

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 7, 1981**

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Complaints related to aesthetics similar to the prior problem at Gross Convalescent Home on Turner Road;

Semi-truck and trailers using residential streets as shortcuts and for turn-around areas; and

Other complaints received have been similar to those noted on Page 6 which were received from the occupants of the apartments on Murray Street.

It is felt that the best overall solution is a complete revision of the existing ordinance. This would involve input and coordination between at least the Police, Fire, Public Works and Planning Departments, and the City Attorney's office.

Mr. Lawrence Fowler, owner of the property at 510 Murray Street, Lodi addressed the Council concerning the matter. Following a lengthy discussion with questions being directed to Staff and to Mr. Fowler, Council, on motion of Councilman Katnich, Murphy second, adopted Resolution No. 81-139 prohibiting truck traffic on Murray Street by establishing a load limit on said street. Further, Council directed Staff to evaluate alternatives to this problem as it exists through the City and to return to the Council with recommendations.



# CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** City Manager  
**DATE:** September 11, 1981  
**SUBJECT:** All-Night Parking of Trucks on Murray Street

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council give direction as to what action to take to alleviate the problems caused by heavy duty commercial vehicles being parked all night on Murray Street west of Cherokee Lane.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Lawrence Fowler, owner of an apartment complex at 510 Murray Street, has requested that the City of Lodi take action to prohibit heavy trucks from parking all night on the street adjacent to his apartments (see attached police report dated 7/14/81).

Mr. Fowler states that residents of the apartments have complained to him of:

1. Noise from truck refrigeration units;
2. Odors from cattle trucks;
3. Blocking of apartment driveways;
4. Use of the apartment parking lot by trucks as a turning area; and
5. Dust, mud and dirt problems.

Truck parking is attracted to Murray Street because Del Rancho Motel is located at the southwest corner of Cherokee Lane and Murray Street and it is a convenient parking area for truckers using the motel.

The following City of Lodi Code prohibits the all-night parking of heavy duty trucks on most City streets:

**Sec. 14-55.1. All-night parking of heavy duty type commercial vehicles.**

It shall be unlawful to park any heavy duty commercial type vehicle on any street for more than sixty minutes between the hours of 12:00 A.M. and 5:00 A.M. where the abutting lot is zoned either residential or commercial under Ordinance No. 469, as amended.<sup>2a</sup>

For the purpose of this section, "heavy duty commercial vehicle" shall mean any trailer over six feet wide or a single vehicle having more than two axles, a single vehicle or combination of vehicles twenty feet or more in length, including load if loaded, or a single vehicle or combination of vehicles six feet six inches or more in width, including load if loaded, and shall include, but not be limited to, dump trucks, moving vans, tractors, pole or pipe dollies, cattle trucks, gondolas, farm labor bus or truck, semitrailer. (Ord. No. 673, § 1.)

**APPROVED:**

HENRY A. GLAVES, City Manager

**FILE NO.**

The Police Department has issued numerous citations for this infraction on Murray Street. The penalty for this infraction is \$5 and to date no driver or trucking firm has contested. Neither Murray Street nor any other residential or commercial street in the City has been signed to inform truck drivers of this section of the City Code.

The attached Police truck survey of 9 days in August shows just 2 trucks parked in the area during that time. Mr. Fowler has indicated he has seen as many as six (6) at one time.

Following are several possible alternates to the Murray Street problem that might be considered by the City Council:

1. Install signs informing the drivers of the existing Code (No Truck Parking - 12:00 a.m. - 5:00 a.m., City Code Section 14-55.1) and increase the penalty from \$5 to a higher amount to discourage infractions. The cost of signing would be approximately \$600 (6 signs). This alternate would still require Police to make two (2) trips to the area prior to writing a citation;
2. Do nothing. This is the same as Alternate 1 but without the installation of the signing;
3. Prohibit truck traffic on Murray Street by establishing a load limit on Murray Street. The cost of signing would be approximately \$200 (2 signs).

