



WELCOME TO YOUR TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
Regular Session at 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
Civic Center, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 678 West 18th Street, Merced CA 95340

(www.cityofmerced.org)

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INFORMATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES:

Accommodation for individuals with disabilities may be arranged by contacting the Engineering Department at 209-385-6846.

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

AT THIS TIME, AUDIENCE MEMBERS WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON ANY MATTER NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF AND CITY OF RESIDENCE, AND IF YOU INTEND ON USING TECHNOLOGY FOR YOUR PRESENTATION PLEASE LEAVE A COPY FOR THE RECORD. COMMITTEE WILL NOT TAKE ACTION ON AN ITEM THAT IS BROUGHT TO THEIR ATTENTION AT THIS MEETING. IF IT REQUIRES ACTION, IT WILL BE REFERRED TO STAFF AND/OR LISTED ON THE NEXT COMMITTEE AGENDA. PLEASE BE BRIEF AND TO THE POINT. AVOID REPEATING WHAT PREVIOUS SPEAKERS HAVE SAID. IF TWO OR MORE INDIVIDUALS ARE PRESENT AS A GROUP AND WISH TO SPEAK ON ONE SIDE OF AN ISSUE, PLEASE SELECT A SINGLE SPOKESPERSON TO PRESENT YOUR VIEWS.

- D. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine by the Traffic Committee and will be adopted by one action of the Traffic Committee unless a member of the audience or Traffic Committee Member has a question, statement or wishes to discuss an item. In that event, the Clerk will remove that item from the Consent Calendar and place it for separate consideration.

- 1. Traffic Committee Minutes of July 12, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and file.

- E. REPORTS

- 1. Committee Member Reports

(At this time, it is appropriate for any Committee Member to give an informational report of any work completed, training, or other item to share with other members. Please be brief, and no action may be taken on these items.)

F. BUSINESS

1. Request #15-019 - Request for Removal of 2-Hour Parking Limit at the Mondo Building Parking Lot / Parking Lot 1A (Manuel Alvarado)
(Sierra Health Foundation Employee requests removal of two-hour parking limit in the parking lot located behind the Mondo Building on Main Street due to employees of the surrounding businesses parking on Main Street to avoid the two-hour limit, taking away from customer parking. This item was previously heard at the September 8, 2015 meeting.)

2. Request #15-020 – Request for Two Handicap Parking Spaces on K Street at Main Street (Cliff Caton)
(Property owner requests the on-street parking on the east side of K Street at Main Street be converted to two handicap parking spaces to better serve the customers at Valley Health Center and Medical Supply. This item was previously heard at the September 8, 2015 meeting.)

3. Request #16-014 – Request for Residential Permit Parking Zone along a Portion of Beals Avenue (Randy Starkweather)
(Citizen is requesting a residential permit parking zone on a portion of Beals Avenue, directly across from Merced College, due to various issues including parking congestion, loitering, garbage, loud music, and jaywalking. This item was previously heard at the May 10, 2016 meeting.)

4. Request #16-021 – Request for Alignment Warning Sign on Saratoga Court (Jon Hawthorne)
(Citizen is requesting the addition of a left turn arrow at the 90 degree bend of Saratoga Court due to their concern of vehicles crashing into their residence.)

G. ADJOURNMENT

Agenda Item: D-1
Meeting Date: 09/13/2016



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Traffic Committee Minutes of July 12, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and File.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Minutes of July 12, 2016

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
MINUTES
July 12, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson: Ken Elwin, Interim City Engineer
Committee Members: Shawn Henry, Fire Chief
Julie Nelson, Planning Manager Designee
Juan Olmos, Director of Public Works Designee

Absent: Jacob Struble, Police Chief Designee

C. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Traffic Committee Minutes of May 10, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and file.

Juan Olmos Moved, Ken Elwin Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Julie Nelson

Absent: Jacob Struble

Clerk's Note: Staff recommendation approved.

E. REPORTS

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None.

F. BUSINESS

1. Request #16-017 – Request for Alteration of Crosswalk on 16th Street at N Street (John Cardoza)

(Citizen is requesting a crosswalk lighting system on 16th Street at N Street due to their concern for pedestrian safety.)

Citizen JOHN CARDOZA was present and detailed his concerns over pedestrian safety at the crosswalk

Chairperson ELWIN stated the crosswalk was at an uncontrolled intersection, and he would be in favor of eliminating the crosswalk.

Public Works Manager MIKE MILLER suggested removing the east side of the crosswalk and adding flashing lights in the future when funding is available. Mr. MILLER stated flashing lights would cost approximately \$12,000.

The Committee discussed other locations along 16th Street, noting the various uncontrolled intersections with crosswalks should be addressed at the same time.

MOTION (amended): To remove the eastern crosswalk on 16th Street at N Street and add additional signage to the western crosswalk. The motion also includes adding 16th Street Crosswalk Improvements as a future CIP project. **

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Juan Olmos Moved, Julie Nelson Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Julie Nelson

Absent: Jacob Struble

***Clerk's Note:* The Committee amended the motion to include adding the flashing lights as a future CIP project and the various existing uncontrolled crosswalk locations along 16th Street as part of the CIP project.

2. Request #16-018 – Request for Installation of a Traffic Signal or Four-Way Stop at R Street and Childs Avenue (Ronnie A. DeAnda)
(Citizen is requesting the installation of a traffic signal or four-way stop at R Street and Childs Avenue due to their concern of vehicle collisions and pedestrian safety.)

Citizen RONNIE DEANDA was present and explained his concerns for pedestrian safety, driver visibility, and excessive speeding at the intersection of R Street and Childs Avenue.

Citizen ISABELLE SANCHEZ also commented that she has been a long-time resident of Childs Avenue and believes the intersection is dangerous. She noted that Childs Avenue is a designated truck route, making it a high traffick area. Ms. SANCHEZ invited the Traffic Committee to walk the area to see their perspective of the issue.

Citizen ABIGAIL RAMIREZ also noted the curvature of the intersection makes visibility a major issue.

Chairperson ELWIN explained the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requires specific warrants must be met in order to add a new four-way stop. Mr. ELWIN reviewed the traffic accident counts provided by the Police Department and stated he would need additional information in order to determine if traffic accident history alone would be sufficient to meet warrants. Mr. ELWIN also explained that Childs Avenue is an arterial street, and that traffic would be higher on an arterial street versus a residential road.

Mr. ELWIN agreed the intersection issues would need to be addressed, but due to the alignment of the streets the City would need to acquire Right-of-Way in order to install a traffic signal at the intersection. He also explained that signals cost upwards of \$400,000 and that the Streets budget does not have sufficient funding for a project of that size.

Ms. RAMIREZ asked if the City was looking into grant funding for the intersection already and if there was any other solution to solve their concerns for safety. Chairperson ELWIN stated the City's Engineering Department actively pursues grants for various CIP projects, but that a grant had not been sought specifically for the R Street and Childs Avenue Intersection.

The Committee discussed various alternatives to address the citizen concerns at the intersection and agreed the intersection would need to be evaluated by Engineering Staff prior to their decision.

MOTION: To continue the item, pending the City's Engineering Department review of additional information regarding warrants, the evaluation of the intersection and their formal recommendation regarding the necessity of a crosswalk and four-way stop at the intersection.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Shawn Henry Moved, Juan Olmos Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Julie Nelson

Absent: Jacob Struble

3. Request #16-019 – Request for No Parking Zone on Childs Avenue at R Street (Maria Navarrete)
(Citizen is requesting the addition of a No Parking Zone on the northeast corner of Childs Avenue at R Street due to their concern of trucks blocking driver visibility at the intersection.)

Citizen RONNIE DEANDA commented that semi-trucks making deliveries to the corner store often park on the street, blocking visibility

at the intersection. He also mentioned the shrubbery on the corner forces drivers to pull out too far onto Childs in order to see, creating a dangerous situation.

Chairperson ELWIN questioned whether the neighborhood had approached the store owners with their concerns about the delivery trucks. Ms. ABIGAIL RAMIREZ stated they had not, but would request an appointment with the store owner. Mr. ELWIN stated the Engineering Department would contact the City's Code Enforcement Department about the overgrown shrubbery.

Committee Member NELSON stated the proposed four-way stop would alleviate the visibility issue, and suggested continuing the item until the Committee votes on the request for the four-way stop.

MOTION: To continue the item until Request #16-018 is re-addressed by the Committee.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Julie Nelson Moved, Ken Elwin Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Julie Nelson

Absent: Jacob Struble

4. Request #16-020 – Request for No Parking Zone on West 22nd Street Near M Street (Robert Gilbert)
(Merced Court Employee is requesting the addition of a No Parking Zone on the south side of West 22nd Street near M Street due to their concern of line-of-sight issues for vehicles exiting the County parking lot.)

Citizen ROBERT GILBERT clarified he was requesting the red curb on behalf of the judges who use the parking lot and explained the visibility issues of drivers making a left-hand turn due to vehicles parking so close to the edge of the driveway.

Committee Member NELSON questioned if fifteen (15) feet of no

parking was the standard and if it would be sufficient. Committee Member OLMOS suggested removing the first stall of parking as it would be more efficient due to the current parking striping.

Chairperson ELWIN was in favor of the 15 feet, and stated it would provide sufficient line-of-sight for drivers. Mr. ELWIN added the current no parking zone to the east of the driveway would need to be included in the code update.

MOTION: To approve a 15 foot no parking zone directly adjacent to the west side of the driveway entrance along the south side of West 22nd Street and approve adding the existing no parking zone on the east side of the driveway.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: Approves amending the current ordinance to add the No Parking Zone along West 22nd Street.

Juan Olmos Moved, Shawn Henry Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Julie Nelson

Absent: Jacob Struble

G. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.

By:

Approved:

Jamie Cruz
Secretary II/Recording Secretary

Ken Elwin
Interim City Engineer/Chairperson

Agenda Item: F-1
Meeting Date: 09/13/2016



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Request #15-019 - Request for Removal of 2-Hour Parking Limit at the Mondo Building Parking Lot / Parking Lot 1A (Manuel Alvarado)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Sierra Health Foundation Employee requests removal of two-hour parking limit in the parking lot located behind the Mondo Building on Main Street (Parking Lot 1A) due to employees of the surrounding businesses parking on Main Street to avoid the two-hour limit, taking away from customer parking.

This item was heard at the September 8, 2015 Traffic Committee meeting and was referred to the Economic Development Department for coordination with the downtown businesses. A public meeting was held, and the Merced Main Street Association voted to support the proposed changes to Parking Lot 1A.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Memorandum dated 8/31/2016
2. Traffic Committee Minutes Excerpt
3. Citizen Request #15-019
4. Location Map

City of Merced
Merced Visitor Services a Division of the Office of Economic Development
Interoffice Memorandum

Date: August 31, 2016
To: City of Merced Traffic Committee
From: Karen Baker, Development Associate
Subject: Request #15-019-Request for Removal of 2-hour parking limit behind the Mondo Building Parking Lot 1A (Manuel Alvarado)

Manuel Alvarado from Sierra Health Foundation went before the City of Merced Traffic Committee requesting removal of two-hour parking limit in Parking lot 1A located behind the Mondo Building on Main street due to employees of the surrounding businesses parking on the street to avoid the two-hour limit, taking away from customer parking. The businesses have been issued many tickets because they have not been able to move their cars while attending to their customers.

