the storage of large vehicles on City streets and City Council is looking for a way to enforce this. The current law makes it very challenging for the police department to enforce.

Commissioner Stabile asked for clarification on how the police plan to enforce the new ordinance, if approved. Lieutenant Harrod explained that officers on patrol would look to see if the sticker/permit is visible on the oversized vehicle and they would rely on resident's complaints. Commissioner Stabile expressed concerns about complaint driven enforcement; that this type of enforcement was inconsistent, and that it could cause conflicts with neighbors.

Lieutenant Harrod reiterated staffs concerns regarding a solution that would be equitable to all without over burdening staff or owners of oversized vehicles.

Commissioner Vigon agreed that he felt complaint driven enforcement is not equitable. He also asked how many oversized vehicles were registered in the City of Manhattan Beach to which Lieutenant Harrod answered 166. Commissioner Vigon also expressed some additional concerns; will this ordinance force residents to store their vehicles on their front lawns, how will police monitor visitors. Lieutenant Harrod responded to his concerns by stating that the City has an ordinance in place that prohibits the parking of any type vehicle on a resident's lawn, and secondly, police could input the license plate of the vehicle into their computer and can verify the place of registration of any oversized vehicle.

Commissioner Stabile stated that the streets are very narrow in the sand section and though there are some parking pads along side of the street for parking an oversized vehicle, which could pose a safety hazard.

Chair Silverman inquired if there was anything in the ordinance that considered the safety issues of children who can't see around these oversized vehicles and the motorists who can't see the children coming out from in front of and behind these oversized vehicles.

Lieutenant Harrod reaffirmed the fact that they are always cognizant of potential safety issues and to date, there has been no such accident reported in Manhattan Beach. He also stated that the City requires a 15 foot clearance on all streets to allow the passage of fire and rescue trucks.

Commissioner Gross asked about the fee structure, and if the cost would be included in the ordinance. Lieutenant Harrod assured the Commission that fees would be addressed but that staff needs to obtain more information before setting any fees, but the priority would be to make certain that the City could recoup all costs.

Audience Participation

Chair Silverman determined that due to the large number of people who wished to speak on this item that each speaker would be limited to three minutes. Chair Silverman then opened the item to public comment at 7:28 p.m. The following persons spoke on this item:

Steve De Baets, 1350 18th Street, RV owner stated that he parks his oversized vehicle on his property. He is the representative for the Manhattan Beach RV Owners Club and expressed his opinion that 90% of the RV owners in the City abide by the rules. He asked that the commission be conservative in the measures they adopt citing that there have been no incidents in the City regarding children and RV's and didn't want to see a cost burden placed on those owners of RV's who abide by the rules.

Commissioner Stabile asked what his group's opinion was regarding the storage of RV's on City streets. Mr. De Baets responded that the group was divided on the issue.

James Gee, 2600 Bell Avenue, is not an RV owner but feels that the owners of such vehicles come into the area and abuse the parking available on Bell Avenue for storage of their oversized vehicles. He produced a couple photos for the commissioners showing the street lined with several oversized vehicles and considers it to be a safety issue for the school children near by as well as an issue of aesthetics.

Stephanie Monash, Manhattan Beach, RV owner is concerned that the PPIC will take a sledge hammer to a fly swatter situation. She suggested that the Commission prohibit parking near schools and parks. Ms. Monash currently parks her vehicle in front

of her home with no objections from her neighbors. She and her husband could not afford the cost of storing their vehicle.

John Whitaker, Manhattan Beach, owns a 19 foot boat that he parks at his home. He parks his boat on his property and uses it a lot, with no complaints from his neighbors. His understanding is that the 72 hour rule is for abandoned vehicles of any sort.

Kay Sheth, 2603 Palm, does not own an RV but as the President of the Pacific School PTA, she and the parents of the school are concerned about the three or four oversized vehicles that continue to park on John Street at Pacific School. She feels that they pose a safety concern for the children and take up precious parking for parents.

Douglas Lock, 1531 11th Street, owns a trailer that is stored, expressed his feelings regarding the challenge of enforcing the 72 hour law. He is opposed to any ordinance that would increase costs to oversized vehicle owners.

Ellen Chao, Manhattan Beach, does not own an oversized vehicle but is concerned with the oversized vehicles that park around Pacific School and how easily these owners abuse the 72 hour law. She is opposed to oversized vehicles being parked around schools, parks, fields because of children and safety issues. Ms. Chao doesn't have a problem with residents parking their oversized vehicles in front of their homes.

Commissioners Stabile and Silverman asked about Ms. Chao's feelings of residents who live across the street from the school and park their vehicles in front of their home.

In response Ms. Chao stated that she has no objection. She added that there is currently a large area of curb on John Street that is painted white, previously used for loading and unloading. However that entrance to the school is no longer used and she feels the area could be open to more parking for parents.

Timothy Jones, 115 Morningside Drive, owns a trailer which he stores the majority of the year. It is parked outside his home more often during the spring and summer months. Mr. Jones shared the fees that oversized vehicle owners pay as part of the state requirements and questioned if the City would follow the same guidelines for an oversized vehicle as for a detached trailer or vehicle.

David Flirsch, Manhattan Beach, an RV owner who shared his concerns about the challenges of parking an RV in certain areas of the City. He expressed the fact that the streets are very narrow in some areas, and often times there is no parking available at all and he ends up double parking in front of his home or a neighbor's home to load and unload his oversized vehicle.

Steve Robins, Manhattan Beach, an RV owner who parks his vehicle in front of his home and moves it on street cleaning days. He would request that the City do what is fair for both the oversized vehicle owner and the City. He also questioned what the Council hopes to gain by this ordinance and how will it improve the City of Manhattan Beach.

