



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Governance Committee Meeting

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Council Consideration Request from Councilmember Adriana Rocha Garcia (District 4) on a Designated Oversized Vehicle Parking Facility.

SUMMARY:

On April 4, 2024, Councilmember Adriana Rocha Garcia submitted a Council Consideration Request (CCR) on a Designated Oversized Vehicle Parking Facility. The CCR states staff should: 1) conduct more outreach opportunities from drivers and residents 2) analyze existing private spaces that allow oversized parking for rent or free of charge and 3) develop a plan to initiate a designated facility.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The CCR states that residents are dealing with oversized vehicles parking in their neighborhoods. The City of San Antonio increased the citation from \$35 to \$500 in 2018. The Public Safety Committee heard a proposal on March 29, 2024 to ban overnight parking, but residents in attendance stated concerns about outreach. Residents also express concern that a proposed ban would negatively affect drivers who rely on vehicles for work. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ranks Texas as number in highest employment of truck drivers. The BLS estimates the mean hourly and annual wage in Texas are \$26 and \$55,000, respectively.

The CCR states that the availability of overnight oversized parking is decreasing at large retail stores, where arrangements are not permanent. With no guarantee commercial spaces will remain available, truck drivers are left without a place to safely store their main source of income.

The CCR requests balancing the needs of neighborhoods while also protecting workers in an industry that provides decent salaries. The CCR states staff should: 1) conduct more outreach opportunities from drivers and residents 2) analyze existing private spaces that allow oversized parking for rent or free of charge and 3) develop a plan to initiate a designated facility.

ISSUE:

The CCR intends to engage with drivers and residents, evaluate currently available resources, and develop a plan to add a facility for oversized vehicle parking.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ALTERNATIVES:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends referring this item to the Public Safety Committee.