This action can be expected to generate similar requests from other citizens for restrictions on other City streets. It is also our understanding that if a truck is found parked on such a restricted street, it can be cited only for a \$5 parking violation. The driver can be cited for a moving traffic violation only if a police officer observes the truck being driven on the restricted street. This alternate requires only one trip to the area by Police;

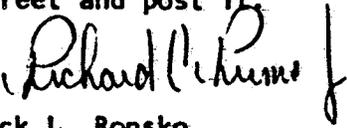
4. Establish designated truck routes for the entire City, thereby prohibiting non-delivery truck traffic on all other streets. The cost of this action would be difficult to ascertain due to the major problems of implementing and enforcing such a program. Designated truck routes should be established only after a full study by a traffic engineering firm in cooperation with the truck companies which will use them;
5. Revise existing ordinance to take care of all truck parking problems. In reviewing this problem with the other City departments, it has been determined that the City has been in receipt of many different types of truck parking problems on City streets and on private property. Some of the types of complaints received are as follows:
  - o Trucks hauling hazardous materials parked on City streets;
  - o Semi-trailers with tractor cab detached parked on City streets in or across from residential areas;
  - o Semi-tractor cabs being parked without trailer in residential areas, and driver warming up diesel at 4:00 a.m.;
  - o Complaints related to aesthetics similar to the prior problem at Gross Convalescent Home on Turner Road;

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- o Semi-truck and trailers using residential streets as shortcuts and for turn-around area; and
- o Other complaints received have been similar to those noted on Page 1, which were received from the occupants of the apartments on Murray Street.

It is felt that the best overall solution is a complete revision of the existing ordinance. This would involve input and coordination between at least the Police, Fire, Public Works and Planning Departments, and the City Attorney's office.

If it is the Council's desire to solve the problem on Murray Street immediately, it is felt that the easiest way would be to establish a load limit on Murray Street and post it.

*for*   
Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

cc: Mr. Lawrence Fowler  
Motel Manager, Del Rancho Motel  
Police Department  
Community Development Department  
Fire Department  
City Attorney

JLR:dmw

# Lodi Police Department

81-07589

230 WEST ELM STREET  
LODI, CALIFORNIA 95240

CONTROLLED DOCUMENT

RELEASED TO: *M. Davis*

## STANDARD CRIME REPORT II

BY: *38*      DATE: *09-10-81*

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|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|---|---------|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| 1. SECTION<br><i>6723</i>  |  | 2. CRIME<br><i>Traffic Violations</i> |   |                          | 4. CLASSIFICATION<br><i>Non-Moving - Parking Violations</i>             |   |         | 3. REPORT AREA<br><i>N.E.B.</i>       |  |                   |  |
| 6. DATE AND TIME OCCURRED - DAY<br><i>071481 0300 Tues</i>   |  |                                       | 7. DATE AND TIME REPORTED<br><i>071481 0856</i> |                          | 8. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE<br><i>500 blk. Murray</i>                     |   |         |                                       |  |                   |  |
| 9. VICTIM'S NAME - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE (FIRM IF BUSINESS)<br><i>City of Lodi</i>   |  |                                       |   |                          | 10. RESIDENCE ADDRESS   |   |         | 11. RESIDENCE PHONE                   |  |                   |  |
| 12. OCCUPATION   |  | 13. RACE - SEX                        | 14. AGE   | 15. DOB                  | 16. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE)                               |   |         | 17. BUSINESS PHONE                    |  |                   |  |
| CODES FOR BLOCKS 20 AND 30    V - VICTIM    W - WITNESS    P - PARENT    RP - REPORTING PARTY    DC - DISCOVERED CRIME    I - SPECIAL INTEREST |  |                                       |   |                          |   |   |         |                                       |  |                   |  |
| 19. NAME - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE<br><i>Fowler, Lawrence</i>  |  |                                       |   |                          | 20. CODE  | 21. RESIDENCE ADDRESS                               |         |                                       | 22. RESIDENCE PHONE                    |                   |  |
| 23. OCCUPATION<br><i>Bldg. Contractor</i>  |  | 24. RACE - SEX<br><i>WMA</i>          | 25. AGE   | 26. DOB                  | 27. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE)                               |   |         | 28. BUSINESS PHONE                    |  |                   |  |
| 29. NAME - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE<br><i>Soroya, Shabid Latief</i>   |  |                                       |   |                          | 30. CODE<br><i>I</i>  | 31. RESIDENCE ADDRESS<br><i>501 N. Cherokee Ln.</i> |         |                                       | 32. RESIDENCE PHONE<br><i>368-5348</i> |                   |  |
| 33. OCCUPATION<br><i>Hotel Manager</i>   |  | 34. RACE - SEX<br><i>OMA</i>          | 35. AGE<br><i>27</i>                            | 36. DOB<br><i>050154</i> | 37. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE)<br><i>501 N. Cherokee Ln.</i> |   |         | 38. BUSINESS PHONE<br><i>368-5348</i> |  |                   |  |
| 39. VEHICLE USED - LICENSE NO. - ID NO. - YEAR - MAKE - MODEL - COLORS (OTHER IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS)                                     |  |                                       |   |                          |   |   |         |                                       |  |                   |  |
| 40. SUSPECT (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)  |  |                                       |   | 41. RACE - SEX           | 42. AGE   | 43. HT.   | 44. WT. | 45. H <sup>2</sup> O                  | 46. EYES                               | 47. ID NO. OR DOB | 48. ARRESTED<br>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 49. ADDRESS, CLOTHING AND OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS OR CHARACTERISTICS   |  |                                       |   |                          |   |   |         |                                       |  |                   |  |

