

# TRAFFIC ENGINEERING COMMITTEE AGENDA

UKIAH CIVIC CENTER  
Conference Room No. 5  
411 West Clay Street  
Ukiah, California 95482

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013  
3:00 P.M.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Turner, Baxter, Seanor, Whitaker, Kageyama, Lampi, Taylor, Jordan

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 8, 2013

3. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

The Traffic Engineering Committee welcomes input from the audience. In order for everyone to be heard, please limit your comments to three (3) minutes per person and not more than 10 minutes per subject. The Brown Act regulations do not allow action to be taken on non-agenda items.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding request for perpendicular parking at 798 South Spring Street (report attached)

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

7. **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the City of Ukiah City Hall, located at 300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah, California, not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting set forth on this agenda.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2013  
Jarod Thiele, Recording Secretary

# TRAFFIC ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

UKIAH CIVIC CENTER  
Conference Room No. 3  
300 Seminary Avenue  
Ukiah, California 95482

TUESDAY, January 8, 2013  
3:00 P.M.

## Members Present

Dan Baxter, MTA, Vice-Chair  
Ben Kageyama, Staff  
John Lampi, Public Representative  
Trent Taylor, UPD  
Kim Jordan, Staff  
Jerry Whitaker, Staff  
Rick Seanor, Staff

## Others Present

Glen Donalson  
Martin Bradley

## Members Absent

Steve Turner, Chair

## Staff Present

Jarod Thiele, Recording Secretary

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Baxter called the Traffic Engineering Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - December 11, 2012

M/S Whitaker/Jordan to approve the minutes of December 11, 2012, as presented. Motion carried by an all AYE voice vote.

### 3. AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

### 4. OLD BUSINESS

#### 4a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Vehicle Parking along Mill Street and Carolyn Street (report attached)

Member Seanor commented that the item is regarding parking along Mill Street and Carolyn Street and this item was discussed May 6, 2011. The report and minutes are included. The red curb was extended from the corner at that time. He also commented that there is an ordinance prohibiting vehicles over 11,000 pounds to park in a residential neighborhood.

Glen Donalson gave public comment and said that he uses Mill Street instead of Gobbi Street as it is less busy and there is a signal to allow for easier crossing of State Street to the East. He has noticed that a truck and trailer both park on the street and are 8 feet wide and vehicles commonly cross the center line to pass the truck and trailer. The owner of the trailer had been asked to move the trailer and has done so but the truck is still too wide and creates a hazard.

Member Whitaker brought photos from this morning to show the committee where vehicles were parked. He also commented that if the vehicle owner on the south side of the street is required to move his vehicle, the owner of the vehicle on the north side should be required to move theirs as well.

Member Taylor commented that when this item was heard in May the owner was present and he moved it to Mill Street from Carolyn Street because residents on Carolyn Street complained about it being located

1 there. He also commented that if parking is removed on that street, it would have to be for the whole  
2 street.

4 **Glen Donalson** commented that the ordinance should be reflective of the width of the street and not  
5 necessarily the height.

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7 **M/S:** No action taken  
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10 **4b. Discussion and Possible Action request for no parking zone at 432 Observatory Avenue (report**  
11 **attached)**

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13 **Member Seanor** presented the item requesting no parking adjacent to 432 Observatory Avenue as it  
14 inhibits sight distance for pedestrians crossing Observatory Street.

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16 **Member Whitaker** asked what time the school lets out. **Martin Bradley** said it varies depending on which  
17 activities are occurring each day.

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19 **Martin Bradley** requested 10 feet of white curb and 20 feet of red curb on either side of the driveway or a  
20 24-minute zone. He also commented that if a curb is red, white or green, it may be enough of a deterrent  
21 to keep people from parking there long term.

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23 **Member Whitaker** commented that he felt 30 feet would be more appropriate and that white curbs are for  
24 passenger loading zones.

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26 **Member Taylor** asked if it would be better to wait until the park project is finished to see how much it is  
27 utilized.

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29 **Member Bradley** said that if it weren't being used for its current use this probably would not be an issue.

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31 **Member Kageyama** commented he would be more supportive of having red curb so people know not to  
32 park there.

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34 **Member Jordan** asked what distance **Mr. Bradley** would prefer and he said he would be willing to try 6 feet  
35 and see how it worked.

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37 **M/S: Whitaker/Jordan** to paint 6 feet on either side of the driveway. Motion carried by an all AYE voice  
38 vote.

