

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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DOWNTOWN PARKING
CONTROLS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS

PES. NO. 86-123

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Notice thereof having been published according to law and an affidavit of publication, being on file in the office of the City Clerk, Mayor Reid called for the public hearing to consider the proposed changes in downtown parking zones.

Council was apprised that City staff has been working with the United Downtown Improvement Committee (UDID) and the Lodi Downtown Business Association (LDBA) for nearly a year on the downtown parking situation. Occupancy surveys were conducted in September, October and December of 1985.

The main change in the parking controls is the elimination of some permit only parking in the heavily used lots and the establishment of combined 2-hour/permit parking on the street.

The matter was introduced by City Manager Peterson. Public Works Director Ronsko gave additional background information and responded to questions as were posed by the Council.

Civil Engineer Richard Prima explained the study methodology and responded to questions as were posed by the Council.

Council Member Pinkerton suggested the possibility of allowing downtown business owners to rent blocks of parking spots for their employees and recommended a quarterly rental.

Speaking in favor of the proposed changes in the downtown parking zones were:

- a) Barbara McWilliams, Posers, 208 South School, Lodi, urged the Council to accept the proposal on a trial basis and then re-assess the program following a period of time.
- b) David Rice, 10 North School Street, Lodi, asked how the parking in the suggested block of rented parking spots would be regulated.
- c) Steve Parker, representing PG&E, expressed his company's concerns regarding double parking that occurs in front of their office at 12 West Pine Street, Lodi, and proposed that short term parking be implemented in the subject area.

There being no other persons wishing to speak on the matter the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Following discussion, on motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Olson, Reid second, Council adopted Resolution No. 86-123 adopting various parking controls and recommendations presented by Staff relating to downtown parking. Further, the Lodi Downtown Business Association and Staff were requested to continue to review other alternatives pertaining to downtown parking.