50. NARRATIVE:

Fowler notified LPD that trucks were again parking adjacent of the Apartment he owns at 510 Murray. He says this is a continual problem caused by out-of-town truckers parking to sleep at the Del Rancho Motel which lies just East of his Apt. Usually the trucks have refrigeration unit which are left on continually and create an extreme noise problem. He claims to have asked for cooperation from the Motel, but has met with limited success. In addition to the noise his tenants have difficulty driving around the vehicles which occupy a large portion of the roadway and create vision obstructions. His requests for help in alleviating the problem, to LPD have been of limited value, as it is legal for the vehicles to travel on Murray and to park upon the street, except between the hours of Midnite to 5:00AM which limits the stay to 1 hour, per City Code 14-55.

I went to the area and found a Tractor-trailer parked at the South curb of Murray, just West of the Motel driveway. The trailer had a refrigerator unit, but it was not operating. I saw no hazard created by the vehicle, to the occupants of the apartment, in this instance. It is obvious that it is probable that on some occasions the street may have several of these vehicles parked upon it and that would limit the flow of moving vehicles having to negotiate around them. The attached diagram shows the roadway width is limited and a hazard is created when vehicles of this

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| 51. Enroute Time<br><i>5 Minutes</i>   |  | 52. Investigation Time<br><i>20 Minutes</i> |  | 53. Date Written or Recorded<br><i>071481</i>  |  | 54. Time Written or Recorded<br><i>1100</i> |  | 55. Reporting Officer<br><i>Sgt. M. Renz</i>   |  | 56. Empl. No.<br><i>38</i> |  | 57. Assisting Off. No.   |  |  |  |
| 58. PROCESSING   |  |   |  | 59. ATTACHMENTS  |  |   |  | 60. CASE ASSIGNMENT  |  |                            |  | 61. INFORMATIONAL ROUTING  |  |  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Info System Entry<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copies<br><input type="checkbox"/> Distribution<br><input type="checkbox"/> CJS Entry or Inquiry<br><input type="checkbox"/> Shift Summary Entry<br><input type="checkbox"/> |  |   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Taped Narrative<br><input type="checkbox"/> Property Record<br><input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Report<br><input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental<br><input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Contact<br><input type="checkbox"/> Statement<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photo or Sketch<br><input type="checkbox"/> |  |   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> A Closed<br><input type="checkbox"/> B Detective<br><input type="checkbox"/> C Patrol<br><input type="checkbox"/> D |  |                            |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Chief<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B Patrol <i>Cyt</i><br><input type="checkbox"/> C Detective<br><input type="checkbox"/> D Juvenile<br><input type="checkbox"/> E CH<br><input type="checkbox"/> F S/O<br><input type="checkbox"/> G DA<br><input type="checkbox"/> H ID<br><input type="checkbox"/> J<br><input type="checkbox"/> K<br><input type="checkbox"/> L |  |  |  |
| 62. REVIEWED BY<br><i>[Signature]</i>  |  |   |  |  |  |   |  | 63. DATE<br><i>07081</i>   |  | 64. TIME<br><i>1327</i>    |  | 65. EMPL. NO.<br><i>21</i>   |  |  |  |



# LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

230 WEST ELM STREET  
LODI, CALIFORNIA 95240

1. CASE NO.

81-07589

2. CONTINUATION OF:  
 CRIME REPORT I OR II  
 SUPPLEMENTAL  
 MISC. SERVICE REPORT  
 ARREST REPORT  
 OTHER

## NARRATIVE CONTINUATION REPORT

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 3. CODE SECTION<br><b>642B</b>   | 4. CRIME<br><b>TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS</b> | 5. CLASSIFICATION<br><b>NON-MOVING - Parking Violations</b>                        | 6. PAGE NO.<br><b>2</b> |
| 7. VICTIM OR ARRESTEE'S NAME - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE (FIRM IF BUSINESS)<br><b>City of Lodi</b> |                                       | 8. ADDRESS<br><input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS | 9. ARREST NO.           |

### 10. NARRATIVE

size park on both sides of the street. It was also noted that the trucks must use the residential area to the West, in order to position the vehicles to park Eastbound or to leave the area if parked Westbound. This certainly puts considerable stress upon both the surface of the roadway and on the flow of vehicles and the level of traffic noise in the area.

I spoke with the Motel manager (Soroya) who said he has been manager for about 3 months. He was both aware of the problem and of the complaints by the tenants/landlord at the adjacent property and said he had been trying his best to keep the inconvenience to a minimum for the apartment tenants. In this instance he had asked the trucker to move the truck away from the apt. as he was told that the truck would be moved 'in the morning'. He attempted to call the trucker while I was there, but met with no success. He said that many of the truckers have an 'I don't care' attitude, but many are cooperative and understanding. His last reported complaint was approx. 2 months ago and he thought that the problem had been pretty well discussed and an agreed partial solution (telling the truckers to stay away from the apt.) had been met.

He added that the past reports to him have been rather petty. He said that the Landlord has even called him (as have some of the apt. tenants) to have small vans and even cars be moved on if the drivers were thought to be temporary Motel tenants. The landlord usually threatens to notify LPD if the vehicle is not moved 'off the street' (in Soroya's words: "as if the police have nothing else to do"). The lot (vacant - plowed dirt) is not owned by the apt. owner, but he took the liberty of fencing it off so the trucks could not park on it or use it to turn around on. Soroya is at a loss as to what more he can do - he has even turned business away rather than have a problem develop over the trucks.

It appears that the City may need to restrict Murray St. for the use of Heavy/oversized vehicles, as it has on other residential streets. This would then give LPD additional enforcement opportunities and possibly alleviate the problem for the tenants. Additionally, this type traffic must create extra wear and increased need for repair on roadways not specifically designed to handle overweight vehicles.

This should be forwarded to proper individuals within the City for review.

