



CITY OF VILLA PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

July 13, 2006 – City Council Chamber
4:00 PM

The Community Development Committee, a subcommittee of the Villa Park City Council, welcomes you to this meeting. We encourage your participation. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. If final action is to be taken on an item it will be noted on the agenda, otherwise, all actions are to be considered recommendations to the full City Council.

If you wish to speak on an item contained on the agenda, please ask to be recognized at the time the item is being considered. Upon recognition by the Committee Chair, state your name and address for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers will be limited to a time period set by the presiding officer. If you wish to speak on an item that is not on the agenda, please do so during the periods listed for Oral Communications.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem Rich Ulmer
Councilmember Bob Bell

FLAG SALUTE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the public in attendance wishing to address the **Community Development Committee** on matters not otherwise appearing on the agenda, upon recognition by the Chair, state their name, address, and subject. Unless the presiding officer grants further time, address time shall be limited to three (3) minutes.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. Proposal to Re-Zone E-4 Residential to Commercial-Neighborhood Zone
The City received a preliminary proposal for developing a parking lot at the corner of Meats Avenue and Santiago Boulevard, specifically at 9562 Santiago Boulevard. The property is within the E-4 Residential Zone and currently is developed as a single family residence. The applicant, Lutheran High School, is proposing to develop a 209 space parking lot for use by students at the High School which is approximately 600 feet to the north on the opposite side of Santiago Boulevard. The E-4 Residential Zone does not allow a parking lot use, therefore, it is proposed that the City consider re-zoning the property to that of Commercial-Neighborhood (CN) zone, which allows the use of a parking lot by conditional use permit. In the past, it has been proposed to re-zone the area bounded by Meats Avenue, Santiago Boulevard, Serrano Avenue, and Serrano Elementary to a commercial zone. The area currently has one residential property and three properties that have commercial uses granted by the conditional use process. The residential property is owned by a neighboring property owner who operates a commercial use. At this time, staff is looking for preliminary direction from the

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Community Development Committee as to whether a re-zoning to commercial use would be considered consistent with the area.

Recommendation: Provide direction to Staff.

2. Proposed Amendments to the Villa Park Municipal Code relating to Parking

Over the course of the prior year, the Community Development Committee has reviewed various parking issues related to on-street parking. These issues include parking adjacent to the High School; overnight parking on City streets; and oversized vehicle parking on streets to include recreational vehicles. With regarding to parking impacted by students from the High School, several approaches have been taken, some successfully, which have resulted in two different limits on adjacent neighborhoods and some neighborhoods not having any restrictions. It is proposed that a uniform approach to parking controls be reviewed to include a two hour limit that exempts residents and guests. With regard to overnight parking, various concerns from overnight parking have been expressed. In a review of government codes and codes from other jurisdictions, it is proposed to review a parking restriction from 2 AM to 6 AM on city streets. And finally, it is proposed to tighten up the City's regulations on over-sized vehicles, including recreational vehicles, which are currently allowed to be parked on City streets for no longer than 72 hours. However, the City code is silent on the ability to reset the 72 hour period, thereby effectively allowing parking or storage of oversized vehicles on City streets for indefinite periods as long as the vehicle is moved slightly every 72 hours. Proposed changes for review are attached.

Recommendation: Review the proposed amendments and provide staff direction/changes to incorporate for July City Council meeting.

3. Request to Submit to Voters an Initiative to Repeal the Prohibition on Safe and Sane Fireworks

It has been suggested that the City review the prohibition on allowing the sale and use of safe and sane fireworks for July 4th celebrations and that a November ballot initiative be proposed for voter consideration. Accordingly, it is proposed that the Community Development Committee discuss the item.

Recommendation: Discuss and provide staff appropriate feedback.

4. Vacant Property Standards

It has been suggested that the City establish standards for vacant lots as a method to provide a level of maintenance sufficient for general appearance and upkeep in order to avoid public nuisance situations.

Recommendation: Discuss and provide staff appropriate feedback.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS

Members of the Community Development Committee may make comments at this time or direct staff on items under the purview of the Committee for report back at either the City Council meeting or following Community Development Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Section 19-2.3. Oversized Vehicle Parking Regulations.

