



AGENDA REPORT

Department: Engineering & Public Works
Prepared by: Luca Zappiello, Associate Engineer-Civil
Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025
Approved by: Scott W. Huth, Interim City Manager

SUBJECT:

Installation of a Blue Curb Disabled Persons Parking Space with Signage in Front of the Residence Located at 2005 Grove Street.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, Authorizing the Installation of a Blue Curb Disabled Persons Parking Space with Signage in Front of the Residence at 2005 Grove Street."

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:

At their meeting on June 11, 2025, the Traffic Safety Committee unanimously approved the installation of a blue curb disabled persons parking space with signage in front of the residence located at 2005 Grove Street.

EXPLANATION:

Mrs. Georgina Molina, resident of 2005 Grove Street, has requested a blue curb disabled persons parking space in front of her residence. The resident possesses a valid disabled person's placard from the California Department of Motor Vehicles. Additionally, her husband, Mr. Francisco Molina, is also disabled and possesses a valid disabled person's placard from the California Department of Motor Vehicles. Both disabled persons placards are attached. Mrs. Molina stated that since the house is on a corner, she prefers to have a blue curb disabled persons parking space on E. 20th Street near her garage entrance, instead of Grove Street.

Staff visited the site and observed that Mrs. Molina's residence has a driveway and garage. With Mrs. Molina's permission and supervision, staff measured the garage and driveway. The garage is 18 feet long by 7 feet wide, with a negligible slope. The driveway is 10 feet long by 10 feet wide with a slope of approximately 7%. The garage and driveway do not meet the minimum dimensions of 20 feet long by 12 feet wide needed to accommodate a vehicle with a disabled driver or passenger.

The slope of the area on E. 20th Street where Mrs. Molina prefers to have a blue curb disabled persons parking space is approximately 6%. In order to accommodate a vehicle with a disabled driver or passenger, the slope must be 2% or less. Staff inspected the area and the closest parking space where the slope of the street is less than 2% is on Grove Street in front of the residence. Mrs. Molina supports installation of a 20-foot blue curb disabled persons parking space at this alternative location.

Adjacent to the proposed blue curb on Grove Street, staff recommends installation of 20 feet of red curb at the corner to better inform the public of the parking restrictions established by Assembly Bill 413, also known as the "daylighting" law.

The City of National City has amended chapter 11.32.225 of the National City Municipal Code which is used to evaluate requests for disabled persons parking spaces. The City's Disabled persons parking zone requirements for Special Hardship Cases are as follows:

1. Applicant (or guardian) must be in possession of valid license plates or placard for "disabled persons" or "disabled veterans". *This condition is met.*
2. The proposed disabled parking space must be in front (or side if on a corner lot) of the applicant's (or guardian's) place of residence. *This condition is met.*
3. The residence must not have useable off-street parking available or an off-street space available that may be converted into disabled parking. *This condition is met.*

This item was presented to the Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) on June 11, 2025. Staff sent a notice to the applicant and nearby residents, inviting them to the Traffic Safety Committee Meeting and encouraging them to contact staff with any questions. Mr. Francisco Molina attended the meeting to support his wife's request.

Staff presented the results of the site evaluation to the Traffic Safety Committee and after discussion, the Traffic Safety Committee voted to approve staff's recommendation to install a blue curb disabled persons parking space with sign in front of the residence at 2005 Grove Street, since all three conditions of the Special Hardship Cases section of National City Municipal Code Chapter 11.32.225(C), Disabled persons parking zone, are met.

The applicant was informed that disabled persons parking spaces do not constitute "personal reserved parking" and that any person with valid "disabled persons" license plates or placards may park in such spaces.

If approved by the City Council, all work will be performed by City Public Works.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The estimated cost to install the disabled persons parking space is approximately \$300. Funding is available within the Engineering & Public Works Streets Division maintenance and operations budget.

RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Public Safety

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

This is not a project under CEQA, and is therefore, not subject to environmental review. CCR15378; PRC 21065.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

The Agenda Report was posted at least 72 hours before the Regular Meeting date and time, and 24 hours before a Special Meeting in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act

ORDINANCE:

Not Applicable

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A – Location Map Showing Proposed Blue Curb Parking Spaces

Exhibit B – Location Map Showing Proposed and Existing Blue Curb Parking Spaces

Exhibit C – Staff Report to TSC

Exhibit D – Resolution