

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 14, 1987

COUNCIL DETERMINES  
NOT TO ESTABLISH A  
"NO PARKING" ZONE  
ON LODI AVENUE WEST  
OF CHURCH STREET  
(MCDONALD'S NEW  
DRIVEWAY)

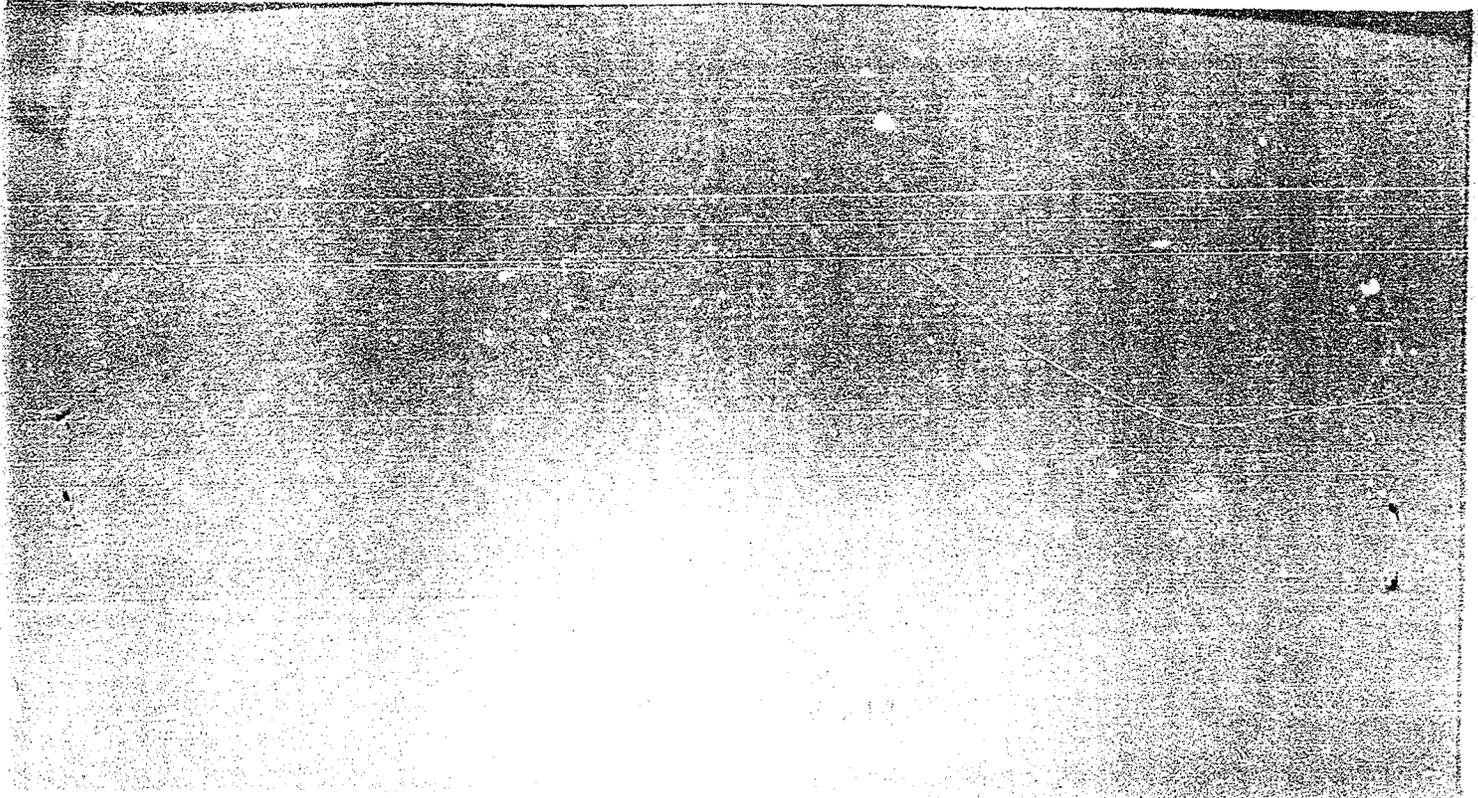
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cc 45(b)

Council was apprised that in early 1986, left turn lanes were installed on Lodi Avenue from Sacramento Street to the alley west of Church Street. In order to eliminate problems with left turn movements at the fast food restaurants, a combination of two-way left turn lanes and raised medians were installed.

