

# CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION MEMORANDUM

**DATE**: February 23, 2023

TO: Parking and Public Improvements Commission

**FROM:** Erik Zandvliet, T.E., City Traffic Engineer

SUBJECT: Consider a Request for 2-Hour Parking Restrictions on Flournoy Road

between 31st Street and 33rd Street

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Based on limited sight distance when vehicles are parked near the corner, staff recommends that the Commission move to recommend to the City Council a 40-foot long red zone on the west side of Flournoy Road, just south of 33<sup>rd</sup> Street.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In December 2022, the City received a request from Daniella Mondello and Timothy Ryan, local residents on Flournoy Road, to post "2-Hour Parking 8 AM - 6 PM Monday-Saturday, Except Holidays" restrictions on the west side of Flournoy Road between 31st Street and 33rd Street. The residents explained that curb parking is being used all day by non-residents and for multi-day, long-term parking, which narrows the street to one lane. The parked cars also block access to the walkway to their homes. (Exhibit 1)

The same residents submitted a separate request for No Parking Anytime restrictions on the east side of Flournoy Road between 31st Street and 33rd Street. Based on the narrow width of the street and uneven pavement edge, the City Traffic Engineer approved the request for safety reasons and sent a work order to install the signs. This work is still pending.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Flournoy Road between 31<sup>st</sup> Street and 33<sup>rd</sup> Street is a 27-foot wide local roadway with a 25 MPH speed limit located in the Tree Section of the City. The street connects with Rosecrans Avenue to the north and Valley Drive to the south. This street segment has no curbs, gutters or

sidewalks and is in a single family residential zone. Curb parking is allowed on the west side of the street and will soon be prohibited on the east side. (Exhibit 2)

Field observations were made on typical days during peak and non-peak periods. Street parking on Flournoy Road is generally light, with some periods of moderate parking generally related to construction workers and overflow parking from residences on 31st Street or 33rd Street. Multiple day parking on the street has not been confirmed but has been reported by the adjacent residents. When vehicles are parked on both sides of the street, the roadway is narrowed to less than one travel lane wide. The usable roadway width will be expanded to about 18 feet with the pending removal of street parking on the east side of Flournoy Road between 31st Street and 33rd Street. There is a retaining wall along the west side of the street with a stairway opening at 668 33rd Street that can be blocked by a vehicle parked along the wall. The Traffic Engineer also observed that vehicles parked on the west side of Flournoy Road near the intersection can impede sight distance for eastbound drivers on 33rd Street looking south before entering the intersection.

The Traffic Engineer believes that 2-hour parking would discourage daytime and long-term parking on Flournoy Road. As a result, it would redirect that parking demand onto 31st Street and 33rd Street in front of other residences. Alternately, long-term parking can be addressed by enforcing the City's maximum 72-hour parking limit on any street.

Based on the general need to preserve public street parking in the City, the Traffic Engineer does not recommend 2-hour parking restrictions in residential areas. However, the removal of street parking trimming of overgrown vegetation on the west side of Flournoy Road from  $33^{\rm rd}$  Street southerly for approximately 40 feet would significantly improve sight distance for the intersection of Flournoy Road and  $33^{\rm rd}$  Street. It should be noted that the red zone would extend to the stairway opening in the retaining wall, which would prohibit parked vehicles from blocking access to the residence.

#### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION, OUTREACH, AND COMMENT

Residents and property owners within 300 feet of this street segment were notified by mail of the requested parking restrictions and were invited to provide input to the Commission. The public has been informed of this agenda item as part of the City's standard meeting notice practices via public bulletin boards, website calendar, and social media. The City has received no additional correspondence related to this matter prior to posting the agenda for this item.

#### **EXHIBITS**:

- 1. Citizen Petition 12/7/2022
- 2. Aerial Image and Site Photos

## **EXHIBIT 1**





### City of Manhattan Beach Parking Petition Form

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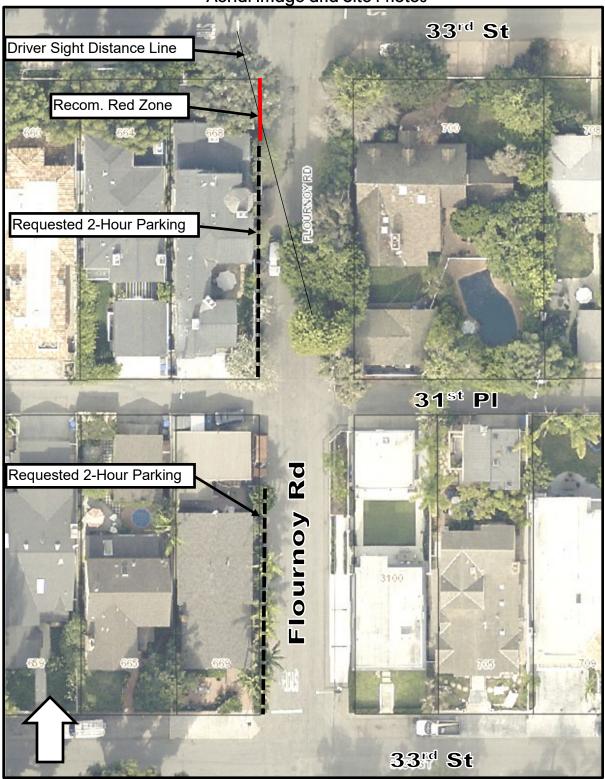
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EXHIBIT 2
Request for Two-Hour Parking Restrictions on Flournoy Road
Aerial Image and Site Photos





Flournoy Road at  $31^{st}$  Street Looking North



Flournoy Road at  $33^{\rm rd}$  Street Looking North