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City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR NO PARKING SIGNS AT EAST PORTAL PARK

### SUMMARY

The problems in East Portal Park have caused the neighbors to complain both to the police and to their councilperson. Over the years, these problems have consisted of noise, drinking, and unruly conduct. The Police Department has studied these complaints and believe the only practical solution is to restrict parking on the park side of the street to keep these troublemakers away. A resolution to ban parking around the park was presented at the City Council meeting on August 14, 1986. At that time several citizens appeared to comment on the situation. As a result the resolution was put off and a citizens' meeting was held at Kit Carson Middle School where interested parties were able to express their views. A unanimous decision was reached after a lengthy discussion and the resolution has been revised to reflect the wishes of the people. A resolution to restrict this parking is attached.

### BACKGROUND

It has been the experience of the Police Department that, in most instances where trouble exists in a park, the persons who cause the trouble come to the parks in automobiles. They park these automobiles quite close to wherever they choose to gather. They can then play loud music on their car radios, drink liquor from containers carried in the vehicles, and if narcotics or weapons are involved, obtain them from their nearby parked vehicles.

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The vehicles themselves are sometimes the cause of the disturbances when they are operated recklessly around the parks.

The elimination of the parking next to where the troublemakers gather has proven to be a successful deterrent in many cases.

PROBLEM AND ANALYSIS

On September 4, 1984, the Sacramento Police Department received a written complaint regarding groups of teenagers who congregate on the corner of Rodeo Way and L Street. The complaint was of throwing objects, noise from stereos, and littering the park with beer bottles and paper. The letter was accompanied with the signatures of fifty-four (54) persons.

On September 18, 1984, a meeting was held at 1141 Rodeo Way. A Police Sergeant and a district patrolman attended. The problems discussed at the meeting were:

1. Traffic, parking, and speeding on Rodeo Way.
2. Juveniles drinking and littering the street and park.
3. General harassment of young children and adults who want to use the park.
4. The residents were afraid to use or let the young children use the park.

In 1985, despite regular patrol and numerous citations, the complaints continued. The same types of letters were received on July 30, 1985, and August 14, 1985.

In July of 1986, Councilperson Pope has received the same complaints.

Even though many citations have been written, the individuals still create disturbances in close proximity to their parked vehicles.

The Parks and Community Services Department and the Traffic Engineers Department agree with the Police Department that the solution to the park problem lies in restricting the hours of parking on the park perimeter. This application of restricting

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parking has proven to be effective in restoring order in such places as the downtown "loop", in various areas of William Land Park, and in Curtis Park.

Disorderly persons do not seem to want to be separated from their vehicles. Hiding places for liquor, drugs and weapons are eliminated. Our officers can more easily detect criminal activity because their vision is not obstructed.

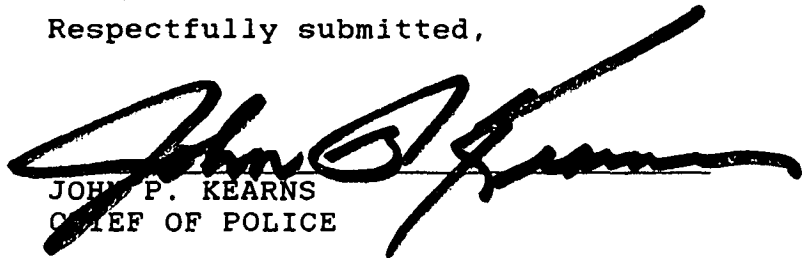
RECOMMENDATION

As a result of the community meeting on August 21, 1986, where forty-five (45) citizens who are residents around the park appeared and expressed their wishes, this recommendation is amended as follows.

In addition to continued police directed patrol and enforcement, I am recommending the following streets be posted on the park side of the street indicating "NO PARKING, 9:00 PM - 6:00 AM".

1. M Street from 51st Street to Rodeo Way.
2. Rodeo Way from M Street to Dover Avenue.
3. Dover Avenue from Rodeo Way to the western end of the park.

Respectfully submitted,



JOHN P. KEARNS  
CHIEF OF POLICE

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:




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WALTER J. SLIPE  
CITY MANAGER

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REF: 8-53  
Attachment

August 26, 1986  
District 3

# RESOLUTION NO. 86-660

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

## A RESOLUTION TO LIMIT ON-STREET PARKING IN THE EAST PORTAL PARK AREA

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SACRAMENTO:

Pursuant to Section 25.103 of the Sacramento City Code, the following City streets shall be designated "NO PARKING, 9:00 P.M. - 6:00 A.M." This designation shall apply to the north side of M Street from 51st Street to Rodeo Way, to the west side of Rodeo Way from M Street to Dover Avenue, and the south side of Dover Avenue to the western limits of East Portal Park. This restriction shall be in effect seven (7) days per week.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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RECOMMENDATION

In addition to continued police directed patrol and enforcement, I am recommending that the following streets be posted on the park side of the street "NO PARKING, 6:00 PM - 6:00 AM".

1. M Street from 51st Street to Rodeo Way.
2. Rodeo Way from M Street to K Street.

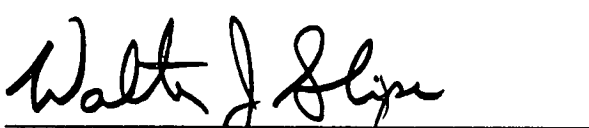
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JOHN P. KEARNS  
CHIEF OF POLICE

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

August 14, 1986



WALTER J. SLAPE  
CITY MANAGER

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# RESOLUTION NO.

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IN THE EAST PORTAL PARK AREA

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Pursuant to Section 25.103 of the Sacramento City Code, the following City streets shall be designated "NO PARKING, 6:00 P.M. - 6:00 A.M." This designation shall apply to the west side of Rodeo Way from K Street to M Street and to the north side of M Street from Rodeo Way to 51st Street.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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