McDonald's Corporation is now expanding their parking lot and drive-thru lane into the lot west of their existing property. Their plans include abandoning the existing west driveway and installing a new one further west. In order to accommodate this new driveway, the left turn lane should be extended further west. This will remove three of the existing five parking stalls. (The two remaining stalls are being removed by the driveway.) Alternate "A" was presented for Council review.

This change extends the left turn lane just short of the Pleasant Avenue intersection. Normally, the left turn lane would include the intersection. This will remove an additional nine parking stalls west of Pleasant Avenue. (Alternate "B" was presented for Council review).

Since 1983, there have been 12 accidents at or near this intersection (within the area covered by the proposed no parking zone). All of them involved left turning or parked vehicles:



<u>Accident</u>	<u>Number</u>
Left turning vehicle rear ended	5
Thru vehicle vs. parked vehicle	5
Left turning vehicle vs. thru vehicle	2

With the high volumes on Lodi Avenue, this number of accidents at an intersection is not particularly high. It is unusual that there are no accidents involving vehicles entering Lodi from Pleasant. Of course, part of this is due to the fact that Pleasant north of Lodi is one-way northbound. The intersection would not have been studied if it were not for the McDonald's situation.

Staff recommended that at a minimum Alternate "A" be adopted. However, Alternate "B" should receive serious consideration due to the potential to reduce accidents.

A lengthy discussion followed with questions regarding the matter being directed to Staff.

The following persons addressed Council indicating their concern about the possible loss of parking:

- A) Dr. Ron Forbes, 300 West Lodi Avenue
- B) Ms. Jeremic, Light-Catchers, 304 West Lodi Avenue
- C) Ms. Conley, Alete Beauty Salon, 306 West Lodi Avenue
- D) Ms. Irene Harper, 304 West Lodi Avenue

On motion of Council Member Snider, Hinchman second, Council took the following actions regarding the matter:

- A) Denied the installation of the proposed new driveway at McDonald's
- B) Determined that no parking stalls would be removed on Lodi Avenue west of Church Street
- C) Directed Staff to work with McDonald's in redesigning their parking lot to insure that the Pleasant Avenue intersection is as safe as possible.



# CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: City Council

FROM: City Manager

MEETING DATE: October 14, 1987

AGENDA TITLE: Establish No Parking Zone on Lodi Avenue West of Church Street  
(McDonald's New Driveway)

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council establish additional no parking zones on Lodi Avenue in order to extend the left turn lane in the vicinity of Pleasant Avenue.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** In early 1986, left turn lanes were installed on Lodi Avenue from Sacramento Street to the alley west of Church Street. In order to eliminate problems with left turn movements at the fast food restaurants, a combination of two-way left turn lanes and raised medians were installed. The present arrangement between Lee and Church Streets is shown at the top of the attached Exhibit.

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This change extends the left turn lane just short of the Pleasant Avenue intersection. Normally, the left turn lane would include the intersection. This will remove an additional nine parking stalls west of Pleasant Avenue. (See Exhibit, Alternate B.)

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*Thomas A. Peterson*  
 THOMAS A. PETERSON, City Manager

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Staff recommends that at a minimum Alternate A be adopted. However, Alternate B should receive serious consideration due to the potential to reduce accidents.

