

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMITTEE NAME: LAW AND LEGISLATION

MEETING DATE: JUNE 20, 1995

MEETING TIME: 1:00 P.M.

LOCATION: 915 I STREET, 2ND FLOOR, COUNCIL CHAMBER

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The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Deborah Ortiz, Chairperson.

PRESENT: Committee Members Ortiz, Fargo (arrived late), Steinberg (arrived late), Cohn (arrived late)

ABSENT:

1.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE CONSIDERED AND ACTED UPON BY ONE MOTION. A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE OR STAFF MAY REQUEST AN ITEM TO BE REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

1.1 Status of State Legislation

Michael Coleman, Senior Management Analyst for the City of Sacramento, discussed proposed legislation that staff is currently watching. Michael Coleman answered questions of Committee Members.

No action necessary. For information only.

2.0 STAFF REPORTS

2.1 Process for Selection of Chair and Auditor of the Port Commission of the Port of Sacramento

John Sulpizio, Director, Port of Sacramento, presented report. Requested Committee approve and forward report and resolution endorsing legislation to delete the convening of a Board of Elections to appoint the Chairman and Auditor of the Port of Sacramento.

Committee Member Ortiz: Staff recommendation approved and forwarded to Council without a recommendation.

2.2 Addition of Section 61.12.1207 to the Sacramento City Code, relating to permits for the installation of pay telephones on improved property

Postponed to next Law and Legislation Committee meeting date of July 18, 1995.

2.3 City policy regarding outdoor vending on private property

Margaret Freeman, Revenue Manager for the City of Sacramento, presented the report. Since a quorum wasn't present, decision was made to not provide direction to staff. Margaret told Committee of the two options available to allow outdoor vending on private property.

Committee Member Steinberg expressed concern over the cost for a permit. Where are we in terms of cost if only three or four areas are chosen for "pilot" implementation?

Margaret Freeman said the City needs feedback from neighborhood associations and business associations to see if there is a need or desire for expanded vending throughout the City. The "pilot" program will be in a specific geographic area. Specific areas could include: Franklin Boulevard; Stockton Boulevard (Broadway to Alhambra); Broadway (Highway 99 to Sacramento River); and Del Paso Boulevard.

Committee Member Ortiz questioned the "pilot" program location on Stockton Boulevard. She would like it to go from Stockton Boulevard to the river.

Committee Member Ortiz would like an editing change on Page 2, Option 3. Add the word "flowers" to "restricted to food and beverages" language. Committee Member Ortiz also requested that an amendment be made to the Central Business District definition.

No action taken. For information only.

2.4 An Ordinance amending Title 25 of the Sacramento City Code relating to residential permit parking

Michael Melvin, Chief, On-Street Parking for the City of Sacramento, presented report. If approved and forwarded to City Council the ordinance amendment would delete the lengthy petitioning process and parking surveys/studies.

Committee Member Steinberg asked what the current process is in terms of "petition process?"

Michael Melvin said the City surveys residents in the area and the City needs 50% in favor to allow residential permit parking.

Committee Member Fargo told Committee that many residents will not sign a petition and there may be a language barrier to deal with. A lot of residents are in favor of residential parking but are against petition process. Committee Member Fargo is against preferred residential parking.

Committee Member Ortiz asked why the City does the survey process for residential parking permits? How does the City balance issue of commercial strips next to residential area?

Committee Member Steinberg brought up the importance of "notice" - every resident is noticed? How does the City know what the majority is without a survey being taken? Committee Member Fargo would like to include business owners or property owners in a survey. Michael Melvin told Committee that both will be included.

Committee Member Cohn discussed part of Resolution 25.10.187 regarding "modifications of regulations." This would be fairly simple to change by Council recommendation to the parking manager?

More discussion by Council Members Ortiz and Fargo regarding not charging for parking meters from 21st to Alhambra and free parking at meters on Saturdays in the downtown area.

Speaker Audrey Austin, 817 20th Street, #1, spoke in favor and in support of measures. She expressed that "noticing" is important. It is not enough to notify neighborhood groups and property owners. She would like the visitor sticker permit adjusted as far as time allowed.

Speaker Jim Hastings thanked the City for considering "businesses" in parking permit process.

Speaker Dennis Clear, 1608 22nd Street, Windpark Association, spoke in favor of the amendment of the residential permit parking process.

Motion: 1st - Committee Member Fargo
2nd - Committee Member Cohn

Ayes: Committee Members Ortiz, Fargo, Steinberg, Cohn

The meeting was adjourned at the hour of 1:50 p.m.

Deborah Ortiz, Chair

ATTEST:


Leslie Oldridge, Secretary