William Mc Cleigh, Manhattan Beach, owner of a 26 foot RV that he keeps in storage. He asked the Commission specific questions as to what they want to solve with an ordinance. Mr. Mc Cleigh felt that the Commission was looking for a draconian response to the problem being addressed. He also stated that he was opposed to another bureaucratic program such as permits/fees.

David Wachfogel, Manhattan Beach, asked how the Commission planned to address oversized vehicles that are parked in the dedicated right-of-way.

Judy Kerner, Manhattan Beach, suggested that the proposed ordinance invites abuse. She is an RV owner and hasn't found any place to store her vehicle for less than \$200 per month. She is in favor of the 72 hour rule for loading and unloading and would like the permit program but opposes any fees.

Joana Gallo Marsteller, 758 26th Street, she is not an RV owner but does have a neighbor who parks their oversized vehicle in front of her home. She asked the neighbor to move the vehicle as it makes for a safety hazard in entering and leaving her driveway. The neighbor wasn't willing to move the RV, until recently. Ms. Gallo Marsteller is frustrated with the fact that there is no recourse in resolving this issue and she is stuck with safety issues as well as the possible loss of a 20 year old tree in their yard which is dying due to lack of sunlight, all caused by the oversized vehicle parked in front of her home.

She expressed no objection to residents parking their RVs in front of their own homes.

Ron Symmes, 1320 8th Street, is the owner of an RV which he has parked in front of his home for five years. He feels that it's unfair for the City to adopt an ordinance that penalizes the large percentage of RV owners in the City who abide by the law. He would ask that the Commission seek a more incremental approach; no parking signage around the schools to start, etc. before banning oversized vehicles from the City.

Monica Turney, Manhattan Beach, requested that the Commission show some expediency in addressing this issue. The parking of oversized vehicles on Bell Avenue poses a real safety issue.

Kristi Hutchinson, 1513 Manzanita Lane, RV owner confirmed that she had shared an email exchange with City Council regarding the issue of oversized vehicle parking and wasn't necessarily pleased with the response.

Christina Tate, Manhattan Beach, RV owner who stores her vehicle on her property posed the question to the commission as to how a RV owner could park their vehicle in front of their home if someone else was parked there.

Will Arviso, No Address Provided, oversized vehicle owner who presented several questions to the commission regarding the lack of parking in front of some owner's homes, the lack of enforceability of the 72 hour rule, and if the issue seems to be parking around the schools why not just restrict parking in that area.

John Whitaker, Manhattan Beach, spoke briefly once more addressing the two issues he felt were the problem; parking around schools and people abusing the 72 hour rule.

Chair Silverman closed public comments at 8:34 p.m.

Chair Silverman asked Lieutenant Harrod if it were discriminatory to have restricted parking around the schools. In response Lieutenant Harrod said he didn't know and would have to consult the City Attorney.

Commissioner Gross and Lieutenant Harrod concurred that depending on the time of year there are approximately 30 oversized vehicles that are a problem throughout the City.

Chairman Silverman announced a five minute recess at 8:37 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

Discussion

There was a lengthy discussion among the Commissioners regarding the sample ordinance presented by staff and the comments made by the residents who spoke.

Commissioner Stabile announced that he was prepared to adopt a motion on non-motorized vehicles as described in Exhibit A in the sample ordinance. Chair Silverman read aloud Exhibit A.

Commissioner Gross asked Lieutenant Harrod for clarification on a vehicle safely positioned on blocks. Traffic Engineer Zandvliet explained that in this situation it fell under the jurisdiction of Public Works and would be considered material/equipment which requires an encroachment permit.

Commissioner Vigon expressed his interest in the greater good of the community. The City has a population of nearly 40,000 residents, 166 of which own oversized vehicles. He noted that a number of other cities have passed ordinances similar to the one proposed here this evening that have seemed to work. Commissioner Vigon is

inclined to adopt the ordinance as presented by staff in the best interest of the overall community.

Commissioner Gross acknowledged that he is the owner of an oversized vehicle and has stored it for nearly 40 years. He expressed sympathy for the owners of oversized vehicles but has more sympathy for those residents who don't own these type vehicles but are impacted by them. Commissioner Gross emphasized that staff had received a number of emails from residents, and several were from people who were not able to attend the meeting tonight regarding this item; he stated that 34 of the emails supported that the City adopt an ordinance and only nine were opposed.

He stressed the need to put an ordinance in place that would be easily enforceable and was reluctant to direct staff to seek other alternatives when they've surveyed more than 30 cities already.

Chair Silverman emphasized that he sympathizes with both sides, but supports the statements expressed by commissioners Gross and Vigon.

Commissioner Stabile reiterated the fact that the streets are owned by the City and no one has individual rights to the parking area in front of their homes. He stated that the commission has been tasked by Council to address the problem and find a solution. Commissioner Stabile felt that a permit program wasn't the only solution to this group of problems and though he is opposed to the proposed permit program and the complaint driven enforcement process, a permit system may be the only recourse. He restated that he is not able to support the oversized vehicle ordinance as presented here tonight.

Commissioner Vigon expressed an interest in compartmentalizing the issues as follows:

- Oversized vehicle parking in general
- Oversized vehicle parking around schools
- Uniqueness of the layout of our City poses safety issues for fire department

Commissioners Gross and Stabile added that there are a number of safety issues, not just schools, parking on narrow streets but also parking such large vehicles near corners where the view is obstructed as well as the fact that there are many streets in the Sand Section of town that don't have any parking at all.