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41 **5. NEW BUSINESS**

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44 **5a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Speeding Vehicles along West Standley Street**  
45 **(report attached)**

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47 **Member Seanor** presented the item and said he received a request from a resident on West Standley  
48 regarding speeding vehicles. He included the recent speed zone study and that the 25 mph limit is  
49 appropriate.

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51 **Member Taylor** said he would put it on the directed enforcement list. The committee agreed by consensus.  
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54 **6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

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56 **Member Whitaker** commented that a stop sign as well as a premark stop on the pavement was installed at

1 the intersection of Cypress and Pine.  
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4 **7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

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8 **8. ADJOURNMENT**

9 There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

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Jarod Thiele, Recording Secretary  
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# CITY OF UKIAH MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 8, 2013

**TO:** Traffic Engineering Committee

**FROM:** Rick Seanor, Deputy Director of Public Works 

**SUBJECT:** Discussion and Possible Action regarding request for perpendicular parking at 798 South Spring Street  
Agenda Item 4a.

**REQUEST:** Staff received a copy of an email from Darca Nicholson requesting the option to park perpendicular, rather than parallel, to the curb in the vicinity of 798 South Spring Street (see Attachment "A").

**DISCUSSION:** A photo map of the area is included for reference as Attachment "B". Staff drove to 798 S. Spring St. and parked a City vehicle parallel to the curb. As shown in the photos, Attachment "C", staff was able to parallel park legally with both tires within 18 inches of the curb. As a demonstration of perpendicular parking a City pickup parked at the subject location (see photo, Attachment "C"). As shown, the front end of the vehicle extends over the sidewalk. In this example, the sidewalk width is effectively reduced to the point where ADA access is not available. In addition, perpendicular parking restricts access for fire and ambulance vehicles. California Vehicle Code section 22502 requires vehicles to park in areas with curbs "...with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle parallel with and within 18 inches of the right-hand curb..." (see attached excerpt from section 22502, Attachment "D").

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff is submitting this report for review and discussion by the TEC. Staff has provided the following options for consideration:

1. Deny the request for perpendicular parking at 798 South Spring Street.
2. Take no action.
3. Refer to staff for further analysis.

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cc: Darca Nicholson  
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**From:** Trent Taylor  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 28, 2012 7:20 AM  
**To:** Steve Turner; Tim Eriksen; Rick Seanor; Trent Taylor; Ben Kageyama; Dan Baxter; Kim Jordan; Jerry Whitaker; John Lampi; Jarod Thiele  
**Subject:** Another request for the TEC agenda

TEC,

I received this email from this lady today requesting a change in the parking rules to allow residents there to park nose in to the curb on this inside corner. I had a discussion with another resident earlier in the year about this issue. The vehicle code and our city code state that all vehicles must park with any portion of the right side tires (front and rear) no more than 18" from the curb. We have a number of situations like this one in the City and we also have an issue with them parking nose in, in those areas. One of the main concerns with them parking nose in is access for fire equipment when there is a fire or medical aid.

Please put this on the agenda and provide notification to the requesting party.

***"Parking at 798 South Spring Street & Pomolita Way***

***Historical circumstances***

***I purchased 798 South Spring in August, 1989. At that time, cars parked by my neighbors, Joye & Dave Sperry, as well as Flory Delacruz M.D., owner, parked nose in towards curb. I continued the practice, nose in towards curb, 2 front wheels no more than 18 inches from the curb. Monday, April 9, 2012 at 3:30 AM, my current neighbor Joe Scriven, got a parking ticket for not having right wheels 18 inches from the curb. I sent out emails to friends & clients, informing them that they had to "parallel" park on a curve. For a number of vehicles, it is physically impossible to have 18 inches from the curb for both front & back tires. Would you like me to drop off an actual drawing of the curve, designed to accommodate a 90 degree turn from the end of S Spring to Pomolita Way, a 2 block long street on the north & a one block long street on the south? Also, I started to gather signatures from people about the 'parallel parking' impossible situation. Today, November 27th, I cannot put my hands on the petition but I will, if you would like to see it. I believe Terry Gross, Esq. had also had a phone conversation with you the week of April 12th.***