The Traffic Committee asked staff of the Economic Development Department to hold a downtown public parking meeting with surrounding businesses that will be directly affected by the change and to speak to Merced Main Street Association to get their recommendation of support of the removal of two hours parking in Parking Lot 1A.

Notices that the Merced Downtown Public Meeting were hand delivered to businesses surrounding the proposed ADA parking spaces and discussions were held with businesses owners that were not going to be able to attend. No opposition was expressed from any of the businesses surveyed.

The Merced Downtown Public Meeting was held on January 20, 2016, and all attendees were in favor of the removal of the two hour time limit, but only in Parking Lot 1A, not Parking Lot 1. Merced Main Street Association also was in favor of the proposal.

Mr. Alvarado was informed that the proposed parking spaces were not going to be designated specifically for Sierra Health Foundation or other tenants, but be open to the public at large. The parking stalls would be on a first come first serve basis,

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4. Request #15-019 - Request for Removal of 2-Hour Parking Limit or Issuance of Parking Permits for Designated Spaces at the Mondo Building Parking Lot (Manuel Alvarado)
(Sierra Health Foundation Employee requests removal of two-hour parking limit in the parking lot located behind the Mondo Building on Main Street due to employees of the surrounding businesses parking on the street to avoid the two-hour limit, taking away from customer parking.)

Citizen MANUEL ALVARADO detailed his concerns on parking issues in Downtown Merced, requesting the 2-hour parking limit be removed.

Chairperson ELWIN stated a meeting with the Downtown Association on the proposed parking changes would be necessary to remain consistent with past practice, and that the effort would be referred to the Economic Development Department for coordination.

MOTION: To refer the item to the Downtown Association to make an official recommendation to the Traffic Committee.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Ken Elwin Moved, Bill King Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Stan Murdock, Bill King, Jeff Horta

Absent: Jacob Struble

City of Merced

RQ#: 15-019

Citizen Action Request Form: Traffic Committee

Contact Person: Manuel Alvarado Day Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____ Today's Date: 7/7/2015

Location of Concern (map attachments and photographs are encouraged):
500 West Main St. Block Parking Lot. 2 Hour Limit
Mondo - Schaffer Building - Behind the Downtown Lofts.

Describe Concerns At This Location: Please see the attached narrative
and petition of business owners & residents of the area/block

For Official Use Only:

Project #: _____ Date Received: _____ Date Field Inspected: _____

Field Inspection Results: _____

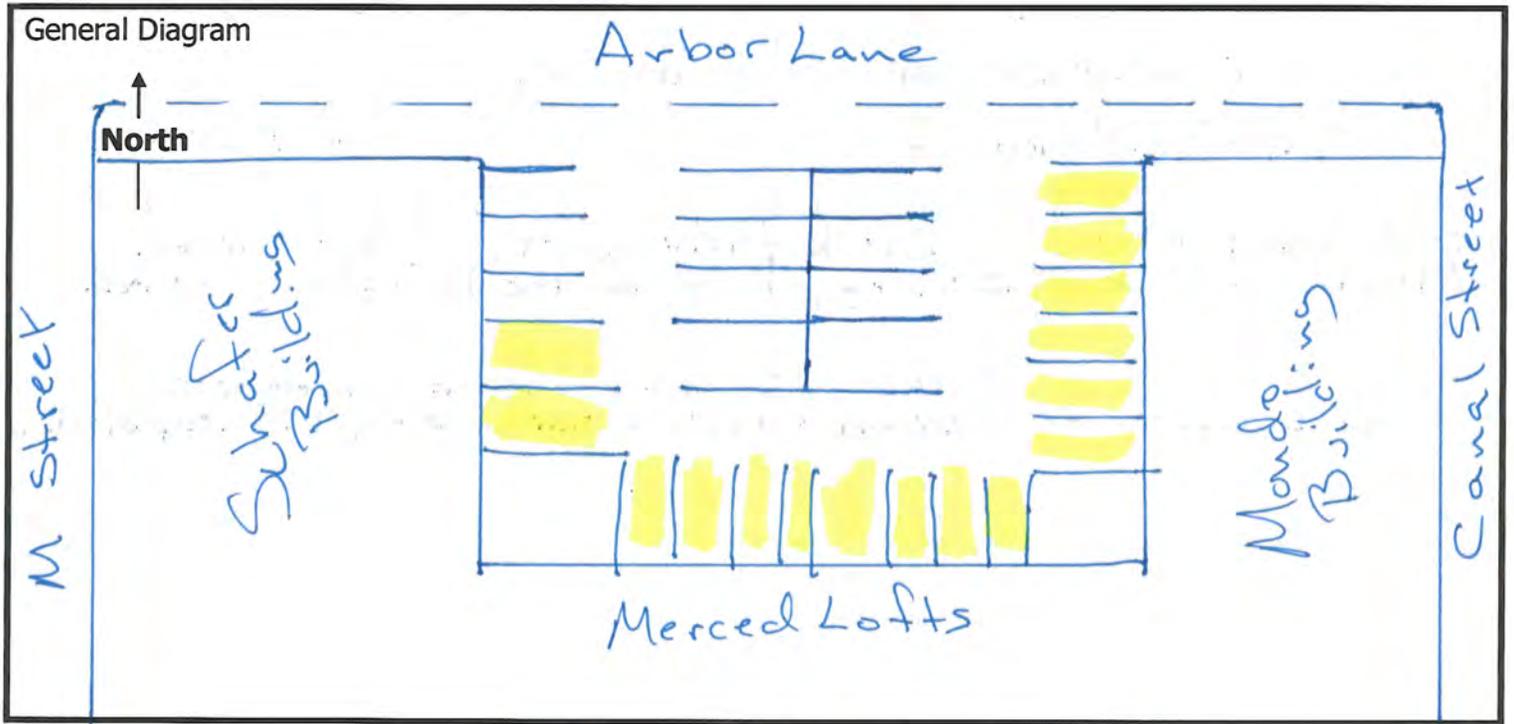
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Resolution of Concern: _____

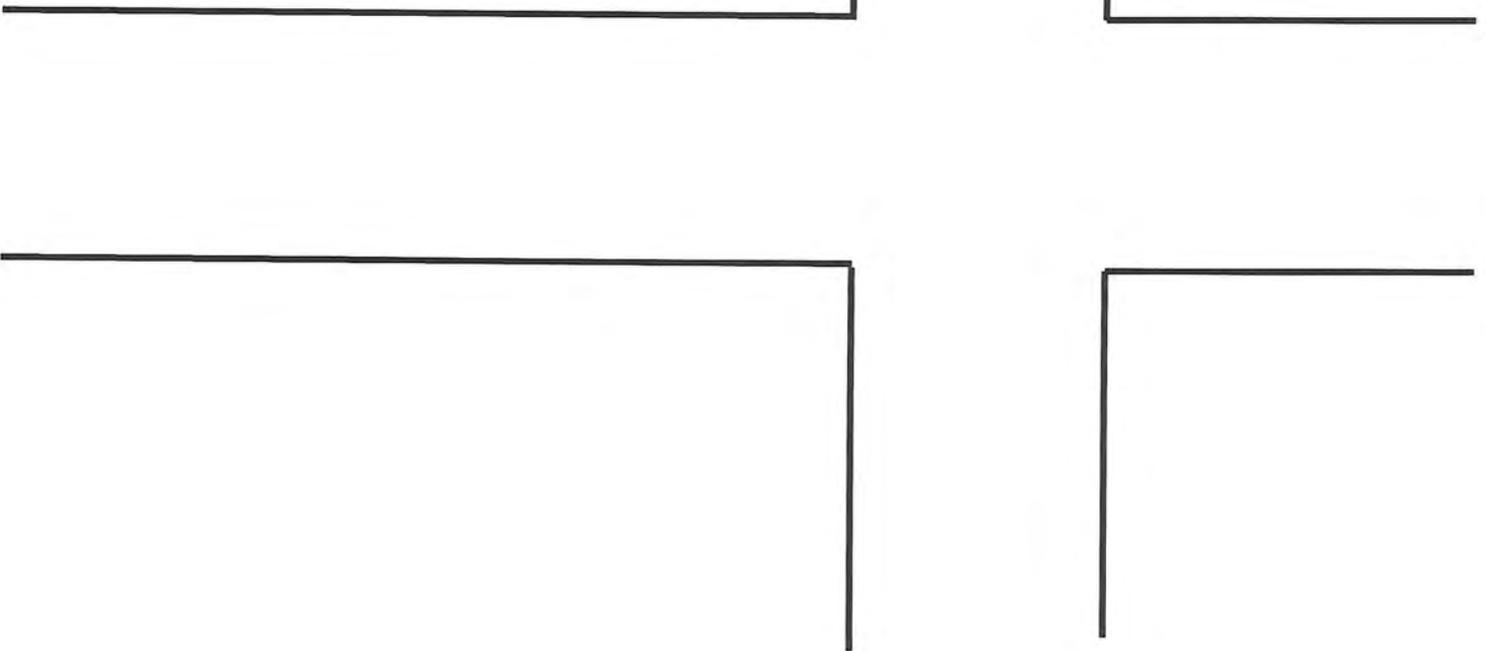
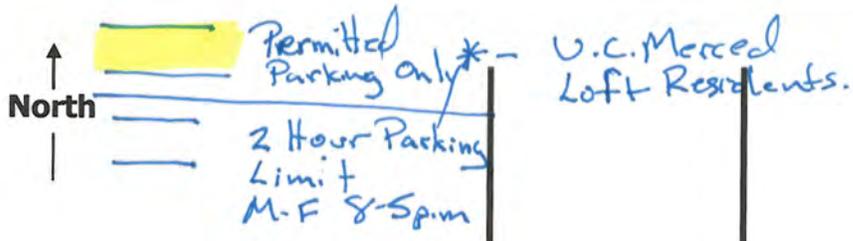
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Traffic Engineer's Signature or Designee Date

DIAGRAMS



Location of Concern



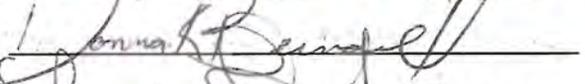
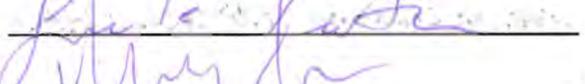
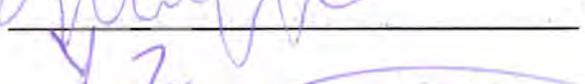
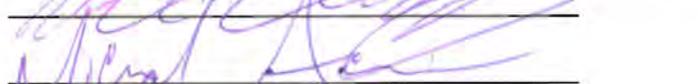
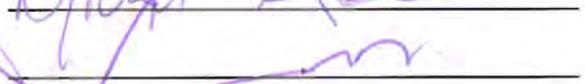
The off-street parking lot of the 500 Block of West Main Street Mondo to the Schaffer buildings:

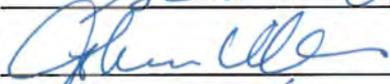
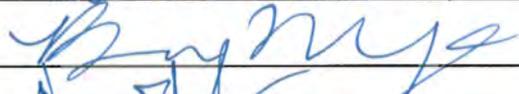
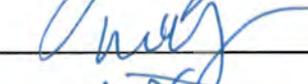
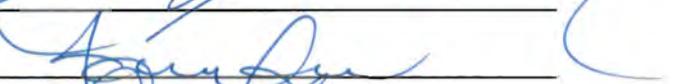
At this time Business Owners on this block must move their cars every two hours so that they will not be ticketed, which means we must close our doors to do so. This is not convenient for those of us who are sole proprietors and cannot leave our business's to move our cars during business hours. Whereas the street parking has no limit and some business owners are forced to park on the street, due for the same reasons of being sole proprietorship. This puts our customers in the situation of having to parks some distance from the business they wish to patronize. Business owners parking in parking lots blocks away is not an option due to lack of security of those lots and not being readily accessible during business hours. We ask that this two hour restriction be removed from this lot; or provide parking permits to the business owners that will allow them to park in this lot during business hours of operations.