  
Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

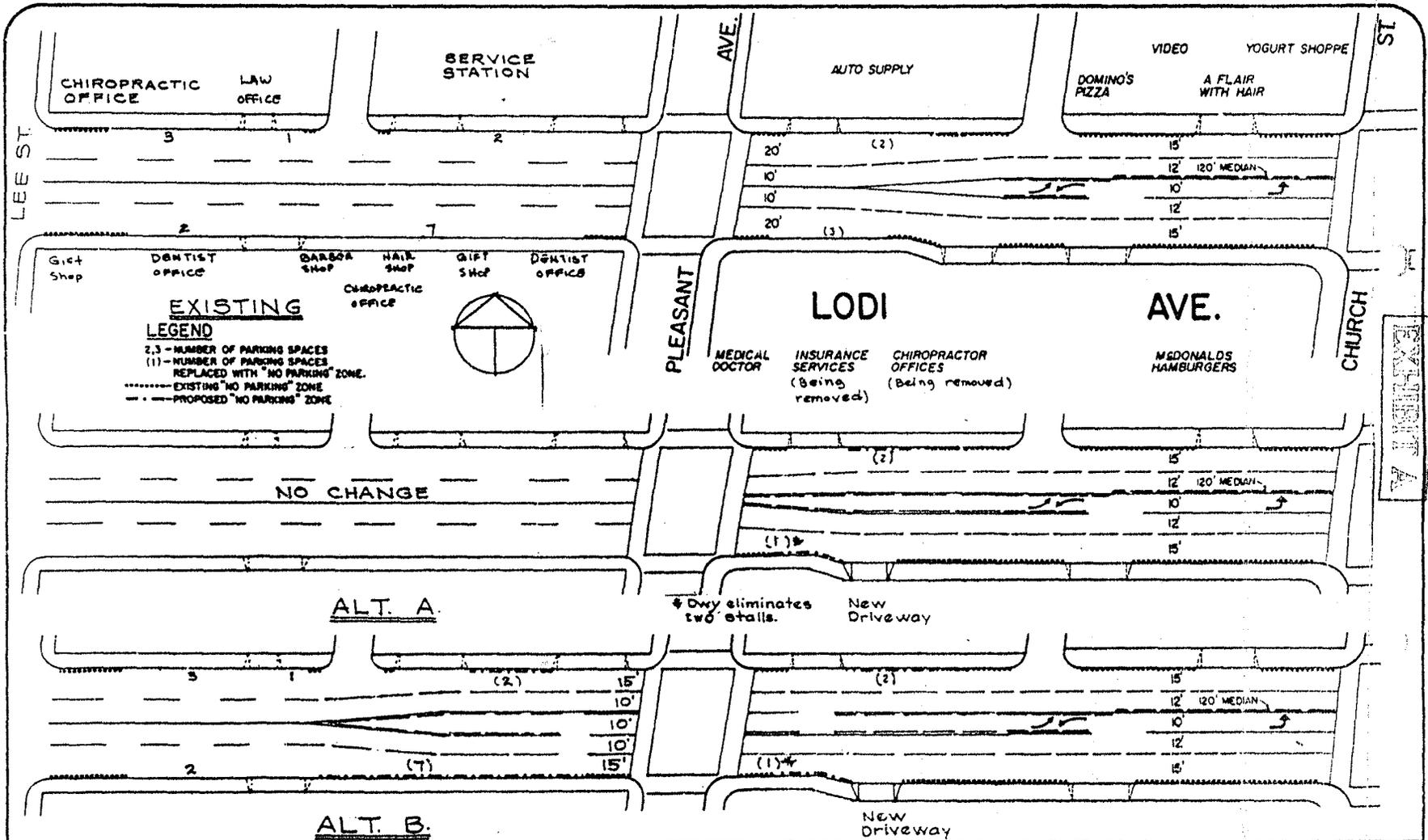
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Attachments

cc: Police Chief  
Street Superintendent  
Adjacent Businesses

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October 1, 1987



**EXISTING LEGEND**  
 2,3 - NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES  
 (1) - NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES REPLACED WITH "NO PARKING" ZONE.  
 ----- EXISTING "NO PARKING" ZONE  
 - - - - - PROPOSED "NO PARKING" ZONE

NO CHANGE

ALT. A

ALT. B

Dr.	No.	Date	Decision	Appr.	Approved By
CA					
Date:					



**CITY OF LODI**  
 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

LODI AVE.  
 LEFT TURN LANE STRIPING  
 @ PLEASANT AVE.

Public Works Director  
 RCE Date

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

SUBJECT: Establish No Parking Zone on Lodi Avenue West of Church Street  
(McDonald's New Driveway)

We are located at 310 W. Lodi Avenue and are writing on behalf of ourselves and our tenants located at 314-316 W. Lodi Avenue regarding the above McDonald's expansion on Lodi Avenue.

We approve 100 percent of Alt. A because it does not affect our parking. But Alt. B does, and we strongly oppose this plan. In fact, we find it incredible that the Public Works Dept. would come up with a proposal that would grant McDonald's request for removal of two parking spaces in the 200 block of Lodi Avenue, and yet involve the removal of seven parking spaces in the 300 block of Lodi Avenue. We are greatly concerned about the potential loss of this parking because we know where most of our clients park and this is on Lodi Avenue.

We hope that the City Council would protect our parking and our livelihood. We have been given very short notice on this hearing and I for one will be unable to attend the meeting. If alt. B is given any consideration at all, we ask that the proposal be postponed to a later date so that we might hire an attorney to prepare a defense to save our parking and that of the other six businesses that would be affected by this adverse proposal.

We would greatly appreciate your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Jess A. Tipton D.C.*

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