***Please advise.***

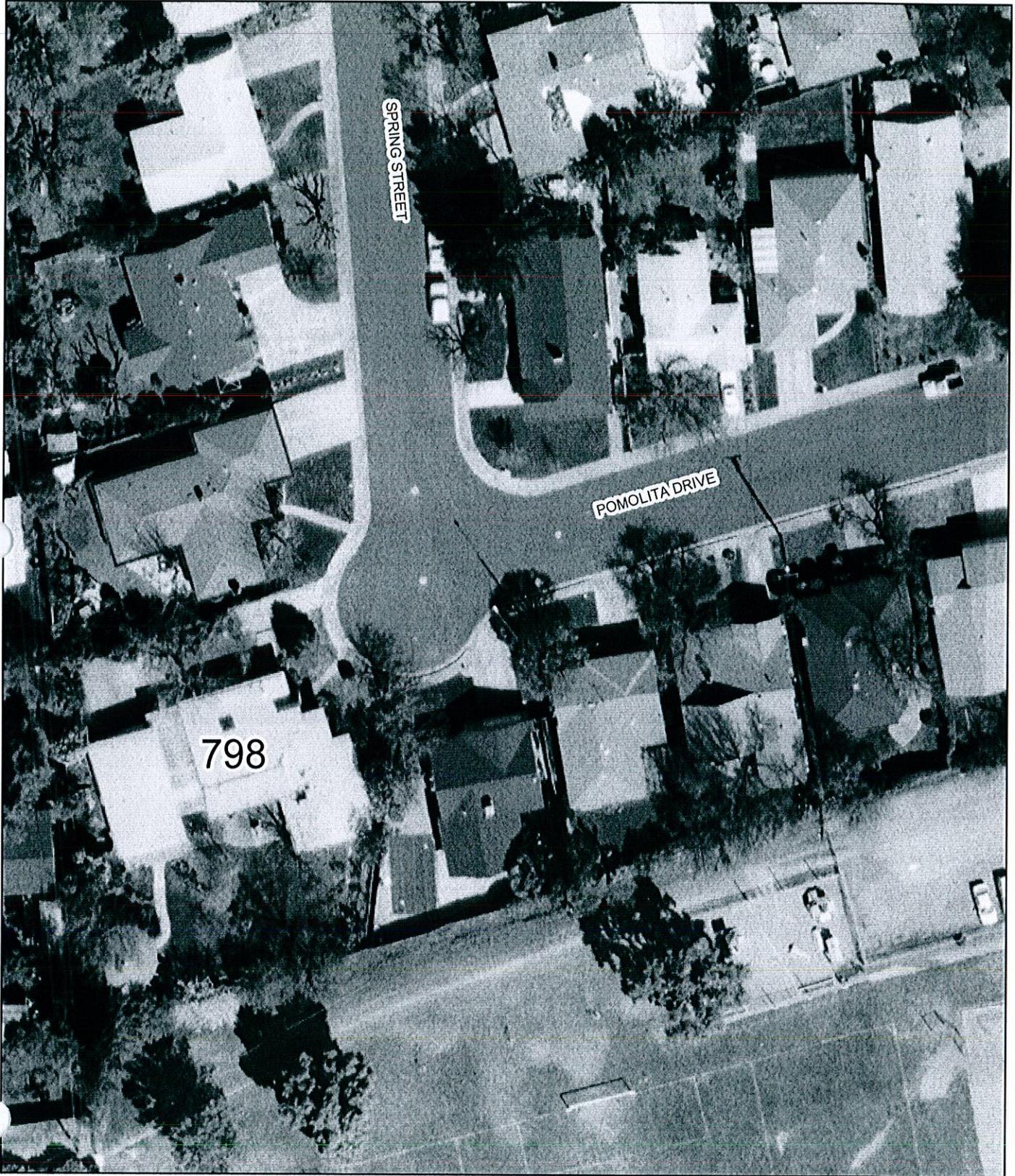
***Kind Regards,***

***Darca Nicholson***

***462-3547"***

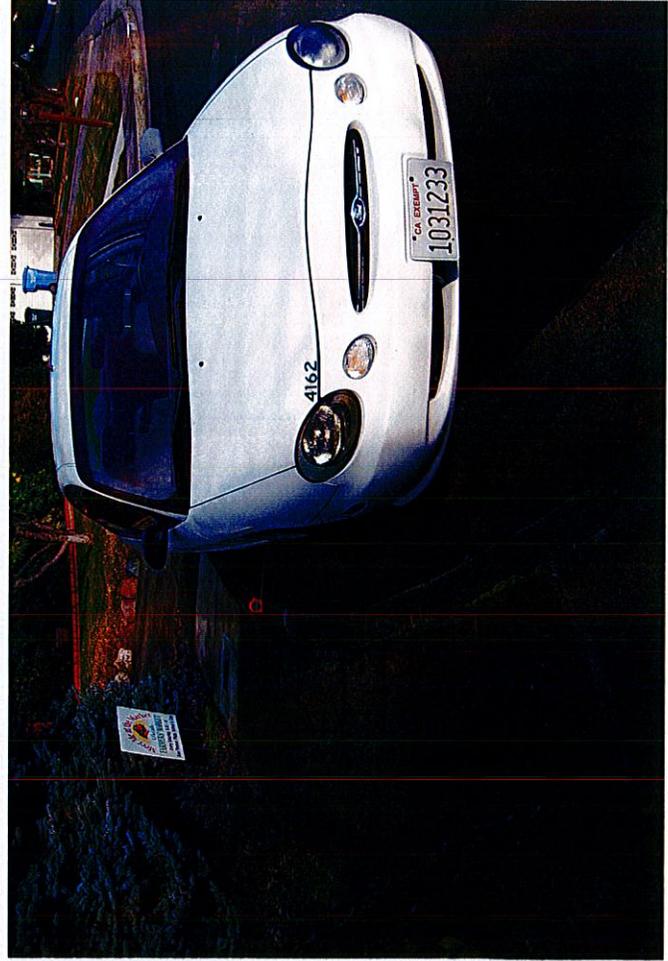