Permits are provided to the loft residents in our building, but almost all of these residents leave their designated parking stall, because they are "at work" during this time(Monday thru Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm) and are parked elsewhere. UC Merced has permitted stalls for some of their Mondo staff during this time. We feel we are just as vital to the downtown business district and the UC Merced staff and the loft residents.

80% of the time (Monday – Friday 8:00am – 6:00pm) this lot is more that 70% empty, as well as the lot across the alley in front of Toni's Courtyard.

Below are the signatures of business owners who are in favor of either of these efforts:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Business Name</u>	<u>Signature</u>
Manuel Alvarado	Sierra Health Foundation	
Donna Bernard	Salon Stiletto's	
Laura Burman	Salon Stiletto's	
Heather Engers	Salon Stiletto's	
Saula Tristen	Headquarterz	
MARCO BUSTO	HEADQUARTERZ	
Yader Zeledon	Headquarterz	
Marc Cortez	Headquartz	
Mike Acavedo	Headquarterz	
Tony Martinez	Headquarterz	

<u>Name</u>	<u>Business Name</u>	<u>Signature</u>
Jaimi Hernandez	Headquarterz	
Shahid Hassan	Nothing to Hide	Shahid Hassan
Seema Chopra	Nothing to Hide	Seema Chopra
Johanna Villaver	Alison Nicole	
Natalie Posadas	Alison Nicoles	Natalie Posadas
Adriana Morfin	ALISON NICOLES	Adriana Morfin
Briana Marfin	Alison Nicoles	
Chris Zeledon	Headquarterz	
Joey Richards	Headquarterz	Joey Richards
YADER ZELEDON	Headquarterz	
Mikenna Hultgren	Pet Salon	
Daniel Kazatos	Kazatos Consulting, LLC	
Joey Essig	The Partisan	
Joey Essig	17th St. Public House	
KEVIN HAMMOND	600 BINARY SYSTEMS	
ROBERT MATSUI	five.ten.Bistro	Robert Matsui
MICHAEL SMID	RED SKY COMICS	
WALTER L. BROWN	KCS COLLECTIBLES	
Melissa Aranda	the Beauty Spot	
See Man	Kibby Road LLC	
Luis Alvarado	Valley cutz	
Jessica Morales	Valley Cutz	
Paul Avila	Valley cutz	

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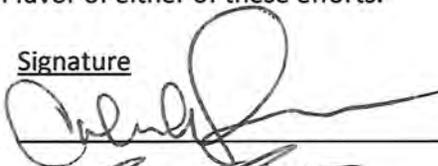
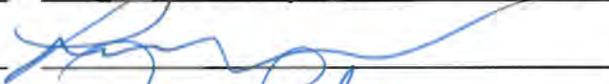
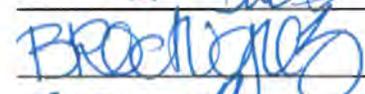
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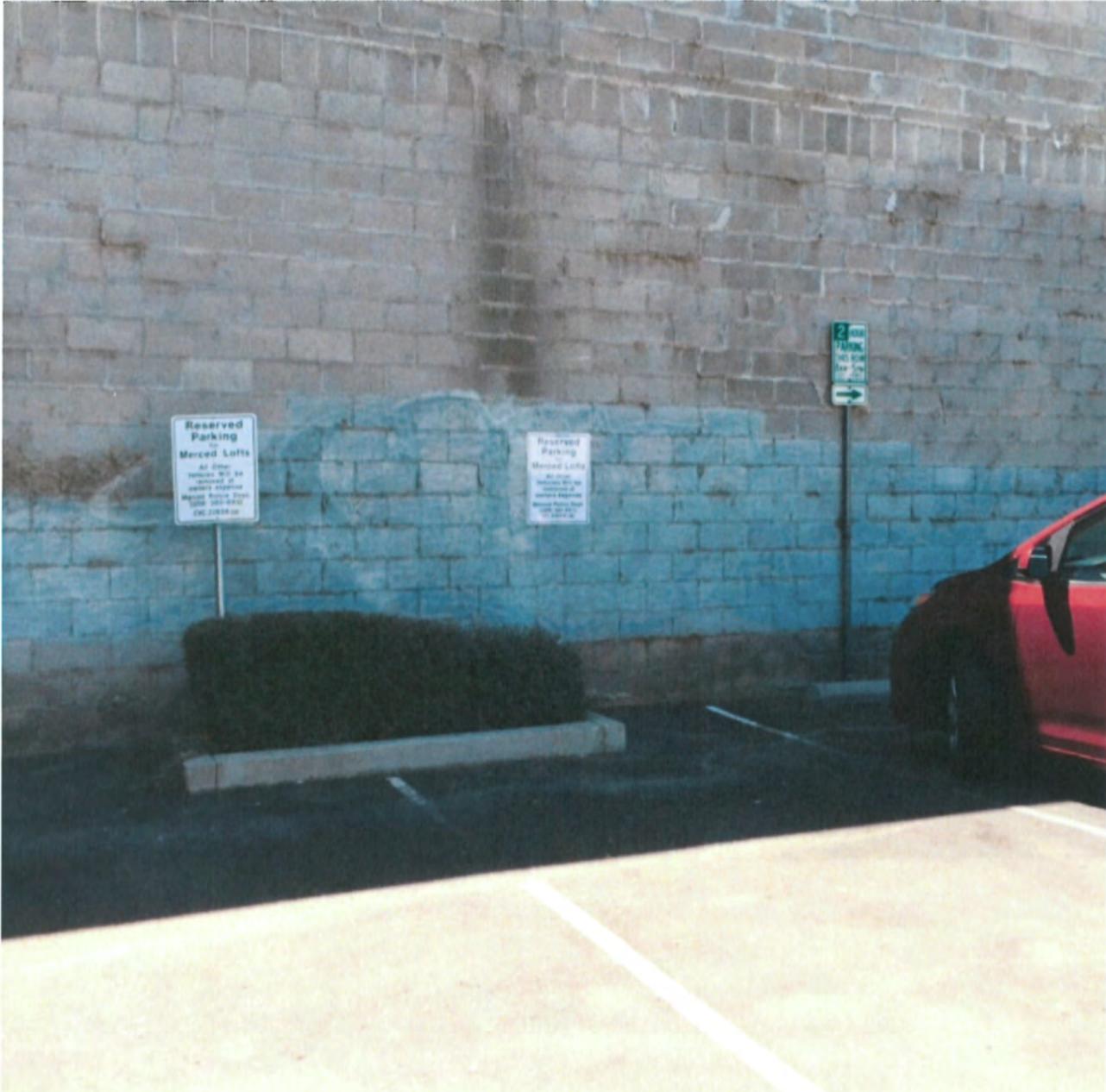
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COLEEN SOUZA	Valley Cutz	
Esteban Cananillo	Valley Cutz	
Luis Velazquez	Valley Cate	
DAN FVENTZ	Scissor hair	
Berenice Rodriquez	Betty's Bridal	
Zane Zuehlke	Zane-IT	
May Poth	Vogue Salon	
Edroy Carrizo	Gateway Gardens	
Ana Ambriz	Ambriz Doe Services	
Melissa Villegas	Brightart Print & Design	

Manuel Alvarado

From: Manuel Alvarado
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2015 10:20 AM
To: Manuel Alvarado
Subject: Parking Lot 1





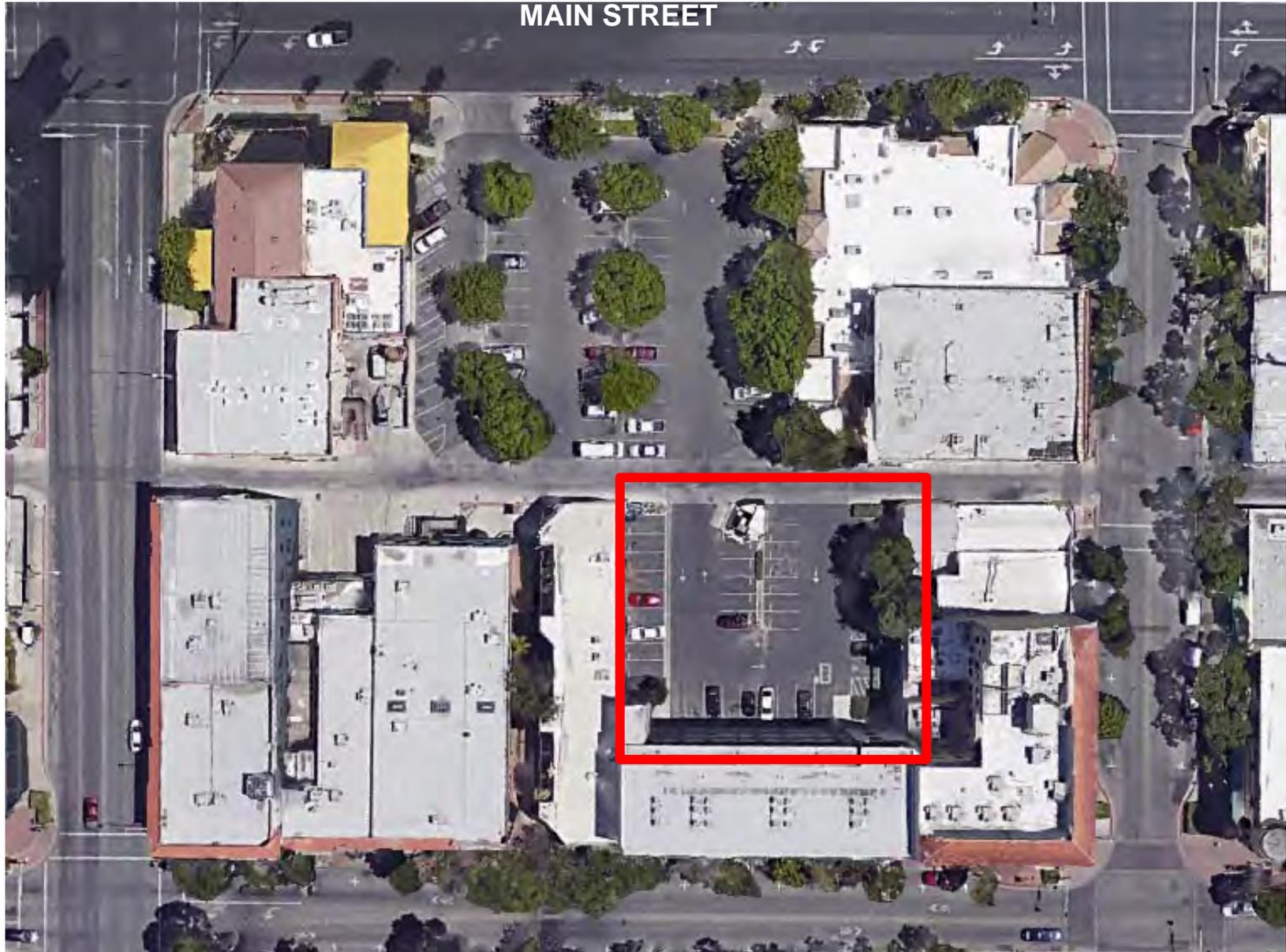




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Thank you.