Commissioner Stabile suggested that oversized vehicles be prohibited in the City of Manhattan Beach and that a permit program be initiated for the loading and unloading of such vehicles only.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet and the Commissioners engaged in a discussion regarding the 72 hour law, residents parking their oversized vehicles in front of their homes, permits and registration, time limits for visitors and residents with oversized vehicles, and the general policy of the City against the storing of vehicles on the street.

Action

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Stabile/Gross) to adopt Exhibit A; Proposed Ordinance – Detached Trailer Parking as presented by Staff.

AYES: Gross, Silverman, Vigon, and Stabile.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: Adami.
ABSTAIN: None.

The Commissioners agreed to move forward to discuss Exhibit B; Proposed Ordinance – Oversized Parking.

A lengthy discussion was engaged in between Lieutenant Harrod, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet and the Commissioners.

Commissioner Gross addressed the issue of enforcement without a permit. Lieutenant Harrod explained that it could be possible, but more difficult.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet suggested that the easiest way to handle this would be by a numbered sticker that would allow the police department to track all pertinent information attached to each vehicle.

Commissioner Gross shared his opinion that it would be fair to all residents and oversized vehicle owners to prohibit parking in the City, freeing up much needed parking and foregoing street storage completely. This would not impose any additional costs on the City.

Commissioner Stabile asserted that he would like to see more stringent fines imposed on violators to act as a real deterrent.

Commissioner Gross questioned if the City would exempt “handicap” from this ordinance and if the City would ban these vehicles in time of a major emergency.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet consolidated the items discussed by the Commissioners and summarized them as direction to give back to staff for study and presentation.

- A permit program would be implemented, and taking into consideration the possibility of paper permit system option or a paperless permit system.
- All oversized vehicles must be registered with the City.
- A maximum of 72 one day permits a year per residential address.
- Permits would be issued in increments of 24 hours (1 day).
- Two one day permits may be used consecutively, but not to exceed 48 hours at any given time.
- A 24 hour period (where vehicle was off the street) would be necessary in between each 48 hour increment.

- No oversized vehicle parking allowed in the City limits except under the permit program.
- Oversized vehicles without a permit will be cited every 24 hours until moved or towed.
- Definition of an oversized vehicle as stated in sample ordinance (Exhibit B).
- Parking would not be permitted around schools and signs could be posted to note this restriction (this may be done immediately depending on whether it is an administrative action or ordinance).

Commissioner Stabile suggested that the City repeal the 72 hour law for all vehicles. He said the vehicle either has the permit or it doesn't.

Lieutenant Harrod agreed that the 72 hour law does allow vehicles to move from one side of the street to the other in order to avoid a citation.

Commissioner Gross agreed with the idea proposed by Commissioner Stabile.

Commissioner Vigon asserted that the amount of the citation needs to be increased.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet recommended a tiered citation program.

Lieutenant Harrod asked if large commercial vehicles such as box trucks that business owners may bring home would be included.

It was unanimous among the Commissioners that they would be.

Lieutenant Harrod recommended that once an ordinance is passed it would be important to take steps to educate residents and have a period of leniency before enforcing the new laws.

Commissioner Stabile directed staff to define areas throughout the City where oversized vehicles would be prohibited.

In addition to schools, as recommended by the Commission, Lieutenant Harrod suggested prohibiting parking of oversized vehicles around parks and also community centers, and that this prohibition may be implemented immediately depending on whether it can be done through an administrative action or required an ordinance.

Action

A motion was MADE and SECONDED (Stabile/Vigon) to direct staff to redraft the ordinance on an Oversized Vehicle Parking and Permit Program in accordance with the consensus of the commission.

AYES: Gross, Silverman, Vigon, and Stabile.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Adami.

ABSTAIN: None.

F. COMMISSION ITEMS

1. Commissioner Vigon relayed his observation of delivery services abusing the 20 minute parking limit for unloading and picking up goods. He has seen them park and go into a restaurant to eat lunch.

Chair Silverman would like him to be certain of those facts as the merchants each depend on these deliveries.

2. Commissioner Stabile asked Staff what action was taken by City Council regarding the north end valet.

Management Analyst Madrid stated that City Council was opposed to the program utilizing residential streets for returning vehicles. The owner of Upper Manhattan, Mr. Mike Quagletti wasn't interested in bringing forth another proposal to the North End BID and is no longer pursuing a valet program.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet added that the business owners in the north end would like to see a valet program in place, and if they wish to pursue it they have a good idea of the parameters that would be acceptable to City Council.

G. STAFF ITEMS

1. Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Report: Receive and file.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m. to the Regular PPIC Meeting on Thursday, August 26, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Parking and Public Improvements Commission

FROM: Rod Uyeda, Chief of Police
Laurie Jester, Acting Director of Community Development
Derrick Abell, Captain
Andy Harrod, Lieutenant
Julie Dahlgren, Management Analyst

DATE: August 26, 2010

SUBJECT: Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Permit Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) continue discussion regarding the proposed ordinance to prohibit parking of oversized vehicles on City streets, and develop guidelines for the establishment of an oversized vehicle parking permit program.

BACKGROUND:

As part of the City Council Work Plan for FY 2009/2010, Council requested that staff study the feasibility and potential impact of prohibiting parking for oversized vehicles including RVs, trailers and boats throughout the City. On March 2, 2010, City Council directed staff to work with the PPIC to develop the details of an oversized vehicle ordinance and permit program and to return to City Council with final recommendations. On April 22, 2010, staff presented the PPIC with an overview of oversized vehicles parking in Manhattan Beach. Various types of permit programs and ordinances from other jurisdictions were discussed. The PPIC directed staff to return with sample draft ordinances for non-motorized vehicles and oversized vehicles and to provide more information regarding the possible parameters of a permit program.

