

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Joseph M. Deakin, Public Works Director
SUBJECT: Parking Restriction at the 3300 Block of Spring Street
DATE: May 20, 2003

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider restricting parking on the east curb of Spring Street at the northern most end of the 3300 block.

FACTS:

1. Spring Street is a heavily traveled arterial roadway that is intersected by 34th Street. Vehicles parking on the east curb of Spring Street, south of 34th Street, restrict the view of cross-traffic. Vehicles parking on the east curb of Spring Street, south of 34th Street, restrict the view of pedestrians crossing in the painted crosswalk.
2. 34th Street at Spring Street is a school crossing. School Crossing Guards complain vehicles do not stop even with signed. Two traffic collisions have been documented at the intersection over the past year.
3. The owner of the property fronting Paso Robles Ford was contacted and had no objections to the proposed parking restriction at this location.

ANALYSIS &

CONCLUSION: Traffic on 34th Street at Spring Street is controlled by stop signs. In addition, there is a painted crosswalk and "School Crossing" signs. Elementary students are assisted by an adult School Crossing Guard during school access/egress peak times. Installation of a red curb will remove one or two curb parking spaces. The safety of pedestrians and drivers will be increased as visibility is increased.

The parking issue was discussed at the April 25th meeting of the Streets and Utilities Committee. The Committee recommends the City Council consider the option to restrict parking.

POLICY

REFERENCE: None.

FISCAL

IMPACT: None

OPTIONS:

- a. Restrict parking on the east curb of Spring Street at the northernmost end of the 3300 block, approximately 30 feet.
- b. Amend, modify or reject the above option.