LOCATION MAP

Item F-1: Request for Removal of 2-Hour Parking Limit at the Mondo Building Parking Lot / Parking Lot 1A



Agenda Item: F-2
Meeting Date: 09/13/2016



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Request #15-020 – Request for Two Handicap Parking Spaces on K Street at Main Street (Cliff Caton)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Property owner requests the on-street parking on the east side of K Street at Main Street be converted to two handicap parking spaces to better serve the customers at Valley Health Center and Medical Supply.

This item was heard at the September 8, 2015 Traffic Committee meeting and was referred to the Economic Development Department for coordination with the downtown businesses. A public meeting was held, and the Merced Main Street Association voted to support the addition of the proposed on-street handicap parking spaces at K Street and Main.

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Merced Visitor Services a Division of the Office of Economic Development
Interoffice Memorandum

Date: August 31, 2016
To: City of Merced Traffic Committee
From: Karen Baker, Development Associate
Subject: Request #15-020-Request for Two ADA Parking Spaces on K Street at Main
(Cliff Caton)

Cliff Caton went before the City of Merced Traffic Committee to requesting the on-street parking spaces located on the east side of "K" Street at Main Street be converted to two ADA parking spaces to better serve the customers at Valley Health Center and Medical Supply.

The Traffic Committee asked staff of the Economic Development Department to hold a downtown public parking meeting with surrounding businesses that will be directly affected by the change and to speak to Merced Main Street Association to get their recommendation of support for the ADA parking spaces.

Notices that the Merced Downtown Public Meeting were hand delivered to businesses surrounding the proposed ADA parking spaces and discussions were held with businesses owners that were not going to be able to attend. No opposition was expressed from any of the businesses surveyed including the Regal Hollywood Merced 13, who stated that the ADA spaces would be great for their patrons.

The Merced Downtown Public Meeting was held on January 20, 2016, and all attendees were in favor of the ADA parking spaces. Merced Main Street Association also was in favor of the proposal per Manual Alvarado, Board Member of the Merced Main Street Association.

Mr. Caton was informed that the proposed ADA parking spaces were not going to be designated specifically for Valley Health Center and Medical Supply, but be open to the public at large.

Staff spoke to John Sagin, Principal Architect for the City of Merced, who stated that in order to convert the ADA spaces, the City would need to add a ramp and restripe the existing spaces. Also, it will require three parking spaces to make two ADA spaces with an eight foot walkway. The cost for this project will be approximately \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00.

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TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

5. Request #15-020 – Request for Two Handicap Parking Spaces and Three 30-Minute Parking Spaces on K Street at Main Street (Cliff Caton)
(Property owner requests the on-street parking on the east side of K Street at Main Street be converted to two handicap parking spaces and three thirty-minute parking spaces to better serve the customers at Valley Health Center and Medical Supply.)

Chairperson ELWIN detailed the location of existing handicap parking spaces and the required sidewalk changes necessary to accommodate the request. Mr. ELWIN also stated the item should be referred to the Downtown Association prior to a Traffic Committee decision.

MOTION: To refer the item to the Downtown Association to make an official recommendation to the Traffic Committee.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Stan Murdock Moved, Bill King Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Stan Murdock, Bill King, Jeff Horta

Absent: Jacob Struble

City of Merced

RQ#: 15-020

Citizen Action Request Form: Traffic Committee

Contact Person: Cliff Caton Day Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____ Today's Date: 8/6/2015

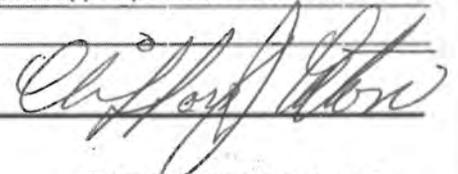
Location of Concern (map attachments and photographs are encouraged):

Parking stalls on east side of K Street, north of Main Street, downtown Merced, next to Valley Health Center & Medical Supply, 359 Main Street.

Describe Concerns At This Location: I own the building at this location. The business here, my tenant, has expressed to me many times - the business serves Merced residents many of whom are aged and/or infirm and have various disabilities that hinder mobility.

The nearest Handicapped parking spaces are 100' to the east, or in the rear parking lot 212' to the north. For the parking area to the east, a handicapped person must walk or wheel into an vehicle accessway. For the northerly parking area it is the same, plus a busy alley must be crossed. Patrons have told the business owner that this is too difficult and frightening, and either seek another source for their needs, or if elderly, do without.

My request is that some of the existing parking spaces close to the Valley Health's entrance be re-designated for both Handicapped parking and for 30-minute zone parking. This will also allow safer access to the theater for handicapped patrons. Please convert two spaces to Handicapped parking, and three spaces to 30-minute parking. Thank you.



For Official Use Only:

CATON PROPERTIES
952 West Main Street
Merced, Ca 95340

Project #: _____ Date Received: _____ Date Field Inspected: _____

Field Inspection Results: _____

Date Response To Contact Person: _____

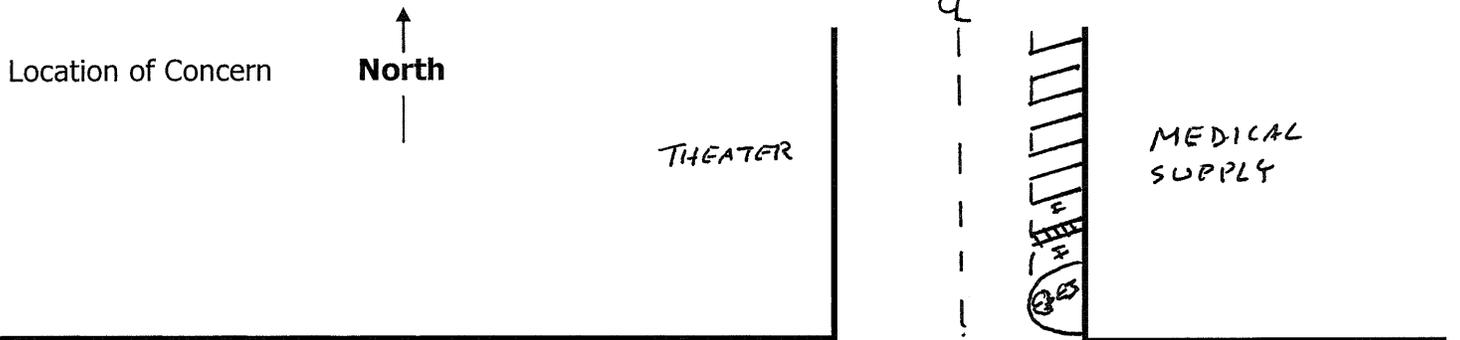
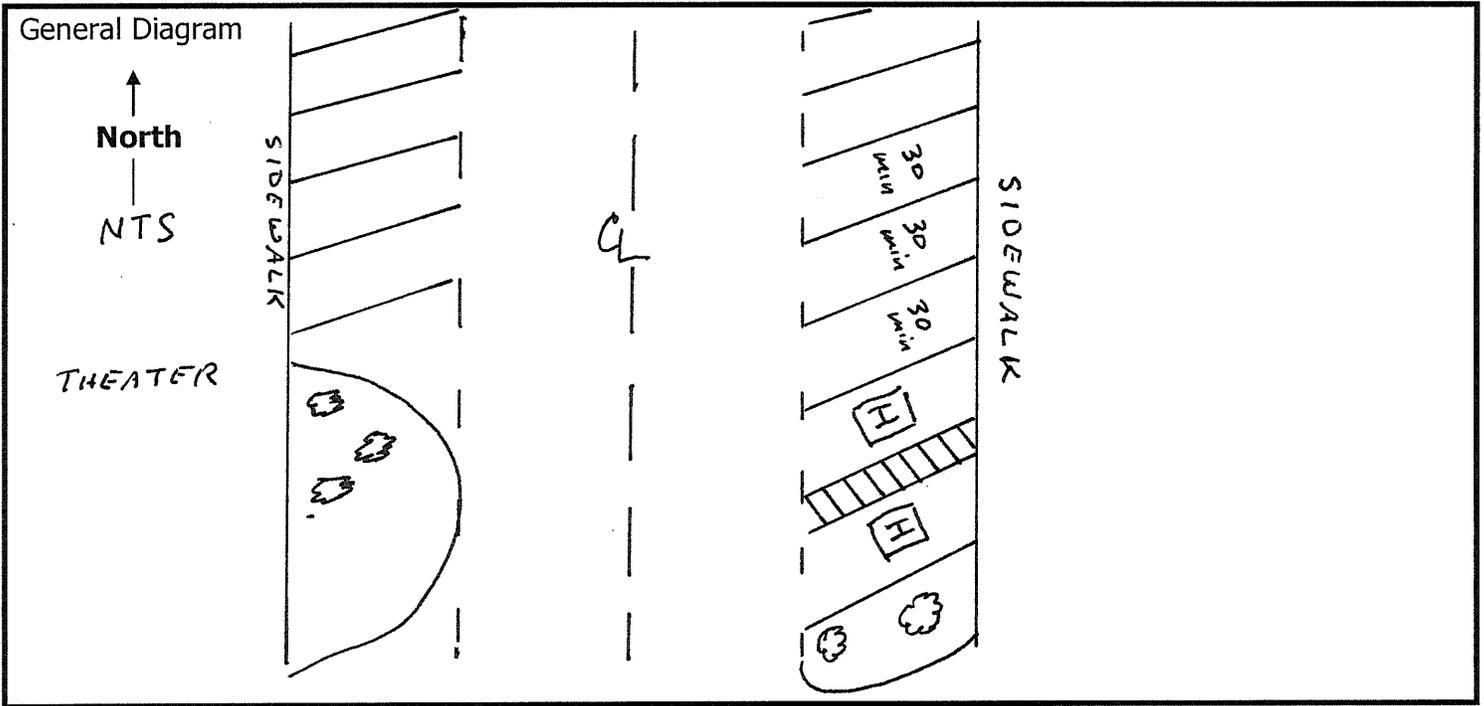
Resolution of Concern: _____

Date Completed: _____

Traffic Engineer's Signature or Designee

Date

DIAGRAMS



MAIN STREET

RESTAURANT

"K" STREET

KING'S RESTAURANT







LOCATION MAP

Item F-2: Request for Two Handicap Parking Spaces on K Street at Main Street



Agenda Item: F-3
Meeting Date: 09/13/2016



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Request #16-014 – Request for Residential Permit Parking Zone along a Portion of Beals Avenue (Randy Starkweather)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Citizen is requesting a residential permit parking zone on a portion of Beals Avenue, directly across from Merced College, due to various issues including parking congestion, loitering, garbage, loud music, and jaywalking.

This item was previously heard at the May 10, 2016 meeting. Per Traffic Committee direction, the requesting party has surveyed an expanded neighborhood area for their input on a potential residential permit parking zone.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Letter dated 8/31/2016
2. Traffic Committee Minutes Excerpt
3. Citizen Request #16-014
4. Location Map

August 31, 2016

Traffic Committee Members and Staff:

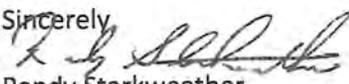
Request for Residential Parking Zone. Beals Ave. between Spaulding Ct. and Yosemite Ave.