On July 22, 2010, staff returned to the PPIC with a possible ordinance for detached trailers and non motorized vehicles, which the PPIC unanimously approved. Staff also presented a draft oversized vehicle and trailer ordinance and the PPIC made recommendations for revisions. Based on feedback from the PPIC, staff revised the draft oversized vehicle ordinance and further refined the permit program for the Commission's consideration, outlined below.

DISCUSSION:

Proposed Ordinance and Permit Program

The proposed ordinance prohibits oversized vehicles (OV), defined as a vehicle greater than 20 feet long or 7 feet wide or 8 feet high, except pick-up trucks less than 22 feet long and eight feet high, from parking on City streets. Exceptions will be made for oversized vehicle (OV) owners/renters/visitors who obtain a daily parking permit and for commercial vehicles actively engaged in making deliveries or providing services. In addition, signs will be posted prohibiting

OV parking on the sections of public streets immediately adjacent to schools, community centers, and parks at all times.

Daily Permits for Registered OVs

Residents would register their oversized vehicle annually with the City by filling out an application and submitting proof of residency, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. Residents will receive a numbered vehicle registration sticker to display in their OV window each year.

Registered vehicles must display their registration sticker and activate a daily parking permit in order to park on City streets. Daily parking permits may be purchased from the Police Department or Finance Department and will likely cost \$1.00 per day and can be purchased in bundles of 24. Permits, if not used, will not expire from year to year. Residents who wish to park their oversized vehicle on the street may do so for up to two (2) consecutive days in a 72-hour period by activating their pre-purchased daily paperless parking pass by calling the Police Department and providing their registration information and the date(s) they will be parked on the street. Residents may use up to 72 daily paperless parking permits each calendar year.

Daily Permits for Visitors (Including Rental OVs)

The ordinance also includes provisions for daily visitor permits, which are suitable for either OVs of guests or residents, as well as OVs rented by Manhattan Beach residents. No more than two visitor permits can be used on consecutive days, with a maximum of 30 daily visitor permits in a calendar year. Daily visitor permits will likely cost \$5 per day and will likely need to be purchased and activated by the resident in person at the Police Department.

Other Terms and Conditions

An OV parked on City streets without a daily permit would be in violation of the ordinance, and for each day the vehicle was parked on city streets without a permit, it could be cited or towed. In Manhattan Beach, parking citations are \$45.

In order to enforce the provisions of the new ordinances in compliance with the California Vehicle Code, staff will need to post appropriate signs at all entrances to the City. Signs will also be posted around schools, parks, and community centers to prohibit parking of vehicles over seven feet in height. The estimated cost for sign materials is anticipated to be around \$5,000.

If the City is to fully recover the cost to implement the program, a first-year vehicle registration fee of \$35 and a renewal fee of \$15 is anticipated to cover the cost of installing signage, processing the annual paperwork, and performing routine sign maintenance and replacement. Cost of staff time to administer day-to-day operations of the program is anticipated to be covered by the fees for daily resident and visitor parking passes. Replacement registration stickers (in case of loss, theft, excessive fading, etc.) will be charged to the vehicle owner at cost (around \$5). All fees and fines relating to the program will be established by resolution of the City Council.

Parking enforcement does not have the resources to drive up and down every street every day to ensure that every oversized vehicle is in compliance; however, Parking Enforcement Officers will be directed to confirm valid daily parking passes when they come across an OV and are not en route to an urgent call. They will follow up with any complaint calls received from residents. Parking enforcement officers will be directed to monitor areas where parking is expressly prohibited.

Staff would use a variety of methods to notify the public of the adopted ordinances, including posting information on the City website, printing information in the City newsletter, and including an insert in utility bills. There will be a grace period for two months to allow RV owners time to find adequate off-street storage and acclimate to the OV parking permit process.

Next Steps

Once a recommendation is made by the PPIC, the Police Department will work with the City Attorney's Office, Community Development Department, Public Works Department, and the Finance Department to bring the oversized vehicle ordinance to City Council for approval.

Exhibits:

- A. Draft Oversized Vehicle and Trailer Ordinance
- B. Staff Report from July 22, 2010 PPIC Meeting, including Public Correspondence from April 21 to July 14, 2010
- C. Public Correspondence Received from July 15 to August 19, 2010
- D. Staff Report and Approved Minutes from April 22, 2010 PPIC Meeting
- E. Public Notice - Beach Reporter Ad

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
August 26, 2010**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Manhattan Beach Parking and Public Improvements Commission was held on the 26th day of August, 2010, at the hour of 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Adami, Gross, Stabile, Vigon and Chairman Silverman.
Absent: None.
Staff Present: Management Analyst Madrid, Lt. Harrod, Sgt. Mason and Traffic Engineer Zandvliet.
Clerk: Weeks.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Commissioner Stabile corrected Page 9, last paragraph, of the July 22, 2010 Parking and Public Improvements Commission minutes to read, "...A 24 hour period (where vehicle was off the street) would be necessary after each 48 hour increment."

MOTION: Commissioner Gross moved to approve the Parking and Public Improvements Commission minutes of July 22, 2010 as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stabile and passed by unanimous voice vote, with Commissioner Adami abstaining due to his absence from that meeting.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

08/26/10-2 Consideration of City Council 2009-2010 Work Plan Item Regarding Parking Meters on Parkview Avenue

Q Traffic Engineer Zandvliet presented the staff report. He explained that this item arose as part of the City Council's 2009-2010 Work Plan to make the area more consistent with other commercial areas in the City. Copies of letters from Roger Cox, Rotary Club of Manhattan Beach, and Toni Reina, Continental Development, relating concerns over the proposed parking meters, were distributed at the meeting. Mr. Zandvliet shared input on the notification for this item and he verified that it will be re-noticed when it is considered by the Council.