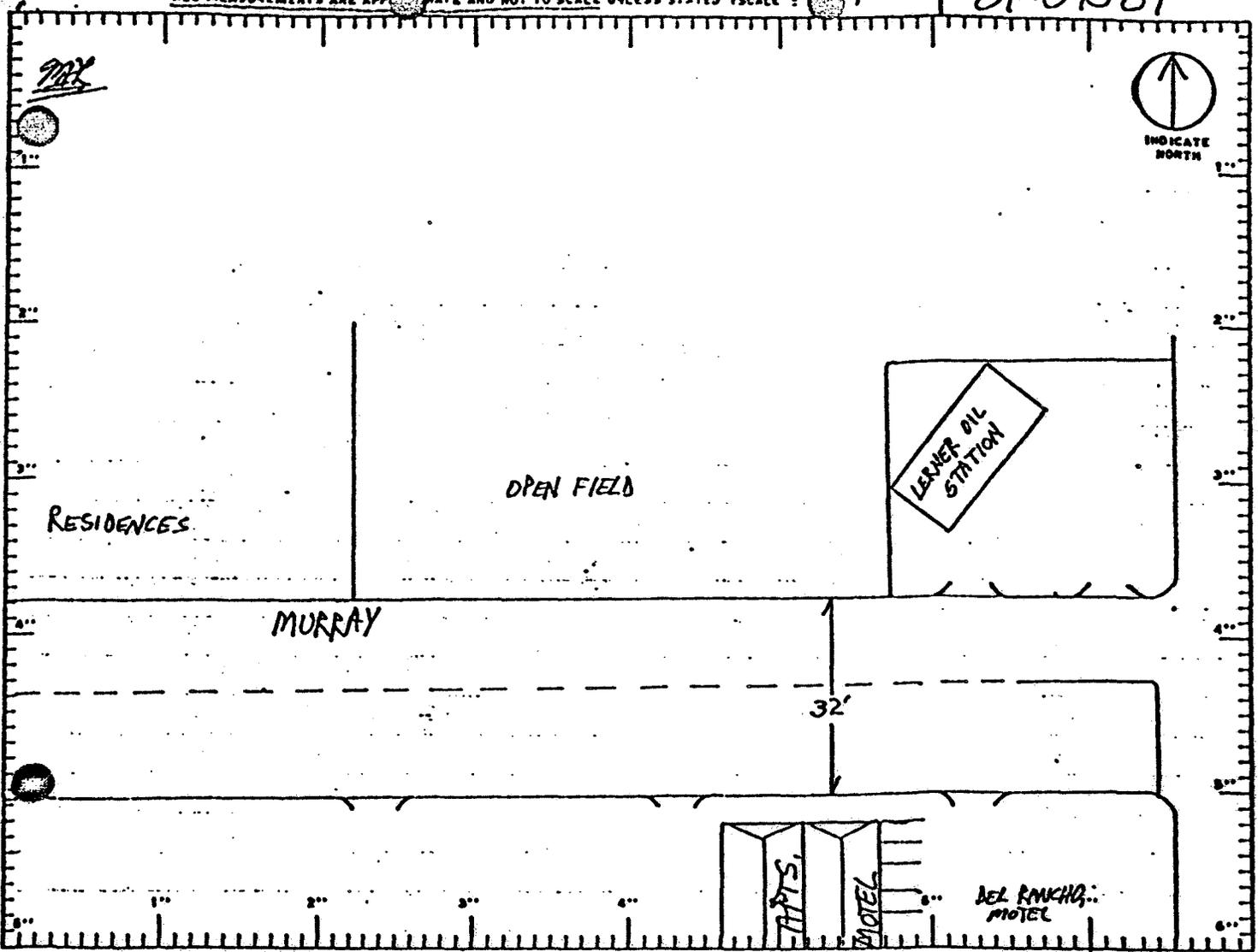
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| 11. REPORTING OFFICER<br><i>[Signature]</i> | 12. REVIEWED BY<br><i>[Signature]</i> | 13. TYPED BY | 14. DATE AND TIME | 15. ROUTED TO |
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# SKETCH - NARRATIVE CONTINUATION

No.

81-07589

ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE APPROXIMATE AND NOT TO SCALE UNLESS STATED (SCALE : )



NARRATIVE CONTINUATION (Use reverse side as necessary)

|                      |  |
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| POINT OF IMPACT      |  |
| VEHICLE (NOT PARKED) |  |
| PEDESTRIAN           |  |
| TRAIN                |  |
| PARKED VEHICLE       |  |
| FIXED OBJECT         |  |
| HEAD-ON              |  |
| HEAD-ON SIDESWIPE    |  |
| REAR END             |  |
| OVERTAKING SIDESWIPE |  |
| BROADSIDE            |  |
| APPROACH TURN        |  |
| OVERTAKING TURN      |  |
| OUT OF CONTROL       |  |
| OVERTURNED           |  |
| VEHICLE BACKING      |  |

LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

To: Marvin Davis, Public Works Department  
From: Captain Albert C. Cross  
Date: September 4, 1981  
Subject: Survey of trucks - Murray/Pioneer adjacent to Cherokee Lane

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Please find attached a copy of a survey made by our department in order to determine the number of trucks parked on Murray Street and Pioneer Drive in the blocks adjacent to Cherokee Lane.

