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Mr. Manual Rocha, 324 S. Sunset Drive, Lodi spoke on behalf of the proponents of the petition.

REQUEST FOR
"NO PARKING"
AREA ON SOUTH
SUNSET DRIVE

Following a lengthy discussion, with questions being directed to Staff and to those who had given testimony, Council on motion of Councilman Katnich, Hughes second, directed the Public Works Director to correspond with Mr. William Stemler, 1200 West Lodi Avenue, Lodi, requesting that he refrain from parking his boat on the west side of Sunset Drive between his driveway and Lodi Avenue.



CITY OF LODI
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager
DATE: November 13, 1981
SUBJECT: No Parking Zone on Sunset Drive

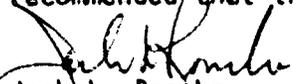
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution establishing a 33-foot no parking zone on the west side of Sunset Drive immediately south of Lodi Avenue (see attached sketch).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City of Lodi has received a petition from 33 residents of the 300 block of South Sunset Drive, asking for the parking restriction. The petition represents 69% of the total properties along the street.

There are 3 conditions that may contribute to the traffic hazard stated in the petition:

1. There is an existing no parking zone on the south side of Lodi Avenue between Ham Lane and Sunset Drive. Drivers of vehicles traveling east on Lodi Avenue and preparing to turn right on Sunset Drive must be positioned in the curb lane immediately north of the south curb line. The natural tendency of most drivers making the turn is to parallel the curb line and, upon completion of the turn, the vehicle would normally be positioned only 5 or 6 feet from the west curb line of Sunset Drive. A vehicle parked along the west curb line could protrude as much as 8 feet into the street area, and the driver making the turn would have to veer to the left to avoid it;
2. There is a six-foot high block wall located at the sidewalk line which extends from the west property line of 1200 West Lodi Avenue to the center of the curb return at Sunset Drive (at this point the wall reduces in height to 4 feet). This wall blocks the vision of a driver on Lodi Avenue from seeing a parked vehicle on Sunset Drive until the driver is well into the right turn;
3. The curb-to-curb width of Sunset Drive is 36 feet: two 8-foot parking lanes and two 10-foot travel lanes. If a vehicle is parked at the curb, and another traveling north on Sunset Drive approaching the stop sign, a driver turning right has little room to negotiate the turn.

Even though elimination of this amount of parking will mean the resident at 1200 West Lodi Avenue will have no curb parking adjacent to the residence, it is recommended that the no parking zone be adopted.


Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

cc: 1200 W. Lodi Ave. Resident
Att.

JLR:MED:dmw

APPROVED:

HENRY A. GLAVES, City Manager

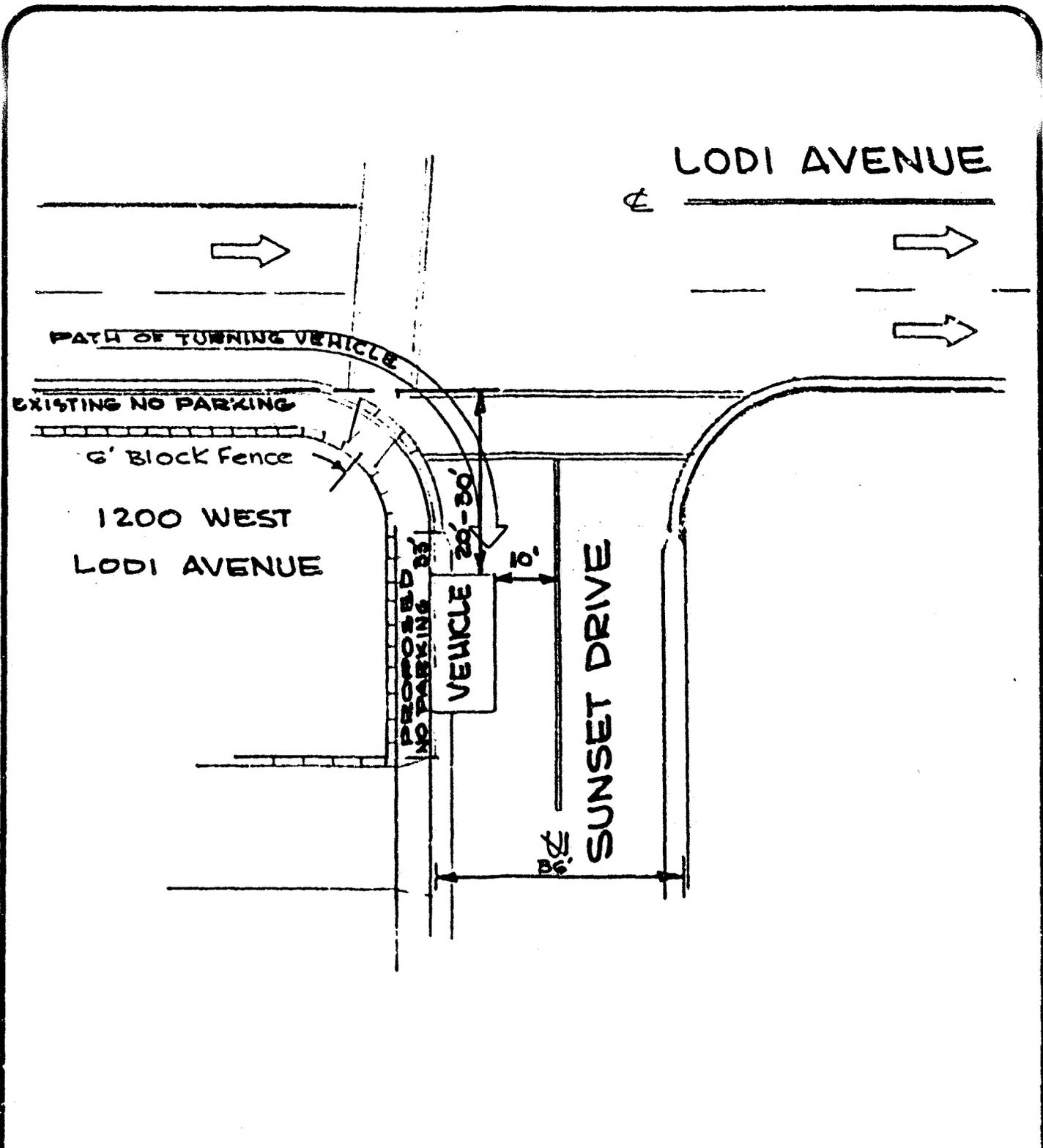
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CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED
"NO PARKING ZONE"
WEST SIDE SUNSET
SOUTH OF LODI AVE.



