



## ORDINANCE REVIEW STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

City Hall – Council Chambers  
130 Cremona Drive  
Goleta, California  
Tuesday, January 23, 2024

**1:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.**

Councilmember James Kyriaco  
Councilmember Stuart Kasdin  
Robert Nisbet, City Manager  
Winnie Cai, Assistant City Attorney  
Deborah S. Lopez, City Clerk

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### **AGENDA**

- I. Public Comment
- II. Proposed Parking Enforcement and Consideration of Resolutions for Parking Restrictions on Pacific Oaks Road and Phelps Road (Valdez)
- III. Upcoming Issues

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2024

TO: Ordinance Standing Committee

FROM: Jaime A. Valdez, Neighborhood Services Director

SUBJECT: Proposed Parking Enforcement and Consideration of Resolutions for Parking Restrictions on Pacific Oaks Road and Phelps Road

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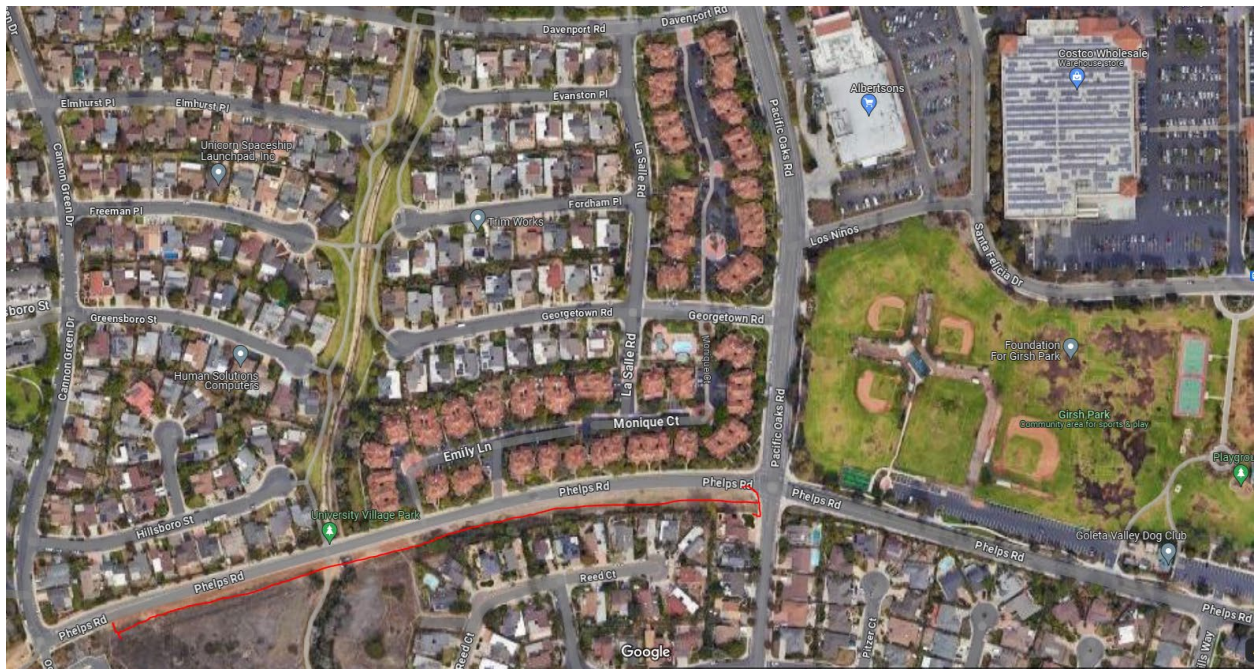
**Item II. Proposed Parking Enforcement on Phelps Road and Consideration of Resolutions for Parking Restrictions on Pacific Oaks Road and Phelps Road**

### ***Background***

Since August of 2023, the City has received over 30 requests for service and over one hundred emails regarding the parking of oversized vehicles on Pacific Oaks Road and Phelps Road. While residents are concerned about a growing trend of people sleeping in their vehicles at night, the biggest concerns were expressed about large recreational vehicles (“RVs”) parking in violation of current City ordinances. The complaints of residents have described that the RVs create nuisances to the community in the form of loud noise, significant trash production, exhaust from idling engines, blocking of views, public sex or nudity observed by nearby residents, and reduced parking availability for standard vehicles in a residentially zoned area.

On November 14, 2023, the Homelessness Issues Standing Committee held a public forum with over 30 people in attendance to hear from residents about their concerns and make recommendations to staff. The primary recommendation regarding RV parking was to bring back proposals to the Standing Ordinance Committee at a future date. It was determined at that meeting that because the matter relates to a parking issue rather than a homelessness issue, the Standing Ordinance Committee was the appropriate body to address the parking impacts discussed in that meeting.

The southern side of Phelps Road (“Phelps”) between Cannon Green Drive and Pacific Oaks Road is an unpaved area covered by mulch. Many vehicles park on this portion of Phelps for overflow residential use, recreational use at Girsh Park, and use of both UCSB and City of Goleta open space areas. A small number of residents regularly leave their RVs parked on these streets overnight. Many residents have submitted requests for service based on concern for nighttime safety, trash, public urination and defecation, noise, and privacy. An aerial of the area is provided below, and the red line shows where vehicles frequently park.



Pacific Oaks Road is also used for resident overflow parking, recreational use, and for parking by commercial vehicles. There has been an increasing number of RVs parked there, creating significant nuisances to adjacent residents. Like Phelps, residents complain of accumulation of trash, noise, public urination/defecation<sup>1</sup>, pollution from exhaust fumes, and reduction of views from the large RVs.

### Current Regulations and Enforcement

The City of Goleta has several ordinances that relate to RV parking but are inadequate to fully address the issue.