Prior to receiving input from the public, discussion amongst the Commission and staff included the following: the revenue from the proposed parking meters and whether

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it would be cost effective; lengthening the maximum parking time; the lack of responses from property owners in the area; the appropriate parking meter rate and the rate of \$1.25 per hour, which is consistent with the rate in other parts of the City; the reasons why drivers sometimes prefer to park on the street rather than in private lots; the subject area being the only commercial area in the City without parking meters; the idea that parking meters produce movement in cars; the availability of parking spaces in private lots in the area; the potential effects of the proposed parking meters on various businesses/activities in the area, such as the Marriott Hotel, Manhattan Beach Country Club and special events; the implementation of the proposed parking meters with a trial period; and the idea of offering parking passes.

Audience Participation

An unidentified speaker commented on the potential impacts of the proposed parking meters and on the importance of having alternatives to the expensive parking at the Marriott Hotel.

As a resident and Rotary Club member, **Steve DeBaets, 1350 – 18th Street**, related his understanding that the purpose of encouraging vehicle turn over in a commercial zone is to allow patrons of retail businesses to access the businesses, but that is not the case in this area. He discussed the negative impact parking meters would have on employees of Manhattan Marketplace and employees/patrons of Marriott Hotel and Manhattan Beach Country Club; the probability that drivers think the private lots in the area are for patrons of the businesses; and the lack of anything positive about the proposed parking meters, other than revenue.

Miles Tucker, Redondo Beach resident and employed by Manhattan Beach Country Club, 1330 Parkview, expressed concern over the potentially negative impact the proposed parking meters would have on Manhattan Beach Country Club. Referring to written material he distributed to the Commission during the meeting, Mr. Tucker explained the negative public relations the proposed parking meters would create for the Country Club and the cost burden of installing gates into the Country Club's parking lot, which will be necessary if the proposed parking meters are installed. He related his understanding of the number of parking spaces in the area compared to information provided in Exhibit B (Calculated Parking Surplus/Deficit Parkview Avenue) attached to the staff report and the use of Kinecta's parking lot when parking near the Country Club is unavailable. Mr. Tucker advised that at least 20 local associations patronize the Country Club and that the Club intends to seek more banquet business in the future, which will require more than two hour parking.

Gerry O'Connor, No Address Provided, voiced concern over the possibility of Manhattan Beach Country Club expanding its business in the future. He discussed that the Country Club should not be dependent on on-street parking and that this should not impact the Commission's consideration of the proposed parking meters.

Commission Discussion

Commissioner Stabile noted the difficulty of absorbing written material distributed to the Commission during the meetings. He pointed out that there is no problem in the area in need of a solution; but, the City Council desired a means of enhancing revenue and providing consistency with other commercial areas in the City. Commissioner

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Stabile stated his opinion that a two-hour parking restriction would be totally unreasonable, particularly since this is not a retail area with the need for vehicle turn over and the type of parking needed is more long-term; and he, therefore, suggested that consideration be given to a four- to six-hour maximum parking time.

Noting his very personal and extensive experience parking on the street while previously working in the area, Commissioner Vigon stated his feeling that the proposed parking meters make sense conceptually because there is a demand for them and they will create revenue for the City. But, he cautioned that the parking meter program must be "simple" and structured to be practical, enforceable and raise revenue. He noted that the amount of revenue obtained on weekends would be less because parking spaces in some of the private lots in the area are available on weekends. Commissioner Vigon felt that two-hour parking would be incongruent with the general uses in the area; that the rate of \$1.25 should be further examined to ensure it would be appropriate; and that unmetered handicapped parking spaces should be provided. He indicated that he could support the parking meters as proposed, with a longer maximum parking time and an hourly rate which is more consistent with the supply and demand for the parking in the area.

Commissioner Gross stated his appreciation of information provided in the staff report. He related his agreement with parking meters as recommended by staff, with the understanding that this area is much different than the Downtown area and that the time restrictions and hourly rates shall be flexible. He pointed out that parking in the area will eventually become difficult, so meters should be installed, and that the revenue obtained could be used to build up the parking fund to expand parking where it is needed in other parts of the City.

Commissioner Adami estimated that the revenue from the parking meters would result in a two- to three-year payback for the cost of the meters and he suggested that, should the meters be approved, they be implemented in two phases. He agreed with an hourly rate of \$.75 or \$1.00 and discussed the financial burden of area employees paying for parking; the need to increase the maximum parking time to four/five hours; and the idea of providing handicapped parking, such as on Manhattan Beach Boulevard.

Chairman Silverman agreed that there is not a parking problem in the area and that, unlike Downtown, turn over in parking in the area is not necessary for retail uses. He voiced his concern that community groups would be impacted by the parking meters and entertained the idea of the meter hours beginning later in the morning to help reduce the impact. Chairman Silverman favored flexible/cautionary hours and rates should the meters be approved.

Commissioner Stabile related his understanding of the Council's desire for a revenue enhancer and he indicated that he could support a "simple" parking meter plan; an hourly rate of \$.75; a four-hour maximum parking time; and no handicapped parking. Commissioner Stabile mentioned that it would have been helpful to have had information on the estimated revenue to be obtained from the parking meters prior to making a determination. He noted that on-street parking could be greatly reduced when parking spaces are available in private lots.

Chairman Silverman and Commissioner Stabile voiced concern that businesses in the area could charge less than the on-street rate to park in their lots, which would diminish the demand for the on-street parking and lower potential revenue.