  
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Captain Albert C. Cross  
Patrol Division Commander

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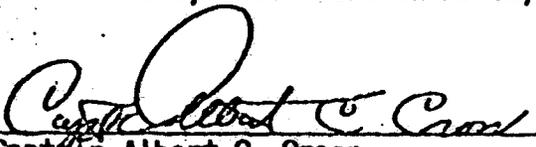
Memorandum

To: Watch Commanders - Swing Shift, Graveyard Shift  
From: Captain Albert C. Cross  
Date: August 13, 1981  
Subject: Request for Truck Survey

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Please conduct a daily survey of the trucks parked on Murray Street and Pioneer Drive in the blocks adjacent to Cherokee Lane. The area car should make periodic checks of the area to determine the length of stay of the vehicles. Hours of major concern are from 2000 hours to 0500 hours.

Use the attached form (making additional copies as needed) and return same to me by 0800 hours on Monday, August 24, 1981.

  
Captain Albert C. Cross  
Patrol Division Commander

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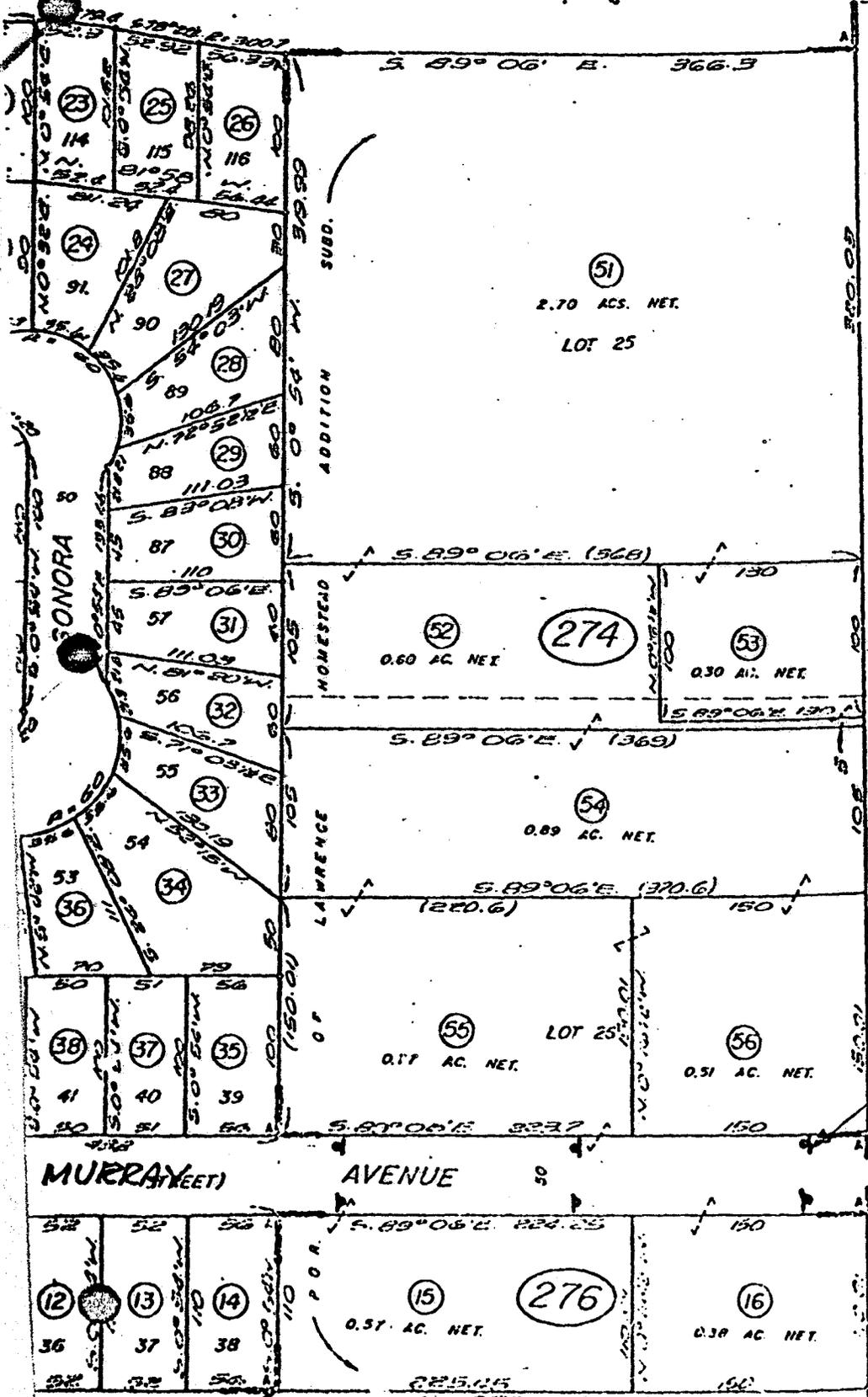
# Truck Survey

