

STAFF REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 22, 2005

To: Mayor and City Council

From: George J. Rodericks, City Manager

**SUBJECT: BAND SPONSORED CAR SHOW
MAY 14, 2005
PARKING REQUEST**

BACKGROUND

The Villa Park High School Band is planning a car show for Saturday, May 14, 2005. The event is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a snack bar selling breakfast items and BBQ items for lunch. Late model car owners will pay a pre-registration fee to parking in the high school student lot and display their vehicle. Vendors will also be in attendance at the event. A disc jockey will be providing music for the event and the high school jazz band will perform. The School District and Activities Director have approved the event.

Spectators will be parking in the teacher lot with possible overflow to street parking. The Villa Park High School Booster Club, Villa Park High School Band, and Villa Park High School are requesting permission for a one day parking variance to allow parking on the north and south side of Taft Avenue between Santiago Boulevard and Center Drive. There will be parking along Nichols Avenue as well.

FINDINGS

The applicable sections of the Villa Park Municipal Code are:

- Section 19-3.3 of the Villa Park Municipal Code restricts parking on the south side of Taft Avenue from Santiago Boulevard to Center Drive through a series of mixed one-hour parking, no parking, no stopping, and loading zones.
- Section 19-3.4 of the Villa Park Municipal Code prohibits parking on the north side of Taft Avenue from Santiago Boulevard to Center Drive.
- Section 19-3.1 of the Villa Park Municipal Code restricts parking on Nichols Avenue from Taft Avenue to Serrano Avenue from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on school days only.

Signs can be covered and/or temporary signs setup to allow parking in any restricted areas, subject to review by the City's Traffic Engineer for safety. As school is not in session during the event, parking on Nichols Avenue is not an issue.

It is also recommended that Villa Park High School assist with traffic control and direction by providing volunteers or staff to help direct parking within the parking lot and overflow parking onto the street.

A similar event was held without incident in November 2004.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the City Traffic Engineer to review the parking restrictions on Taft Avenue and authorize the placement of temporary signs and/or the covering of existing signs where appropriate to accommodate the event; and
- 2) Require Villa Park High School to assist with traffic control and direction during the event by providing volunteers or staff to help direct parking within the parking lot and overflow parking onto the street.