We are submitting the updated information requested by the Traffic Committee. We were directed to return to the residences in the target area designated by this committee to inform them that their area is being considered for the residential parking zone. We walked the designated area outlined on the map provided by the Engineering Department on two separate days. We decided to wait to complete this survey until after the Fall semester began. This was done so that people living in the area could see if the problems we are experiencing on Beals Ave. are an issue for them also. The first survey was conducted on Sunday, August 28th between 6:00pm and 7:pm. We felt that this would be a good time to catch most people at home. The second survey was conducted on Thursday, August 31st between 6:30pm and 7:30pm. Only the homes that had no contact made on the first survey were included on the second day. The results are listed below and supported by the completed forms provided by the Engineering Department. Contacts and attempted contacts were made at 32 residences.

<u>Response</u>	<u>Count</u>
Yes, in favor	9
No, not in favor	14
No contact made	8 People not home or would not open door.
Vacant	1
<u>Total</u>	<u>32</u>

Please be aware that it is still the desire of the original 10 home owners and tenants to have our area designated a residential permit parking zone. The problems outlined in the original request continue to exist with the new school year. We look forward to meeting with the Traffic Committee to discuss our request and hopefully moving it to the next step.

Sincerely,


Randy Starkweather



PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE

The area defined in the attached map (bounded by M Street to Beals ^{Ave.} Court and Yosemite Avenue to just south of Spalding Court) is being requested as a Residential Permit Parking Zone pursuant to the requirements detailed in Merced Municipal Code Chapter 10.50 – Residential Parking Permit Zones (full code section available online at www.municode.com/library/ca/merced/codes/code_of_ordinances or by contacting the City Engineering Department at 209-385-6846).

IF YOU ARE IN SUPPORT of this request, please complete & sign the petition below. IF YOU ARE OPPOSED to this request, please line through your address. This petition will be submitted to the Merced Traffic Committee for their consideration at an upcoming meeting.

ADDRESS	NAME	PHONE #	OWNER/TENANT	SIGNATURE
3569 Tammy Court	NO CONTACT	—	—	—
3579 Tammy Court NO	—	—	—	—
3589 Tammy Court NO	—	—	—	—
3588 Tammy Court NO	—	—	—	—
3578 Tammy Court	ARTHUR HAYES	761-4553	Garden	<i>Arthur Hayes</i>
3568 Tammy Court	NO CONTACT	—	—	—
3567 Hagen Court NO	—	—	—	—
3577 Hagen Court NO	—	—	—	—
3587 Hagen Court NO	—	—	—	—
3597 Hagen Court NO	—	—	—	—
3596 Hagen Court	Rick Santel	209-723-2408	Garden	<i>Rick Santel</i>
3586 Hagen Court NO	—	—	—	—
3576 Hagen Court	NO CONTACT	—	—	—
3566 Hagen Court	NO	—	—	—
3541 Wathen Court NO	—	—	—	—

PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE

3571 Wathen Court	Sheroy F Hymer	356-0755	0	SHEROY HYMER
3561 Wathen Court	McComb	384-0277	0	J N Q
3551 Wathen Court	VACANT	—	—	—
3572 Wathen Court	NO CONTACT DID NOT ANSWER DOOR	—	—	—
3562 Wathen Court	NO CONTACT	—	—	—
3552 Wathen Court	RAY SHELTON	209-628-2075	T	RAY SHELTON
3542 Wathen Court NO	—	—	—	—
592 Spalding Court				
582 Spalding Court				
572 Spalding Court				
562 Spalding Court				
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522 Spalding Court				
512 Spalding Court				
3532 Wathen Avenue				

PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONE

	3551 Wathen Court				
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X	582 Spalding Court	JOSE FSI ⁶⁵⁸ WA 0496	OWNER	José FSI	
	572 Spalding Court	NO CONTACT	—————	—————	—————
	562 Spalding Court	NO CONTACT	—————	—————	—————
X	552 Spalding Court	John Vann 230-0911	owned	John Vann	
	542 Spalding Court	NO CONTACT	—————	—————	—————
	532 Spalding Court	B. Kinn Schaller 204-725-2676	Owner	B. Kinn Schaller	
	522 Spalding Court No	—————	—————	—————	—————
X	512 Spalding Court	B. Kinn Schaller 204-725-2676	Owner	B. Kinn Schaller	
	3532 Wathen Avenue No	—————	—————	—————	—————

MINUTES EXCERPT
TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
MAY 10, 2016

5. Request #16-014 – Request for Residential Permit Parking Zone along a Portion of Beals Avenue (Randy Starkweather)
(Citizen is requesting a residential permit parking zone on a portion of Beals Avenue, directly across from Merced College, due to various issues including parking congestion, loitering, garbage, loud music, and jaywalking.)

Citizen STEVE BANDA was present and spoke on behalf of Mr. Starkweather who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. BANDA explained the various issues the neighborhood faced due to their proximity to Merced College, including illegal drug use.

Committee Member STRUBLE explained that it is not against the law at this time to smoke marijuana in public if the citizen has a medical marijuana card; therefore even if the Police are able to respond quick enough to catch them in the act, they would not be able to prohibit them from smoking.

Committee Member STRUBLE went on to state the entire neighborhood (bounded by M Street to Beals Court and Yosemite Avenue to just south of Spalding Court) should be considered for the Residential No Parking Zone. Mr. STRUBLE stated if the committee were to approve only the requested section, it would probably result in the next street over experiencing similar issues.

Mr. BANDA questioned whether they could still proceed with the original request if they are unable to garner support from the larger defined area. The Committee affirmed they would re-consider the request at a future meeting, but the survey would still need to be completed prior to their consideration.

MOTION: To continue the item, pending a survey of the defined neighborhood area.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time.

Jacob Struble Moved, Ken Elwin Seconded

Vote: 4-0

Voting Aye: Ken Elwin, Shawn Henry, Juan Olmos, Jacob Struble

Absent: Julie Nelson

City of Merced

RQ#: 10-014

Citizen Action Request Form: Traffic Committee

Contact Person: RANDY STARKWEATHER Day Phone: 209-617-7822

Email Address: RESTARKY@GMAIL.COM

Address: 3573 BEALS AVE. MERCED CA 95348 Today's Date: 4-24-2016

Location of Concern (map attachments and photographs are encouraged):

3500 BLOCK OF BEALS AVE. BETWEEN YOSEMITE AVE AND
SPALDING CT.

Describe Concerns At This Location: ACTIVITIES OF PEOPLE WHO PARK OFF
CAMPUS WHILE ATTENDING CLASSES OR FUNCTIONS AT MERCED
COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

REQUEST & GOAL: INSTALL RESIDENTIAL PARKING ONLY
SIGNS AS NEEDED TO ELIMINATE OFF
CAMPUS PARKING DURING DAYTIME HOURS.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION, DIAGRAMS AND PHOTOS.

For Official Use Only:

Project #: _____ Date Received: _____ Date Field Inspected: _____

Field Inspection Results: _____

Date Response To Contact Person: _____

Resolution of Concern: _____

Date Completed: _____

Traffic Engineer's Signature or Designee

Date

The following residents residing on Beals Ave., between Yosemite Ave. and Spalding Street, within the City of Merced, request the Merced City Traffic Committee to authorize the City of Merced to install signs indicating "RESIDENTIAL PARKING ONLY", pursuant to Merced City Code, 10.50.010-Establishment.

Name	Address	Phone#	Signature	Owner / Tenant
KRISTI LOCKE	3564 BEALS	707 839-0665	Kristi Locke	OWNER
DAN SHAMBAUGH	3574 BEALS	209-769-0445	Dan E. Shambaugh	OWNER
Steve Banda	3544 Beals Ave.	209-205-0007	Steve Banda	OWNER
Monica & Dave Ballegos	3553 Beals AVE	209-675-8341	Monica R. Ballegos	Renter
JACKIE DE SANTIS	3543 BEALS AVE	209-384-2780	Jackie DeSantis	owner
MARTHA C Lopez	3539 Beals AVE	(209) 384 1552	Martha C Lopez	OWNER
Lillian Padilla	3533 Beals ave	(209) 384-1552	Lillian Padilla	owner
Chris Gallery	3554 Beals Ave	209 7232392	C Gallery	owner
RANDY STARWEATHER	3573 BEALS AVE.	209-383-7842	Randy Starweather	OWNER
Anna Marualli	3563 Beals Ave	209-205-0161	Anna Marualli	Owner

04/24/2016

To whom it may concern:

We, the home owners and tenants living on the 3500 block of Beals Ave. are requesting consideration for the placement and enforcement of residential parking only signs on Beals Ave. between Yosemite Ave. and Spalding Ct. It is our desire to eliminate the daily parking on Beals Ave. by people attending classes and activities at Merced Community College.

The issues are listed below

- **Parking congestion:** It is not uncommon for there to be no parking available in front of our homes during school hours.
- **Loitering, garbage dumping, loud music and drug use:** These issues are the main reason for this request for action.
- **Jaywalking:** Several people have made it a habit to walk down the center of Beals Ave. and cross Yosemite Ave. at the end of Beals Ave. A controlled crosswalk at Stadium Way and Yosemite Ave. is only 80 feet away.

Observations and comments

We are aware that these problems are not unique to this area alone. We also realize that this action may just transfer the problem to another street. It seems that the problem does not extend at this time south on Beals Ave. past Spalding Ct. People do park on Spalding Ct. between Beals Ave. and Wathen Ave. The problems we are describing do exist on Spalding Ct., but no residences front this short section of street.