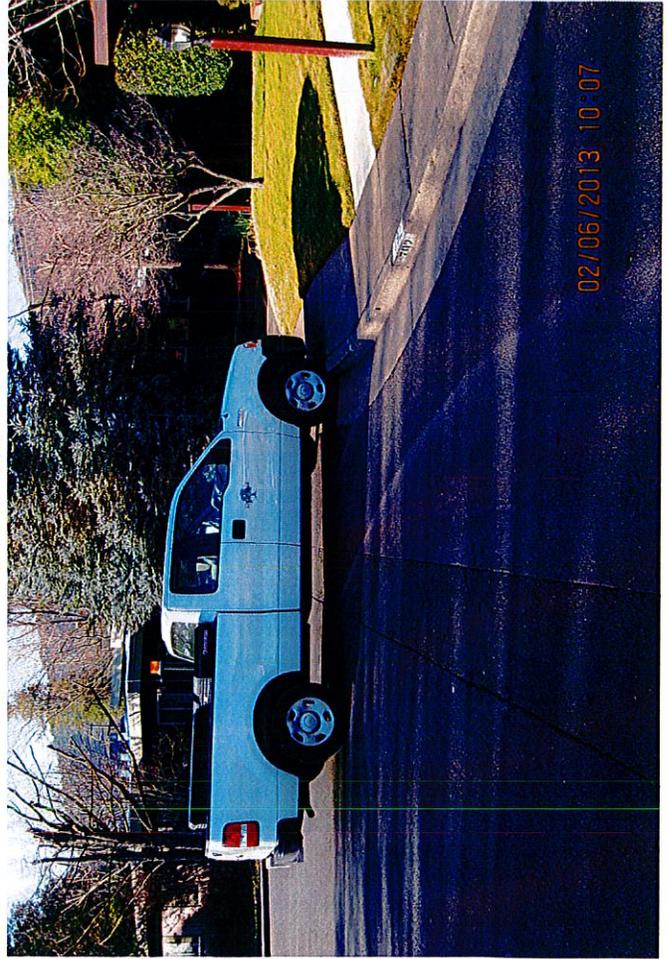
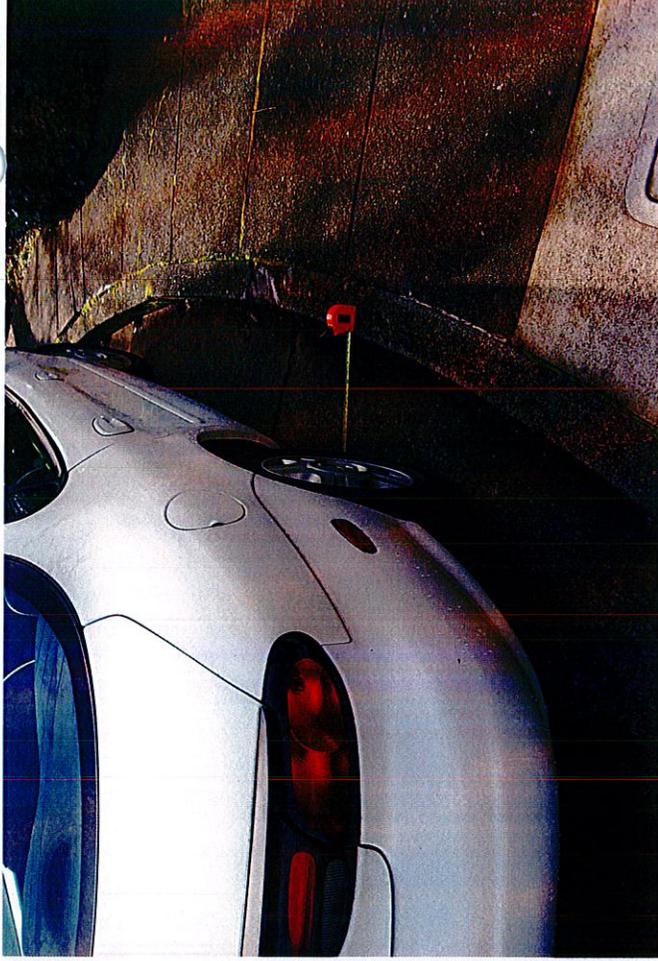
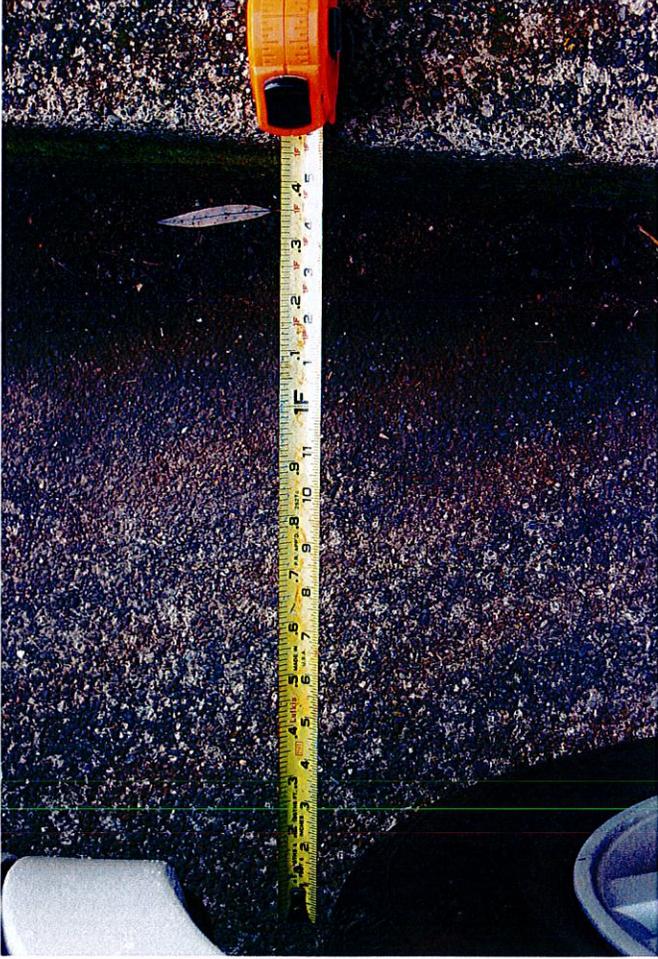