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet clarified that the smart meters which would be installed would not contain a vehicle sensor; that the west side of the Kinecta private parking lot is free; and that the Marriott Hotel has a large number of employees and all parking for that establishment is supposed to be on site. Staff anticipated that, excluding maintenance and enforcement costs, the parking meters would produce approximately \$250,000 per year in revenue. He recommended against implementing the parking meters in two phases since this could be a bit risky due to unforeseen problems.

Commissioner Gross agreed with Commissioners Stabile and Vigon about the importance of implementing a "simple" parking meter program; an hourly rate of \$.75; and a four-hour maximum parking time.

MOTION: Commissioner Stabile moved to recommend to the City Council that parking meters be installed on both sides of Parkview Avenue between Village Drive and its easterly terminus east of Market Place, and on Village Drive between Rosecrans Avenue and Parkview Avenue, with the following conditions: a maximum parking time of four hours; enforcement between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. daily; and an hourly parking rate of \$.75. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gross and ultimately withdrawn.

Commissioner Adami related his preference that a parking meter program be implemented in two phases.

Chairman Silverman suggested that the parking meters be enforced from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with unlimited hours. His fellow Commissioners agreed.

Commissioner Stabile withdrew the motion and Commissioner Gross withdrew his second.

Commissioner Gross suggested that staff further analyze this topic and provide recommended modifications at the next meeting.

Commissioner Vigon supported the Commission approving parking meters this evening, with the understanding that further analysis will be provided to the City Council.

MOTION: Commissioner Stabile moved to recommend to the City Council that parking meters be installed on both sides of Parkview Avenue between Village Drive and its easterly terminus east of Market Place, and on Village Drive between Rosecrans Avenue and Parkview Avenue, with the following conditions: that parking shall be for an unlimited time; that the parking meters shall be enforced between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. daily; and that an hourly parking rate of \$.75 shall be charged. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gross and passed by unanimous roll call vote:

Ayes:	Adami, Gross, Stabile, Vigon and Chairman Silverman.
Noes:	None.
Abstain:	None.
Absent:	None.

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Traffic Engineer Zandvliet advised that pertinent cost information and anticipated on-street parking demand, etc. will be provided for the Council's consideration of this item.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

At 8:20 p.m., there was a recess until 8:27 p.m., when the meeting reconvened in regular agenda order with all Commissioners present.

08/26/10-3 Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program

Lt. Harrod presented the staff report. He provided background information; outlined the proposed draft Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program; and addressed concerns expressed by the Commission at the last meeting.

During discussion between the Commission and staff, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet clarified that individuals not associated with persons in Manhattan Beach could not take advantage of the proposed Oversized Vehicle Parking Ordinance and Parking Permit Program; that the proposed 24-hour period would be from noon to noon so only one permit would be required to park overnight; and that running hook-ups from a residence is not allowed due to related liability and the only exception would be an encroachment permit for a temporary purpose. He further clarified that the staff recommendation is for the Commission to develop guidelines which can be recommended to the City Council.

Lt. Harrod advised that, unless pedestrian and vehicular safety are jeopardized, the goal would be not to tow oversized vehicles; that there is no rule as to the number of violations required before towing; that the \$45.00 fine for each infraction would be imposed every 24 hours.

With regard to Section 14.46.090, Violation of Chapter, Commissioner Stabile related his opinion that the phrase "...with the intent to avoid compliance with this Chapter..." should be deleted in that there is no plausible explanation as to why an individual displaying a fraudulent permit would not have the intent to violate the Ordinance and this phrase could result in much litigation.

Audience Participation

Due to the late hour and the large number of individuals wishing to speak to this item, with the agreement of his fellow Commissioners, Chairman Silverman announced that speakers would be limited to three minutes.

Individuals addressing the Commission on this item were as follows:

Steve DeBaets, 1350 18th Street, Manhattan Beach RV Owners' Association, related his support of oversized vehicle parking restrictions contiguous to schools. He voiced his opposition to any parking permit programs for oversized vehicles and related his understanding that a very small number of recreation vehicle (RV) owners are generating complaints; and that California Department of Motor Vehicle Code 22507 gives cities the opportunity to make regulations to stop parking of vehicles on public streets; but, not the authority to discriminate on which type of vehicle can be parked.

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Steven Robins, No Address Provided, voiced concern over the huge inconvenience the proposed regulations would place on RV owners. He questioned how the success of such a program would be defined; stated his impression that the enforcement tool for 72-hour parking is the only goal of the proposed Ordinance; asked if the proposed Ordinance and Parking Permit Program would include a grace period; and explained that the permit time of midnight to midnight would be much easier than noon to noon.

Dan Hutchinson, 1513 Manzanita Lane, commented on the lengthy amount of time it takes to prepare for a trip in his RV. He agreed that the proposed requirements would be discriminatory, noting that residents store smaller vehicles on the street for longer than 72 hours. Mr. Hutchinson stated his feeling that the proposed Ordinance has to do with aesthetics and that there is a simple solution to oversized vehicles parking near schools, but the Commissioners do not want to listen to it because their minds were made up prior to this meeting.

Mike Griffith, 1408 Harkness Street, said that, while this has been presented as a safety issue, the real issue is aesthetics. He indicated that a very small number of RV owners are causing problems and stated his disagreement with the proposed Ordinance, which would be discriminatory. Mr. Griffith noted his letter of April 21, 2010 (of record, in agenda packet) in which he requested information on documented accidents involving RVs in Manhattan Beach.

Dennis White, 33rd Street, Supports parking restrictions for Oversized Vehicles and agreed that the issue appears to be about aesthetic. He said; that the information about parking oversized vehicles near schools and the definition of City property and whether oversized vehicles can park on it should be more specific and that the Ordinance should address RV owners parking their RVs in their driveways/front yards.