| Date and Time | Location                              | Length/Type of Vehicle                     |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 2/00          | 500 blk Pioneer                       | none                                       |
| 2/00          | 500 blk Murray                        | none                                       |
| 22 15         | 500 blk Pioneer                       | none                                       |
| 22 15         | 500 blk Murray                        | none                                       |
| 8/13/81 2300  | 500 BLK. MURRAY                       | NONE #25                                   |
| 8/13/81 2300  | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | NONE #25                                   |
| 8/14/81 0010  | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | NONE #25                                   |
| 8/14/81 0010  | 500 BLK. MURRAY                       | NONE #25                                   |
| 8/14/81 0105  | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | NONE #25                                   |
| " 0225        | 500 BLK. MURRAY                       | " #25                                      |
| " 0301        | "                                     | " #25                                      |
| " 0357        | "                                     | " #25                                      |
| 8/14/81 0405  | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | " #25                                      |
| 8/14/81 0425  | 500 BLK. MURRAY                       | " #25                                      |
| 8/15/81 2030  | 500 BLK. MURRAY                       | NONE #33                                   |
| 2030          | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | NONE #33                                   |
| 2130          | 500 BLK. <sup>MURRAY</sup><br>PIONEER | NONE #33                                   |
| 8-16-81, 2030 | 500 BLK. <sup>MURRAY</sup><br>PIONEER | NONE #35                                   |
| 2130          | " "                                   | NONE #35                                   |
| 2202          | " "                                   | NONE #35                                   |
| 8-17-81 2030  | " "                                   | NONE #35                                   |
| 8-17-81 2100  | " "                                   | NONE #35                                   |
| " 2200        | " "                                   | NONE #35                                   |
| 8-18-81 2115  | 500 BLK. PIONEER                      | ONE DIESEL TRUCK; TRACTOR (ON PRIVATE LOT) |
| 2115          | MURRAY                                | NONE #35                                   |
| 8-20-81 0200  | 500 MURRAY                            | ONE DIESEL TRACTOR ONLY #37                |



(24)

DRIVE



LANE 434.6

CHEROKEE 434.6

MURRAY(AET) AVENUE

NO TRUCK PARKING 12AM - 5AM LCC Sec 14-55.1

CITY OF 14-55.1 LODI

Assessors' Map Rk 1141-P. 27

Assessors' Block Numbers Shown in Ellipses. Assessors' Parcel Numbers Shown in Circles

Follow-up

RESOLUTION NO. 81-139

RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF MURRAY STREET  
BY ANY COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR BY ANY VEHICLE  
EXCEEDING A MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT LIMIT OF FIVE  
TONS

RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi  
does hereby declare that any commercial vehicle or any other  
vehicle exceeding a maximum gross weight limit of five tons  
is hereby prohibited from using the following street or any  
part thereof:

a) Murray Street

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Works Director  
is hereby directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs on  
the subject street affected by the resolution.

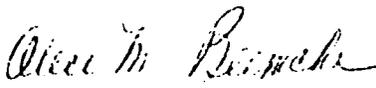
Dated: October 7, 1981

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 81-139 was passed  
and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi  
in a regular meeting held October 7, 1981 by the follow-  
ing vote:

Ayes: Councilmen - Murphy, Hughes, Pinkerton, Katrich  
and McCarty

Noes: Councilmen - None

Absent: Councilmen - None

  
ALICE M. REIMCHE  
City Clerk