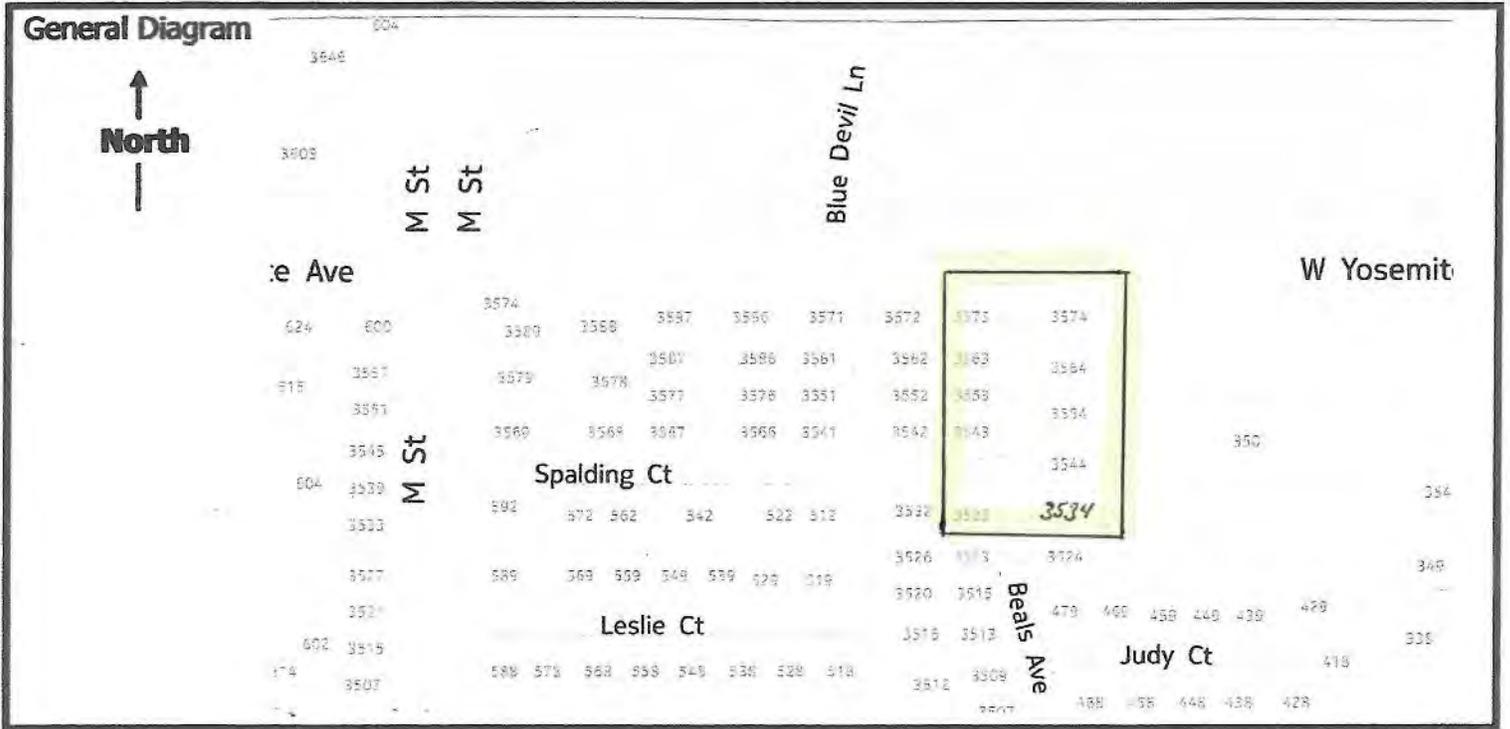
We do understand that many people are just trying to save on the parking fee charged by the college. They usually cause no problems, walk on the sidewalks, say hello and cross the street using the crosswalk. We are not trying to be un-neighborly people. It seems the actions of some will affect everyone if this request is successful.

The issues of loitering, trash dumping, loud music, football throwing and drug use usually take place during the lunch hours. People have been observed doing these activities, and attempts have been made to ask them to stop. Reports have been made to the Merced City Police as well as the Campus Police. It's interesting to note that these activities take place under or near neighborhood watch signs. Different people who live on Beals Ave. have approached these persons with little to no change in the activities.

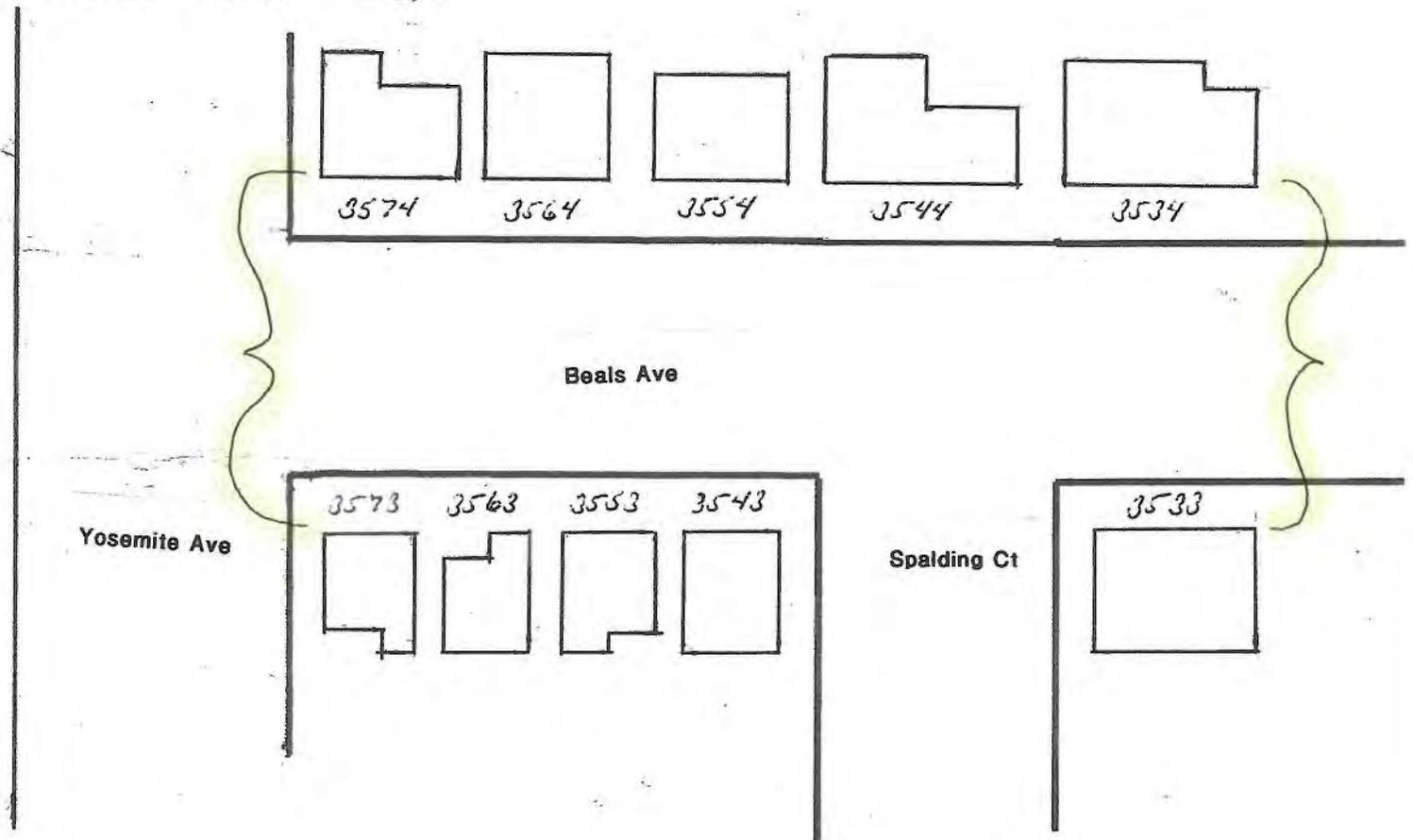
The signs we are requesting already exist and are in use on the west side of the Campus along M St. They are on the south side of University Dr. between M St. and Notre Dame Ave. They are also on both sides of Colgate Ct. and Cornell Ct.

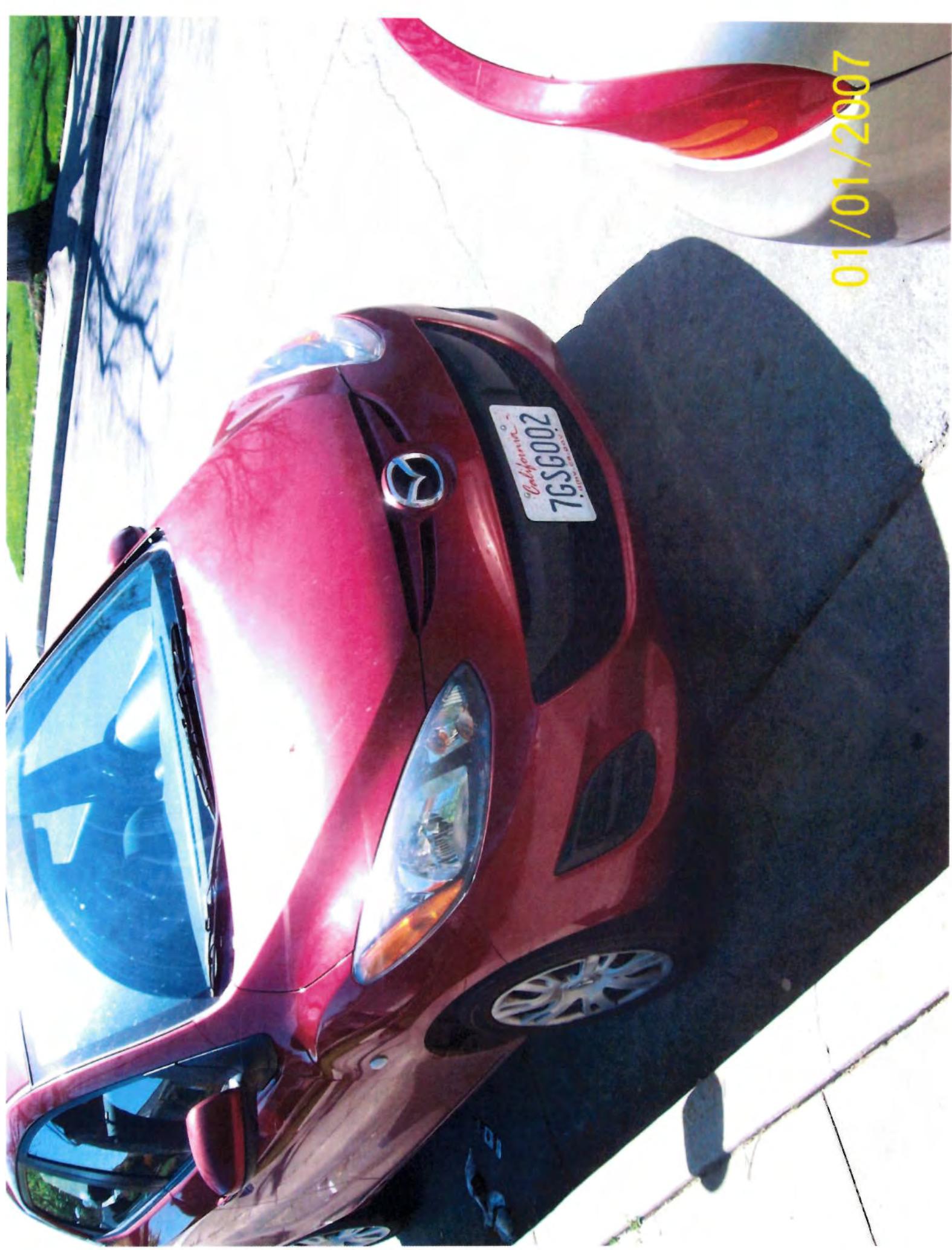
We thank you for the consideration you are giving to this issue.