No person shall park and leave standing upon any public street or highway in a "residence district" any motor vehicle of a length in excess of ~~twenty-five (25)~~ nineteen (19) feet or a weight in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds; also prohibited from being parked on public streets and highways in a "residence district" is any vehicle used or maintained for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation or profit, and designed, used or maintained for the transportation of property, including buses, motor trucks, trailers, semitrailers, trailer coaches or truck tractors as defined in the Vehicle Code and similar vehicles of a width in excess of ninety (90) inches as measured at the widest portion of the body not including mirrors or other extensions, or any item of farm machinery or special-purpose machine. Prohibited vehicles may be parked on public "residence district" streets and highways while loading or unloading persons and/or property; or when such vehicle is parked in connection with, or in aid of the performance of a service to or on a property in the block in which such vehicle is parked; or to perform repairs of an emergency nature on the motor vehicle itself, for a maximum of seventy-two (72) consecutive hours within a seven (7) day period.

(Ord. #80-299, § 3; Ord. #83-326, § 3; Ord. #87-355, § 1)

Section 19-2.10. Overnight Parking Prohibited

Except as in this section otherwise provided, no person shall park any vehicle on any street or highway in the city between the hours of two a.m. and six a.m. of any day.

- a. EXEMPTIONS: Any vehicle may be so parked while the person in control thereof is on an emergency call and such vehicle while so parked:
1. Is occupied by a person who upon the demand of a police officer explains the circumstances of such call; or
 2. Contains, in plain view from the outside of such vehicle, on the left side of the windshield, or on a window on the left side, or at the rear, of such vehicle, a notice stating that such vehicle is on an emergency call; or
 3. Is an ambulance, a law enforcement or public protection vehicle; or
 4. Is clearly marked by signs on its left side or on its rear portion or on its rear bumper showing that it is a vehicle of a physician or surgeon or a service vehicle of a plumber or electrician or of a municipal or public utility.
- b. DEFINITIONS: As used in this section:

1. VEHICLE means a device by which any person or property may be propelled, moved, or drawn upon a highway and includes any self-propelled device and any device containing one or more wheels, rollers, cogs or tracks thereby capable of moving or being moved upon a highway;
 2. STREET OR HIGHWAY means a way or place publicly maintained and open to the public to use for the movement of vehicles;
 3. PARK means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in, loading or unloading merchandise or passengers;
 4. EMERGENCY CALL means any call pertaining to any investigation or other activity of a law enforcement official and any call to provide any immediate need caused by the condition of any person or property.
 5. EXCEPTIONS: Certain areas may be excepted from the provisions of this section by resolution of the City Council.
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Amend Section 19-3.2 Two-Hour Parking Limit to read:

Section 19-3.2. Two-Hour Residential-School (RS) District Parking Limit

No person shall park, stop, or leave standing a motor vehicle on the following streets listed under subsection (a) on any weekday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. for a period longer than two (2) hours unless on which is displayed a valid parking permit as provided for pursuant to subsection (b) or exempt per subsection (c):

a. The following streets shall be considered within the Two-Hour RS District:

1. Smokewood Drive
2. Oakfield Drive
3. Oakwood Drive
4. Alta Drive
5. Colony Grove Circle
6. Bixby Circle
7. Windsor Drive
8. Phelan Drive
9. Winchester Circle
10. Coral Tree Circle
11. Stratford Circle
12. Westwood Drive
13. Athens Avenue
14. Huntington Circle

- 15. Prado Woods Drive
- 16. Prado Circle
- 17. Sherwood Circle
- 18. Little John Way
- 19. Robinhood Circle

- b. Valid parking permits shall be issued for residents by the City Manager after providing verifiable proof of residency. Not more than four (4) resident permits shall be issued unless as approved by the City Manager. Not more than eight (8) guest permits shall be issued to any one (1) dwelling at any one (1) time. Guest permits shall be valid for a period not to exceed one (1) week and shall not be replaced if lost or stolen. Such permits may be extended on a week-by-week basis as approved by the City Manager.
- c. The following vehicles shall be exempt from parking restrictions established pursuant to this section: a motor vehicle owned by or operated under contract to a utility whether privately, municipally or publicly owned, when used in the construction, operation, removal, or repair of utility property or facilities or engaged in authorized work in the RS district; a motor vehicle parked in connection with, or in aid of the performance of a service to or on a property in the block in which such vehicle is parked; to perform repairs of an emergency nature on the motor vehicle itself; or a motor vehicle owned by a government entity.