

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 20, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Response to Request for Central Business District Parking Restriction Changes**

On Thursday, November 5, 2020, Councilmembers Blewett, Medrano, West, and Gates submitted the attached memorandum to the City Manager requesting that staff consider eliminating rush hour parking restrictions (7:00am - 9:00am and 4:00pm - 6:00pm) in the Central Business District until COVID-19 emergency orders are lifted. This request was made to support local businesses by increasing the number of available parking spaces, while recognizing the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on traffic patterns, rendering the need for higher capacity on local streets unnecessary.

Staff has reviewed the request in coordination with Downtown Dallas, Inc., and does not foresee any major concerns with implementation of this change. Considering the temporary nature of the request, the signs stating the rush hour parking restrictions will be “hooded” or modified as necessary, beginning on Monday, November 23, 2020. Rush hour parking restrictions are handled administratively and therefore, no City Council action is required. Should there be interest in making this change permanent, staff will brief the Transportation and Infrastructure Council Committee to receive input and evaluate possible impacts and costs associated with permanent removal of the parking restriction signs.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ghassan Khankarli, Assistant Director for the Department of Transportation, at ghassan.khankarli@dallascityhall.com.

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Majed Al-Ghafry, P.E.
Assistant City Manager

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| T.C. Broadnax, City Manager | Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager |
| Chris Caso, City Attorney | Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager |
| Mark Swann, City Auditor | Dr. Eric A. Johnson, Chief of Economic Development and Neighborhood Services |
| Biliera Johnson, City Secretary | M. Elizabeth Reich, Chief Financial Officer |
| Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge | M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion |
| Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Chief of Staff to the City Manager | Directors and Assistant Directors |

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DATE November 5, 2020
TO T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
FROM David Blewett, Councilmember, District 14
SUBJECT **Request for Placement of a Council Briefing Item**

This memorandum is a request to place a briefing item on the City Council Agenda, Ad Hoc Committee on COVID -19 Recovery & Assistance Committee, or Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, as soon as possible regarding rush hour parking restrictions in the Central Business District. Specifically, we ask staff to propose a path to eliminating rush hour parking restrictions (e.g. 7:00a - 9:00a and 4:00p - 6:00p), until COVID-19 emergency orders are lifted.

Submitted for consideration by:

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David Blewett, District 14

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Adam Medrano, District 2

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Chad West, District 1

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Jennifer Gates, District 13

Printed Name, District #

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Signature

c: Honorable Council Members
Christopher J. Caso, City Attorney
Mark S. Swann, City Auditor
Billieae Johnson, City Secretary
Tristan R. Hallman, Chief of Policy and Communications, Office of the Mayor