Timothy Jones, 115 Morningside Drive, expressed his viewpoint that the proposed Ordinance is based on personal, subjective feelings of what should be parked where. He contended that law abiding RV owners should not be penalized and that any problems with RVs in Manhattan Beach could be resolved if the 72-hour parking restrictions were enforced.

Stephanie Monash, 1805 Herrin Drive, Manhattan Beach RV Owners' Association, voiced concern that there has been no discussion about the burdens of RV storage and related fees. She stated her understanding that the City of Redondo Beach does not plan to charge for oversized vehicle permits, nor do they plan to implement a daily use fee. She agreed that enforcement of the 72-hour parking restriction could resolve the problem.

Lynn Griffith, 1408 Harkness Street, related her concern about the financial hardship resulting from storing RVs. She provided input on how her family's RV enhances their family life/sense of neighborhood and pointed out the inequity with the proposed requirements applying to oversized vehicles, but not monster trucks.

Kristi Hutchinson, 1513 Manzanita Lane, shared information about problems with the notification of this item and she asked the Commission to work with residents in resolving this issue. Ms. Hutchinson voiced her impression that have been very little

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problems with RVs in the City and she agreed that oversized vehicles should be prohibited from parking near schools and that violations of existing restrictions should be enforced.

Gerry O'Connor, No Address Provided, suggested that the Parking and Public Improvements Commission be broadcast. He said that there is a clear problem with the definition of quantification based on valid current data; that solutions are easy when problems are not properly defined; that this item was inadequately noticed; that very few of the total number of RVs in Manhattan Beach are the problem and a fairly broad approach has been taken; that visibility and safety near schools are valid concerns; that many concerns expressed have been due to aesthetics; that he has yet to hear an accurate quantification of the clear magnitude of the problem; and that, rather than prohibit them, oversized vehicles should be allowed with exceptions. Mr. O'Connor suggested that the specific problem should be addressed; that a visibility ordinance which includes discretion and warnings could be created; and that the 72-hour parking restriction could be adjusted to require a minimum distance the vehicle must be moved.

Ron Symmes, 1320 8th Street, explained that the proposed requirements would make it very difficult for RV owners to use their vehicles as they normally would. He stated his concern over the possibility of having to store his RV away from his home and expressed his concern that the proposed Ordinance would not apply to smaller RVs, which are of dispute amongst neighbors in the City.

Commission Discussion

A lengthy discussion began with Commissioner Gross explaining that, as a boat owner, he understands the financial and inconvenience concerns expressed over storing RVs, as well as how important RVs are to lifestyles; that this issue arose as a result of many citizen complaints, safety and aesthetics, which is part of the issue and can be considered in an ordinance; that the proposed Ordinance is modeled after successful ordinances in other cities; that communications received, including those from individuals who do not own RVs, will be taken into account; and that the Police Department currently has no means of enforcing the 72-hour parking limit or controlling RV storage on private property.

Commissioner Stabile related his understanding that many communities have ordinances similar to the proposed and that, even though there are a small number of violators, Manhattan Beach does not currently have the tools to enforce the 72-hour parking limit. Commissioner Stabile pointed that there are general costs associated with owning an RV and he related his continued feeling that a permit system might not be the best way to deal with this problem; but, viable alternatives to address citizen complaints, safety and aesthetics have not been presented.

Commissioner Vigon noted the difficulty of balancing the different special interests of citizens. He discussed that many communities have adopted ordinances similar to the proposed and that no solutions better than the proposed Ordinance have been suggested. Commissioner Vigon said that he remains in favor of the proposed Ordinance, even though it was inspired by a very small minority, and it was his viewpoint that the violation fees should be high enough to encourage strong compliance and that this is about the greater good and not personal freedom.

Commissioner Adami explained that, even though he supports less government; there have been many complaints and no solutions better than the proposed Ordinance have been recommended.

Chairman Silverman agreed that this is about the greater good and he voiced his understanding that many residents are unhappy about RVs in neighborhoods do not confront their neighbors. He expressed his opinion that land in Manhattan Beach is very tight and must be protected; that the Ordinance should include a grace period; and that the City Attorney should examine the question of discrimination. Chairman Silverman verified that the Commission's consideration of this topic has been appropriately advertised and he recommended that Mr. DeBaets and Mr. O'Connor be given additional time to speak to offer alternatives to resolve this problem without an ordinance, with which his fellow Commissioners agreed.

Returning to the podium, **Steve DeBaets** suggested a three-tier, off-street parking program for oversized vehicles, as described in his letter of April 24, 2010 (of record, in agenda packets).

Gerry O'Connor came forward again to propose that oversized vehicles be prohibited from parking near schools; that an ordinance addressing visibility and safety issues be developed; that one warning per vehicle be allowed; and that the existing 72-hour limit be revised to include a minimum movement requirement.

The Commission discussed that the speakers' proposals would not assist in enforcing the 72-hour parking requirement.

Commissioner Vigon stated his objection to an exemption based on how a vehicle is configured -- specifically, its size. He suggested that the proposed Ordinance include towing after a certain number of violations and that citations escalate to discourage an owner from choosing to pay citations and store their oversized vehicles at home.

In answer to questions from the Commission, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet provided information about parking exemptions for oversized vehicles with handicapped placards. He clarified that it is not necessary to address vehicles with handicapped placards in the proposed Ordinance because they are addressed in a separate policy.

An Unidentified Speaker returned to the podium to suggest that, in order to allow owners to load up their RVs during the day, the parking of oversized vehicles on the street without permits be prohibited over night.

