



Agenda Report

22-1340

Agenda Date: 11/1/2022

REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030), Submitted by Kirk Vartan Requesting to Place an Agenda Item on a Future Council Meeting for Council to Discuss the New Parking Permit Ordinance and Rules

COUNCIL PILLAR

Enhance Community Engagement and Transparency

BACKGROUND

Council Policy 030 - Adding an Item on the Agenda (Attachment 1) sets forth the procedure for written petitions. Any member of the public may submit a written request raising any issue or item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. Per the policy, the written request will be submitted on the agenda, in the form substantially provided by the requestor, without any staff analysis, including fiscal review, legal review and policy review. If a simple majority of the City Council supports further study of the request, then a full staff analysis shall be prepared within thirty (30) days, unless otherwise directed by the City Council.

DISCUSSION

The City Clerk's Office received a Written Petition on October 11, 2022 from Kirk Vartan, requesting to place an agenda item on a future council meeting for Council to discuss the new parking permit ordinance and rules. (Attachment 2).

In the request Kirk Vartan states:

I would like to discuss the new parking permit ordinance and rules. The current signs are already very restrictive at 1-2 hours for parking. As a small business, our employees need to park. Residents don't need parking during the day as they have a 2-car garage and two driveway spots, allowing for four cars to be parked per house, at least near our pizza shop. I don't believe public streets should be severely restricted like this. We are high taxpayers in this city, and we need your help. It has been fine so far. WHY do this now? Can businesses purchase permits? We need them.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is an administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website

and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any report to council may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>> or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Set a future Council meeting date to take action on the Written Petition received.
2. Take no action.
3. Any other City Council Action, as determined by the City Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff makes no recommendation.

Reviewed by: Nora Pimentel, Assistant City Clerk

Approved by: Rajeev Batra, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Policy and Procedure 030 - Adding an Item on the Agenda
2. Written Petition submitted by Kirk Vartan dated October 11, 2022