

REPORT TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET

DATE ISSUED: February 10, 2010
ATTENTION: Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee
Agenda of February 17, 2010
ORIGINATING DEPT.: Engineering & Capital Projects, Transportation Engineering Operations
SUBJECT: Parking Program for Pedicabs
Council Districts: 2
Staff Contact: Deborah Van Wanseele, 533-3012, MS 608 or
Siavash Pazargadi, 533-3757, MS 609

REQUESTED ACTION:

Adopt the proposed ordinance amending the San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) Section 86.06 to add Pedicab Resting Area to the zones the City Manager is authorized to establish.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Downtown businesses, resident groups and the Downtown Parking Management Group (DPMG) have expressed concerns as to parking for pedicab operators. Pedicab parking at metered spaces is negatively affecting the availability of parking for patrons. This request is to create rest and time limit parking areas in the public right of way for pedicabs.

Two types of pedicab areas are being proposed in only the Restricted Pedicab Downtown Zone (see attached description and map). The first of these waiting areas will be called a Pedicab Passenger Loading Zone. These will be similar to Taxi Stands where the operator must remain within 15 feet of their vehicle. The Pedicab Passenger Loading Zones will have a 30, 60 or 90 minute maximum occupancy time limit for each individual pedicab to ensure turnover as appropriate for the specific location. They will be primarily obtained by removing excess red curb at corners. There will be no loss of current metered parking spaces. The Pedicab Passenger Loading Zones will be identified by signage. This authorization currently exists under the Municipal Code.

During the discussions on implementing the Pedicab Passenger Loading Zones, pedicab operators requested places to temporarily park (to secure food, water, and take restroom breaks). This gives rise to the second type of pedicab waiting area that is being proposed, a Pedicab Resting Area. The Pedicab Resting Areas will allow pedicab operators to park and leave their vehicles for up to 30 minutes. They too will be primarily obtained by removing excess red curbing with no loss of metered parking spaces and designated by signage.

In order to enact the Pedicab Resting Area the Municipal Code needs to be amended.

The Pedicab Restricted Zone Decal, issued by the Engineering and Capital Projects Department, will serve as the permit for both the Pedicab Passenger Loading Zones and the Pedicab Resting Areas. No parking will be allowed in these zones by bicycles, mopeds, segways, horse-drawn carriages or any other motorized or non-motorized vehicle that is not displaying a Pedicab Restricted Zone Decal. We will work with the area businesses and residents via their designated community parking and planning groups, to identify and install such zones.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The total cost of removing red curb and installing signage at each zone is \$160. Streets Division will absorb this cost in their operations and maintenance budget.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL and/or COMMITTEE ACTION:

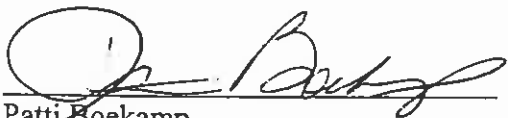
Council approved modifications to the Municipal Code related to pedicabs on September 11, 2009, by Ordinance 19898 N.S.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION and PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS:

The Downtown Parking Management Group, the parking advisory committee of the Center City Advisory Committee, heard and approved this item at their November 5, 2009 public meeting. The Gaslamp Quarter Association, the Business Improvement District for the gaslamp area of downtown, has been contacted and has indicated their support for the program.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS and PROJECTED IMPACTS (if applicable):

Pedicab operators, vehicle drivers, visitors, business owners and residents of Downtown.