DIAGRAMS



Location of Concern ← North

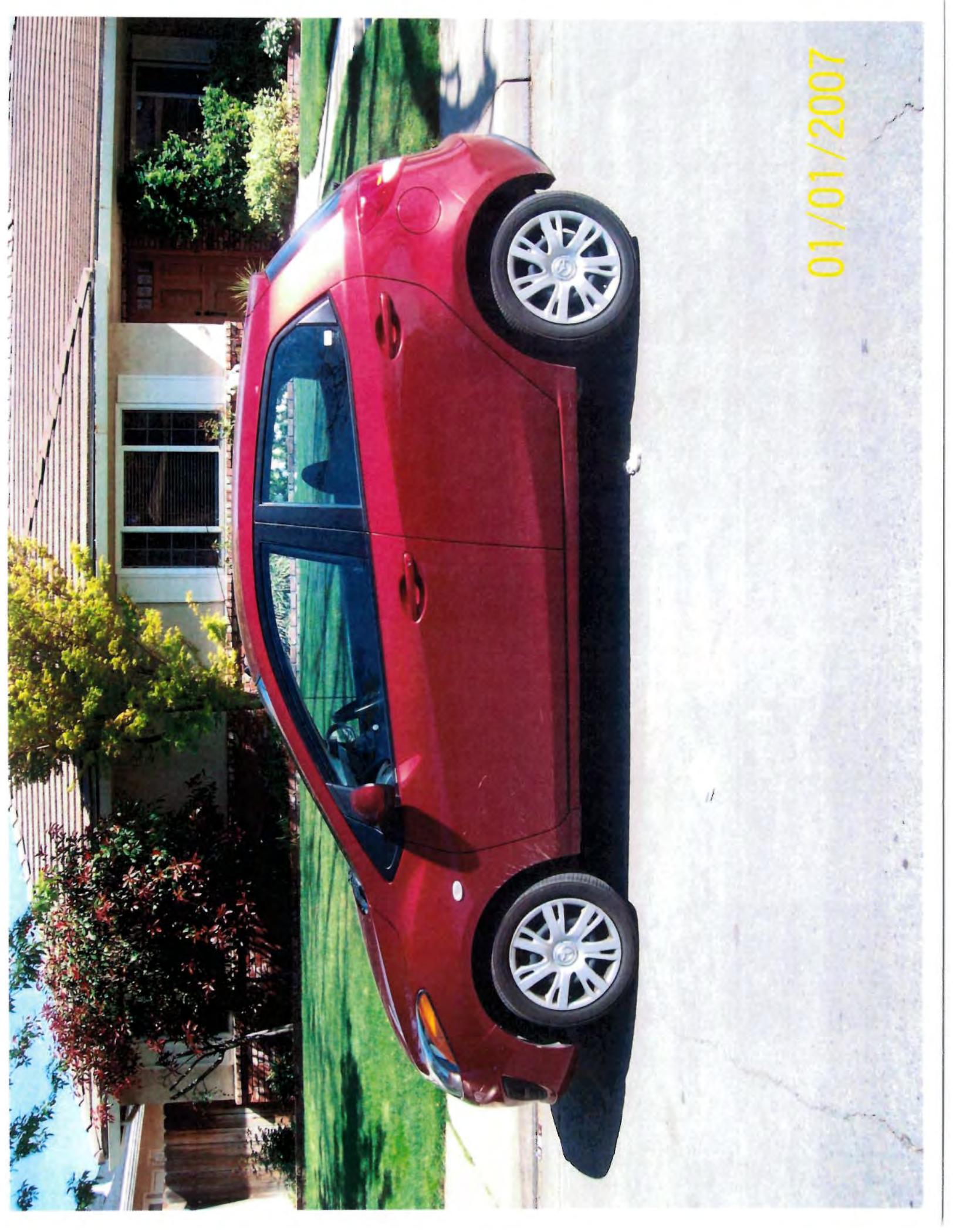




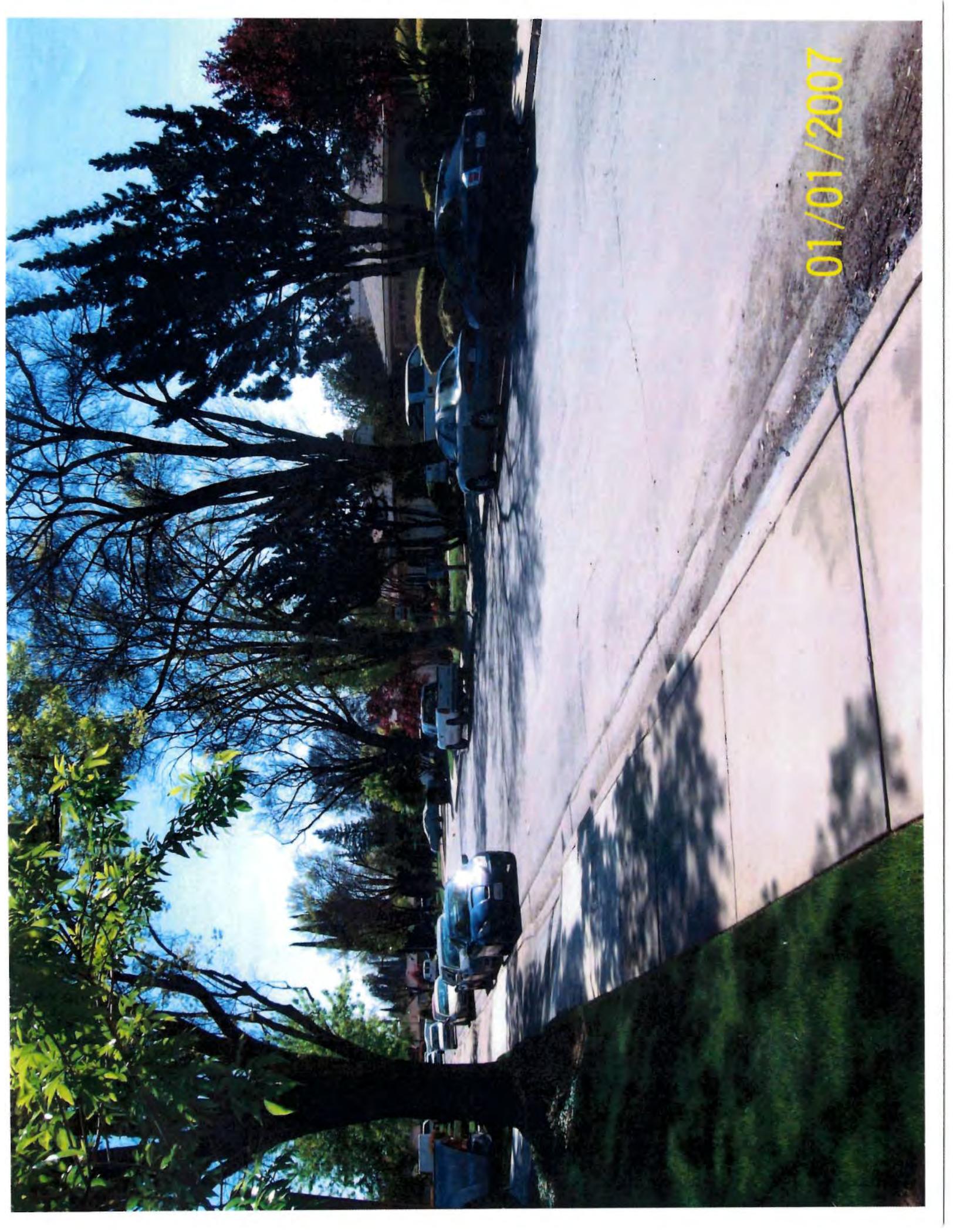
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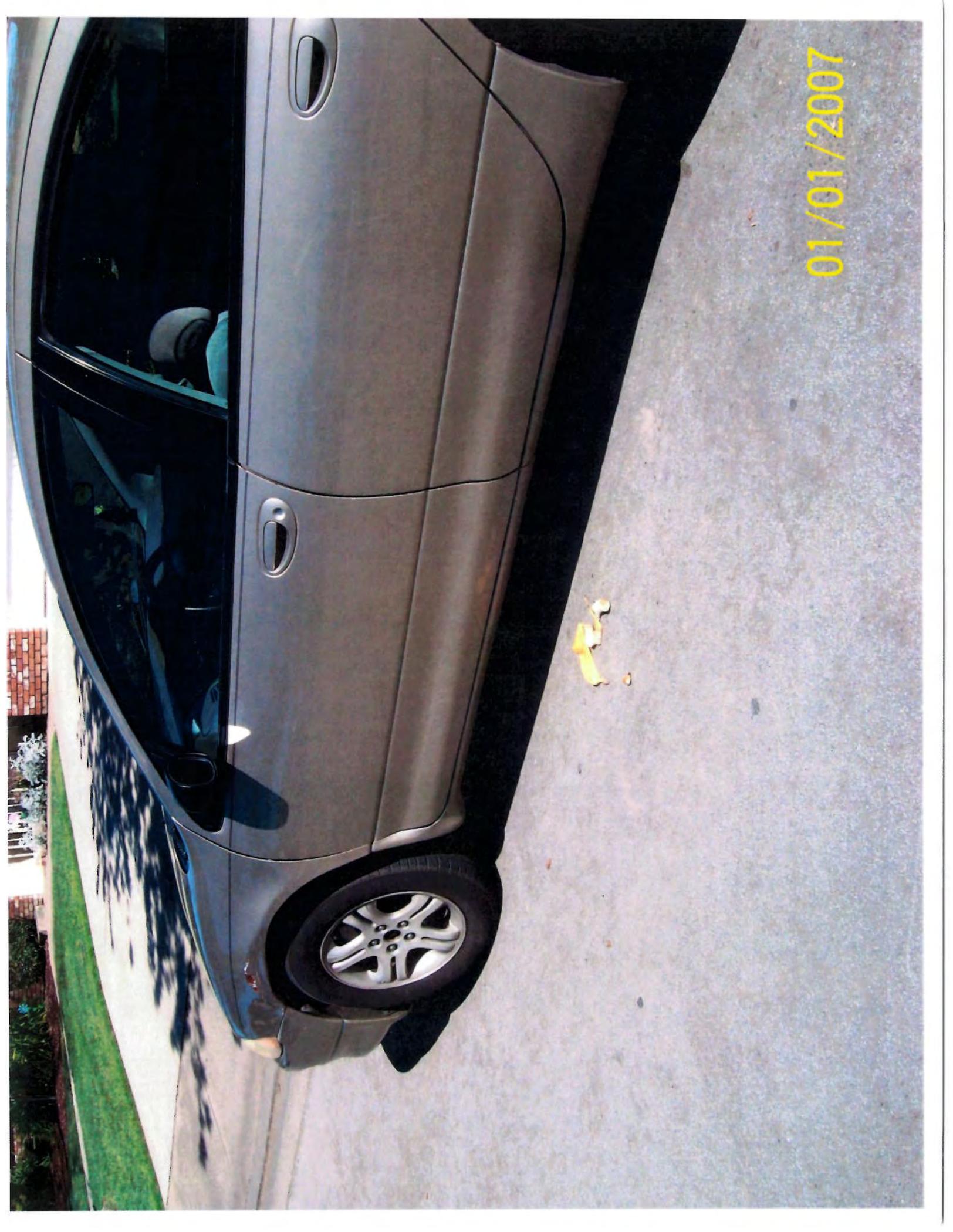
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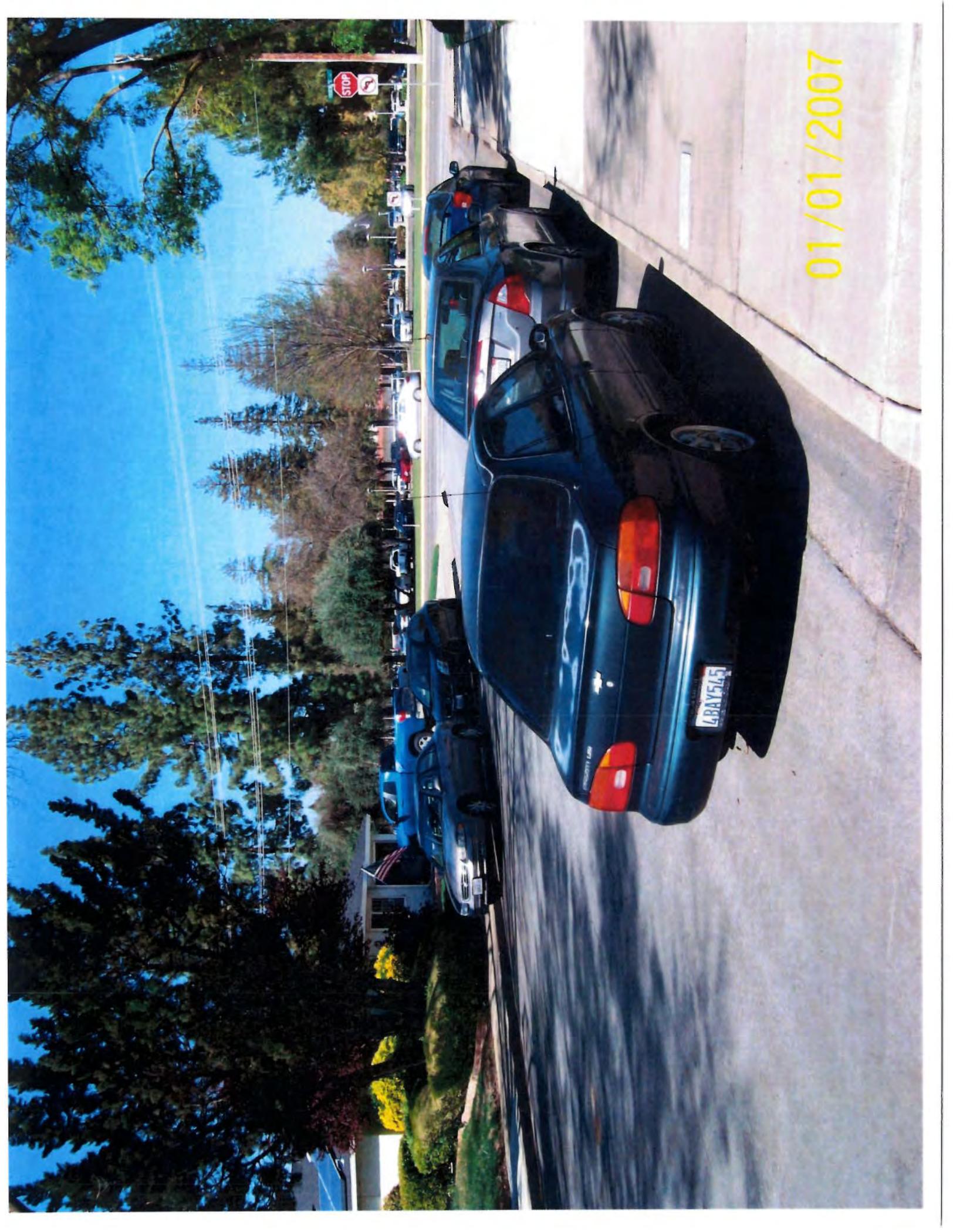


