



# *Camarillo City Council*

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## **AGENDA REPORT**

Date: December 13, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

From: Greg Ramirez, City Manager

Submitted by: Dave Klotzle, Public Works Director

Subject: Parking Restrictions at Bedford Drive and Dunnigan Street

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### **BACKGROUND**

Traffic congestion is a concern during student drop-off and pick-up at the University Preparation School located at the southwest corner of Bedford Drive and Dunnigan Street (see Attachment 1). An adult crossing guard is posted at the intersection to facilitate student crossings. On October 18, 2023, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee (Committee) considered the installation of permanent parking restrictions on Dunnigan Street and Bedford Drive to alleviate traffic congestion.

### **DISCUSSION**

Field observations revealed students are dropped off and picked up within the school parking lot. The parking lot has a dedicated entrance and exit, but congestion arises while vehicles wait to enter this parking lot. Additionally, congestion was observed southbound on Bedford Drive, and both north and south of Dunnigan Street. Similarly, east and westbound Dunnigan Street experience congestion due to drivers waiting to turn southbound on Bedford Drive. The observed traffic congestion due to parked vehicles is depicted in Attachment 2.

Temporary "No Parking" signs were placed in strategic locations on Bedford Drive and Dunnigan Street from Wednesday, September 6, through Friday, September 8, 2023. The temporary parking restrictions created dedicated right-turn lanes for eastbound Dunnigan Street west of Bedford Drive and southbound Bedford Drive north of the school parking lot entrance. Westbound traffic on Dunnigan Street could also proceed straight, turn left, or turn right, depending on vehicle direction. The parking restrictions significantly improved traffic flow and alleviated congestion as shown on Attachment 3. Based on the outcome of installing the temporary "No Parking" signs, staff recommends the permanent installation of "No Parking Signs" during school hours at the same locations as the temporary signs with the addition of a sign prohibiting parking at all times placed on the

west side of Bedford Drive, north of Dunnigan Street, 30 feet in front of the school crosswalk, as shown on Attachment 4.

The Committee directed staff to present a resolution to City Council to restrict parking at Bedford Drive and Dunnigan Street, subject to the Camarillo Police Department's review and concurrence of the proposed parking restriction locations. Staff verified with the Police Department that they support the proposed parking restrictions.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the installation of "No Parking" signs are included in the General Fund, Public Works, Traffic Signal Maintenance Account No. 101-3130-431.35-71.

### **CEQA DETERMINATIONS**

City staff has determined, in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, that installing "No Parking" signs is not subject to CEQA review because it can be seen with certainty that installing "No Parking" signs may not have a significant effect on the environment.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Find the "No Parking" signs exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines; and
2. Adopt a resolution establishing parking restrictions at Bedford Drive and Dunnigan Street.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Location Map
2. Existing Conditions
3. Proposed Conditions
4. Proposed No Parking
5. Resolution

### **REFERENCE MATERIALS – AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT CITY HALL**

None