Patti Boekamp
Director
Engineering & Capital Projects

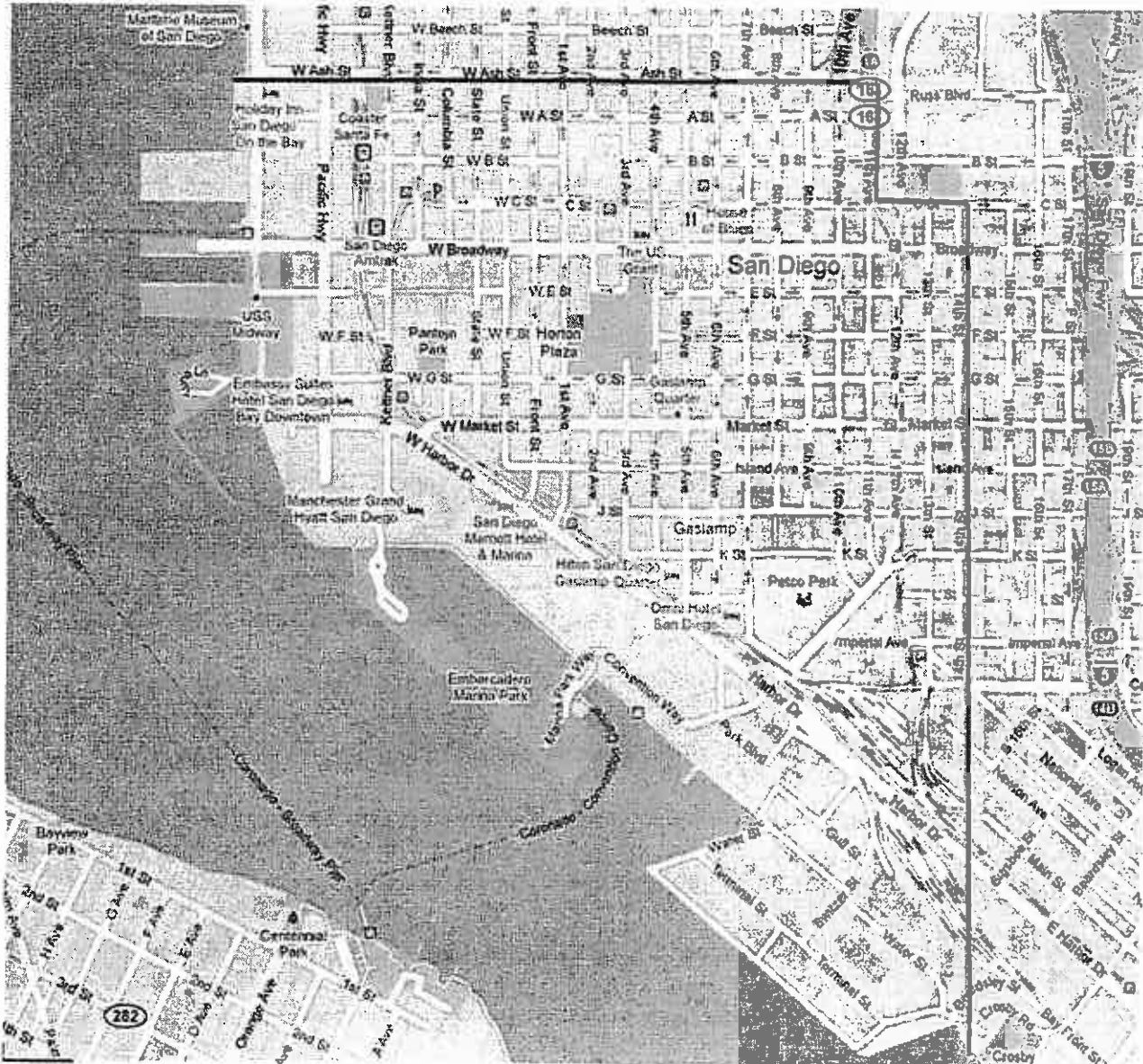


David Jarrell
Deputy Chief Operating Officer
Public Works

The Restricted Pedicab Downtown Zone is described and shown below:

The area bordered by:

The south curb line of Ash Street between San Diego Bay and Eleventh Avenue,
the east curb line of Eleventh Avenue between Ash Street and C Street,
the north curb line of C Street between Eleventh Avenue and 14th Street,
and the east curb line of 14th Street between C Street and San Diego Bay.



ORDINANCE NUMBER O-_____ (NEW SERIES)

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AMENDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 6, DIVISION 00, OF THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 86.01 RELATED TO TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES.

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WHEREAS, [Type Here]; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 8, Article 6, Division 00, of the San Diego Municipal Code is amended by amending section 86.01, to read as follows:

§86.06 Parking, Standing, Loading Zones, Street Sweeping Zones

Except as provided in section 75.0604 of this Municipal Code for establishment of jitney holding zones, the City Manager is hereby authorized to determine the location of Loading Zones, Passenger Loading Zones, Bus Loading Zones, Taxi Zones, prohibited Standing or Parking Zones, Time-Limited Parking Zones of 30 Minutes or Less, Time-Limited Parking Zones for Ballpark Event Residential Permit Parking Districts, Safety Zones, Disabled Persons Parking Zones, Alley Parking Zones, Consular Parking Zones, Street Sweeping Zones, Pedicab Passenger Loading Zones and Pedicab Resting Areas. Such zones shall be effective when appropriate signs or curb markings giving notice thereof are erected upon such zones.

Section 2. That a full reading of this ordinance is dispensed with prior to its passage, a written or printed copy having been available to the City Council and the public a day prior to its passage.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from and after its final passage.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By _____
Ryan Kohut
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of _____

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

STRIKEOUT ORDINANCE

OLD LANGUAGE: ~~STRIKEOUT~~

NEW LANGUAGE: UNDERLINE

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