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Approved By
 Public Works Director
RCE

Date

17 November 1981

Mr. Henry Glaves, City Manager
City Hall
Lodi,
California 95240

Dear Mr. Glaves,

There is before the City Council a petition to restrict parking on the west side of South Sunset Drive immediately south of Lodi Avenue.

I wish to express my opposition to this proposal. Such action will only increase parking in front of my property which is immediately to the south of the proposed property to be restricted.

The problems referred to in the petition are not month in and month out conditions.

We now have a condition that if you park in front of a certain parcel of property the owner immediately calls the police to protest. This requires that the police department must take time to check out the matter only to find that there is no illegality involved.

Reduction of parking may increase the parking in front of this property which may require more time of a department with more important problems than parked cars in front of this persons property.

If this parking restriction is imposed the property owner will be restricted from parking in front of his home on Sunset Drive. It certainly is not possible to park on Lodi Avenue.

In fairness to the property owners immediately adjacent to the area proposed for restriction, I request that the proposed restrictions be denied.

How many of the property owners within the first four parcels of property ^{on both sides of Sunset Drive} immediately south of Lodi Avenue signed the petition?

Very truly,



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November 13, 1931

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Re: Objection to Proposed **No Parking Zone on Sunset Drive**

Gentlemen:

This is in reply to the proposed red zoning at 1200 West Lodi Avenue.

I feel it is very unjust because this eliminates the only parking which I have left for this residence. When Lodi Avenue was widened, they took approximately eight feet (8') from the front of the house and eliminated all parking.

There is a misstatement in the petition which states a motor home and a boat are parked there. I sold my motor home three years ago, and the boat is parked there once a year for unloading and cleaning. This year was an exception. The boat was parked there because I was having a new canvas top made, and Mike's Upholstery could not get the material until the 25th of October. It was put in storage after that. I tried parking it across the street, but it was marked for tow away because of a complaint.

It is my understanding that the reason the engineering department recommended this proposal is because people coming from the West down Lodi Avenue and making a right turn on Sunset may create a traffic hazard. I made these turns, with cars parked in the proposed zoning area, first at 20 miles per hour. It wasn't possible to turn short enough to cause an accident. I then made the turn at 15 miles per hour and believe it would be very difficult to cause an accident. At 10 miles per hour it would be possible, but not probable.

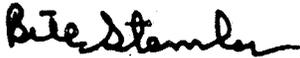
Several times when my car has been parked in front of the second house across the street, the police have been called for tow away.

Sunset is a dead end street and the people who did not sign the petition use this street more than the people who did sign.

I feel I deserve a little more consideration than to be dismissed by the last paragraph of your Council Communication, which states elimination of this parking means the resident will have no curb parking adjacent to the residence.

Thanking you in advance for the favorable consideration of my objection to this proposal, I am

Very truly yours,



BILL STEMLER
Resident

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November 23, 1981

Mr. William Stemler
1200 West Lodi Avenue
Lodi, CA. 95241

Dear Mr. Stemler:

At their meeting on November 18, 1981, the City Council directed us to write and request that you refrain from parking your boat on the west side of Sunset Drive between your driveway and Lodi Avenue.

The Council took this action rather than establish a no parking zone at this location and with your cooperation there should be no need for further action.

Sincerely



Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

JLR/HD/ech

cc: City Clerk ✓