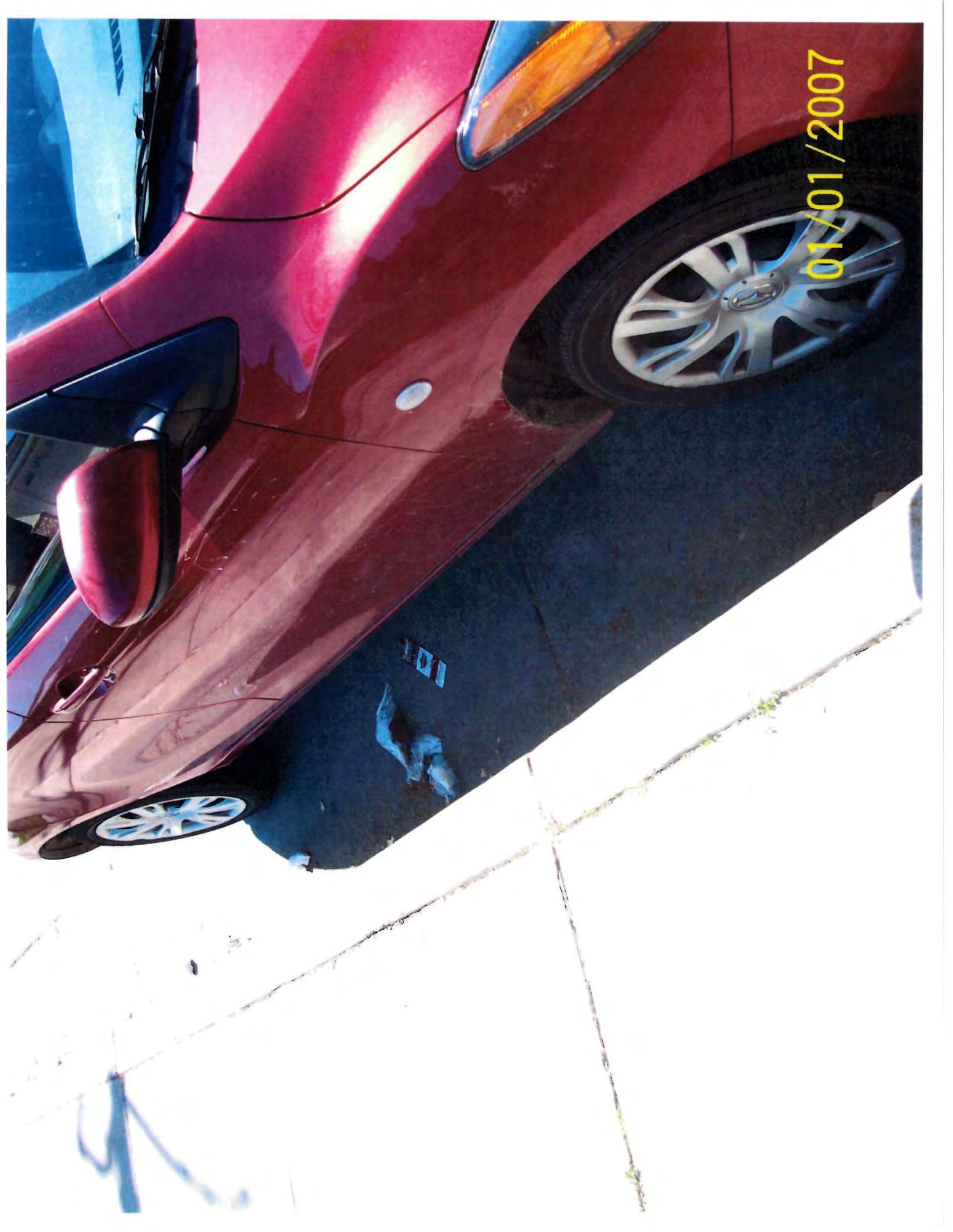
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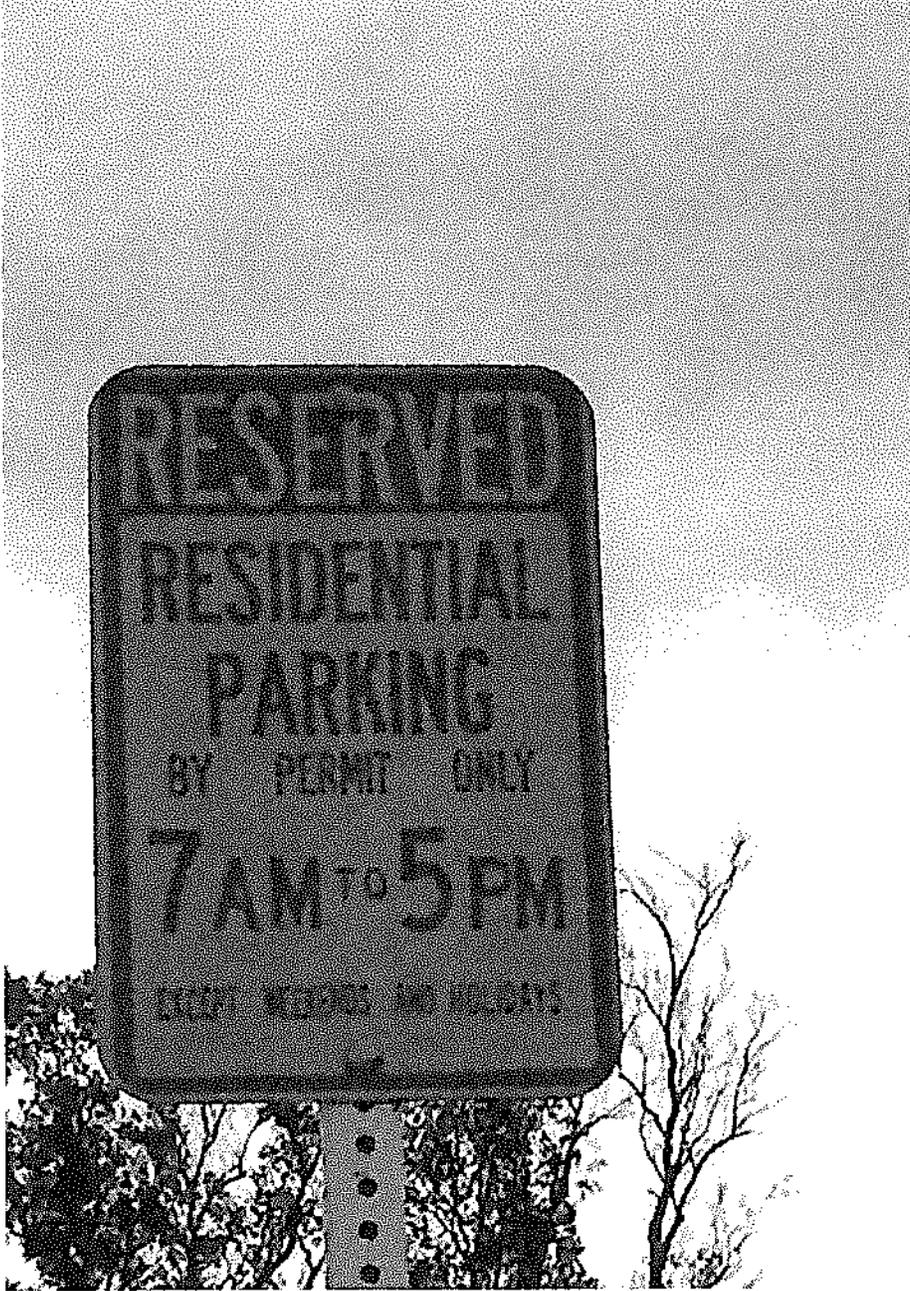




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RESIDENTIAL
PARKING

BY PERMIT ONLY

7AM TO 5PM

EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS



LOCATION MAP

Item F-3: Request for Residential Permit Parking Zone
along a Portion of Beals Avenue



Agenda Item: F-4
Meeting Date: 09/13/2016



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Request #16-021 – Request for Alignment Warning Sign on Saratoga Court (Jon Hawthorne)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Citizen is requesting the addition of a left turn arrow at the 90 degree bend of Saratoga Court due to their concern of vehicles crashing into their residence.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Citizen Request #16-021
2. Location Map

City of Merced

RQ#: 16-021

Citizen Action Request Form: Traffic Committee

Contact Person: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____ Today's Date: _____

Location of Concern (map attachments and photographs are encouraged):

Describe Concerns At This Location: _____

For Official Use Only:

Project #: _____ Date Received: _____ Date Field Inspected: _____

Field Inspection Results: _____

Date Response To Contact Person: _____

Resolution of Concern: _____

Date Completed: _____

Traffic Engineer's Signature or Designee

Date

LOCATION MAP

Item F-4: Request for Alignment Warning Sign on Saratoga Court