**798 S. Spring St.**



1 inch = 50 feet

Photo Date: March 2001



*CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE (excerpt from Section 22502)*

22502. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a vehicle stopped or parked upon a roadway where there are adjacent curbs shall be stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle parallel with and within 18 inches of the right-hand curb, except that a motorcycle shall be parked with at least one wheel or fender touching the right-hand curb. Where no curbs or barriers bound a two-way roadway, right-hand parallel parking is required unless otherwise indicated.

Attachment # "D"

(b) (1) The provisions of subdivision (a) or (e) do not apply to a commercial vehicle if a variation from the requirements of subdivision (a) or (e) is reasonably necessary to accomplish the loading or unloading of merchandise or passengers on, or from, a vehicle and while anything connected with the loading, or unloading, is being executed.

(2) This subdivision does not permit a vehicle to stop or park upon a roadway in a direction opposite to that in which traffic normally moves upon that half of the roadway on which the vehicle is stopped or parked.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), a local authority may, by ordinance, prohibit a commercial vehicle from stopping, parking, or standing on one side of a roadway in a business district with the wheels of the vehicle more than 18 inches from the curb. The ordinance shall be effective only if signs are placed in the areas to which it is applicable clearly indicating the prohibition.

(d) This section does not apply to vehicles of a public utility when the vehicles are being used in connection with the operation, maintenance, or repair of facilities of the public utility or are being used in connection with providing public utility service.

(e) (1) Upon a one-way roadway, a vehicle may be stopped or parked as provided in subdivision (a) or with the left-hand wheels parallel to and within 18 inches of the left-hand curb, except that a motorcycle, if parked on the left-hand side, shall have either one wheel or one fender touching the curb. Where no curb or barriers bound a one-way roadway, parallel parking on either side is required unless otherwise indicated.

(2) This subdivision does not apply upon a roadway of a divided highway.