Lt. Harrod explained that prohibiting the parking of oversized vehicles on the street without permits over night would unfairly task Police Officers working the late shift.

The Commission discussed recommended modifications to the proposed Ordinance as suggested by Commissioner Stabile and agreed to the following:

Section 14.4.010 Definitions

"Oversized Vehicle' shall mean any vehicle, as defined by Section 670 of the California Vehicle Code, or combination of vehicles, which exceeds twenty-two

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feet in length or seven feet in width or eight feet in height, exclusive of projecting lights or devices allowed by Section 35109 or 35110 of the California Vehicle Code. (Deleted last line.)”

Section 14.16.020 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Trailers

Add at the beginning of this section: “Except as otherwise provided in this chapter.”

Section 14.46.050 Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit–Issuance of Permits

A1. “Daily Parking Permits issued and approved by the Police Department shall include the registration number and license plate number of the designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer and the date for which it is valid.”

A2. “An Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit shall be valid for a period of not to exceed 24 hours. An Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit will be valid from 11:00 a.m. one day until 10:59 a.m. the next day...”

B1b. “Proof of Manhattan Beach residency:

Acceptable proof of residency must be current and must include the following: California Driver’s License or California Identification Card and one of the following: Property Tax Bill or Public Utility Bill. Telephone bills are not acceptable.”

B1c. “The name, address, and phone number of the registered owner or renter of designated Oversized Vehicle or Trailer;”

Section 14.46.090 Violation of Chapter

B. “Any person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker is guilty of a misdemeanor.”

C. “Any person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Daily Parking Permit or Permit number is guilty of a misdemeanor.”

E. “Any person who parks or leaves standing an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer on a public street or highway without a valid Oversized Vehicle or Trailer Daily Parking Permit will be subject to citation, towing or both.”

F. “Any person who parks or leaves standing an Oversized Vehicle or Trailer on a portion of public street where signs are erected that prohibits oversized vehicle parking will be subject to citation, towing or both.”

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet confirmed that it is within the Commission’s purview to make recommendations regarding citation fines.

MOTION: Chairman Silverman moved to recommend to the City Council that the proposed Oversized Vehicle Ordinance be adopted as amended pursuant to discussion this evening. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gross and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

Ayes: Adami, Gross, Stabile, Vigon and Chairman Silverman.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

MOTION: Commissioner Stabile moved to recommend to the City Council that the fine for violating the proposed Oversized Vehicle Ordinance shall be three times the ordinary parking violation fine; that, if the oversized vehicle shows a safety problem when cited, it shall be towed; and that otherwise, oversized vehicles shall be towed on the third violation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gross and passed by a 3-2 majority roll call vote, with Commissioner Adami and Chairman Silverman dissenting:

Ayes: Gross, Stabile and Vigon.
Noes: Adami and Chairman Silverman.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

Commissioner Adami and Chairman Silverman explained their dissenting votes due to their opinions that it is not the Commission's job to recommend citation fines to the City Council and the fines should be determined by staff.

F. COMMISSION ITEMS

F1. In answer to an inquiry from Commissioner Adami, Management Analyst Madrid provided input on the information technology available in Council Chambers.

F2. Commissioner Gross provided input about individuals in an extra-wide truck who were supposedly doing a study for the City. Staff will look into this and report back.

F3. Management Analyst Madrid advised Commissioner Stabile that the City Council has not recently acted on any recommendations made by the Commission.

F4. Commissioners Vigon and Stabile asked staff to examine the project the Commission previously considered at 441 2nd Street to verify that it is in compliance with the City Council's approval.

F5. In response to a comment from Chairman Silverman, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet verified that staff is aware of problems with Smart Car parking spaces and he advised that consideration is being given to changing the wording on Smart Car parking signs.

G. STAFF ITEMS

08/26/10-4 ***Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Report: Receive and File***

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Received and filed.

08/26/10-5 Notice to Cancel September 23, 2010 PPIC Meeting

Management Analyst Madrid advised that the Parking and Public Improvements meeting on September 23, 2010 has been cancelled and the next regular meeting will be on October 28, 2010.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m. to Thursday, October 28, 2010.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

At 8:58 p.m. the Council recessed and reconvened at 9:13 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

12/21/10-14. Consideration of Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) Recommendation for City Council 2009-2010 Work Plan Item to Implement an Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit Program Through the Introduction of Ordinance No. 2139 Amending Chapter 14.36 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code and Ordinance No. 2140 Adding Chapter 14.46 to the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code

Interim City Manager Richard Thompson introduced the subject item and Police Lieutenant Andy Harrod provided a PowerPoint presentation.

The following individuals spoken on this item:

- **Steve DeBaets, Representative of the Manhattan Beach Recreational Vehicle (RV) Owners Association**
- **Larry Conley, 18th Street**
- **Stephanie Monash, No Address Provided**
- **Ellen Chao, 1700 Block of Walnut Avenue**
- **Gerry O’Conner, No Address Provided**
- **Daniel Hutchinson, Liberty Village**
- **Monica Vega, No Address Provided**
- **John Vega, No Address Provided**

MOTION: Councilmember Ward moved to adopt Ordinance Nos. 2139 and 2140.

Prior to a vote, Council continued the discussion.

Council directed staff to return with an Ordinance setting up a complaint driven process for oversized vehicles including the following details: there will be no local registration, permits or fees; there will be a 48 72 hour limit; a citation will be issued after a second complaint within 72 hours (the oversized must be out of the city after 72 hours); the cost of a citation will be \$135.00; all oversized vehicles are prohibited around schools, parks, and ~~other public gathering areas~~ community centers; and detached trailers are prohibited.

Hearing no objection it was so ordered.