**10.01.290 Large Vehicle and Trailer Parking Restrictions** – This ordinance is currently being enforced. **Between September 24, 2023, and January 9, 2024, law enforcement reported twenty-four (24) citations for illegal large vehicle parking in areas with significant increases in RV usage.** This ordinance only applies on weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. When a vehicle has a disabled parking placard, they are currently exempted from compliance with this requirement by the municipal code. At all other times, RV parking is allowed. Parking enforcement reports that they are regularly citing RVs for violations, including parking for 72 hours or more.

**10.01.310 Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit** – This ordinance is primarily applied to people who want to park their RVs and campers on streets near their homes receive short-term permits to do so from Neighborhood Services. Currently, oversized vehicle owners apply for a no-fee three-day parking permit from Neighborhood Services allowing the parking of their vehicles during normally prohibited days and hours (Monday through Friday, 7:30am-4:00pm, excluding City recognized holidays). The purpose of authorizing the issuance of oversized vehicle parking permits is to allow owners of large vehicles

<sup>1</sup> Public urination and defecation is currently disallowed by GMC Section 12.01.140, and residents have been encouraged to report any occurrences to law enforcement.

additional time to park their large vehicles on a public street adjacent to their residences or businesses for the purpose of loading or unloading such large vehicles and to allow an out-of-town visitor to park on a street adjacent to the residence that the out-of-town visitor is visiting for a limited time period.

## **Proposed Remedies and Resolutions**

In a meeting between staff and the City Attorney that included the Public Works Director, Assistant Public Works Director and the Neighborhood Services Director, with consultation from the City's Homelessness Services Coordinator to ensure unhoused individuals' parking access in other areas of the City, the following remedies and next steps were discussed for consideration by the Ordinance Standing Committee.

- **No Ordinance Needed** – Parking impacts could be addressed by restriping existing parking spaces so that RVs are not able to park on these particular streets. Public Works staff also indicated the possibility of a lane widening project or installation of medians that would allow for only standard sized vehicles to park. Public Works can bring back some ideas for projects like this in spring of 2024. This would not require that the Ordinance Committee direct staff to bring back a new ordinance.
- **No Parking Any Time on Phelps Road** – Staff recommends that the portion of Phelps Road between Pacific Oaks Road and Cannon Green Drive reflect the nature of the rest of Phelps Road to the east with no parking any time on both sides of the street. Currently, there is no parking at any time on both sides of Phelps from east of Storke Road to Pacific Oaks Road. Given that the apparent historical intention was never to allow parking on Phelps, staff is recommending posting red curb, and “no parking any time”, signage where possible and appropriate. Public Works also indicated a plan to make attractive barriers to restrict parking such as placement of boulders and/or installation of wood fencing.
  - Given the nature of the area south of Phelps which includes Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas, city road right of way, and property owned by non-City entities, parking of any kind on this stretch of road is not appropriate.
- **Parking Restrictions on Pacific Oaks Road** – Staff drafted and the City Attorney revised and approved the two attached resolutions to restrict parking on Pacific Oaks Road. The first option would restrict all vehicles at certain times, and the second option would just restrict large vehicle parking in this particular stretch of roadway. Brief summaries of each resolution are provided on the ensuing page for convenience.

**1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING NO PARKING ZONES ON PACIFIC OAKS ROAD BETWEEN HOLLISTER AVENUE AND PHELPS ROAD AT PARTICULAR TIMES**

This resolution would establish a time-limited No Parking zone to the entirety of Pacific Oaks Road between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. This new policy would prohibit the parking of any vehicles during this time period.

**2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING NO PARKING ZONES ON PACIFIC OAKS ROAD BETWEEN HOLLISTER AVENUE AND PHELPS ROAD FOR LARGE VEHICLES**

This resolution would establish a No Parking zone for all of Pacific Oaks Road for all large vehicles as defined by Goleta Municipal Code 10.01.280 as any vehicle, as that word is defined in Section 670 of the California Vehicle Code (CVC), or a combination of connected vehicles and/or trailers, as defined in this section, that exceeds 25 feet in length or 80 inches in width or 82 inches in height, exclusive of such projecting lights or devices as are expressly allowed under the CVC. Large vehicle shall not mean or include pickup trucks or sport utility vehicles, which are less than 25 feet in length and 82 inches in height. For this resolution, the state authority comes from CVC 22507.

**Staff Recommendation**

Regarding Phelps Road between Pacific Oaks Road and Cannon Green Drive, staff recommends clarifying and implementing no parking any time on both sides of the street by posting red curb, and “no parking any time”, signage where possible and appropriate.

Given the many different uses of Pacific Oaks Road for parking, staff recommends option #2 above, limiting large vehicle parking. While this may result in RVs parking elsewhere in the City, this corridor is both residential and recreational and is inappropriate for overnight parking due to the reasons stated above, especially in the concentration and numbers currently seen. Council may consider stronger RV bans in particular areas of the City, but pursuing option #2 first allows the City to evaluate impacts generated by a limited response.

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-XX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING NO PARKING ZONES ON PACIFIC OAKS ROAD BETWEEN HOLLISTER AVENUE AND PHELPS ROAD AT PARTICULAR TIMES**

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have responded to the concerns of residents living along Pacific Oaks Road about the large number of vehicles parking overnight on both sides of this street; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have determined that overnight parking on Pacific Oaks Road is not compatible with the residential and recreational needs of this community; and

**WHEREAS**, overnight parking of vehicles has created nuisances to residents in the form of loud idling engines as well as creation of trash and debris; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have determined that a no parking zone along both sides of Pacific Oaks Road from the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. will improve safety and general welfare of the community by preventing noise impacts to adjacent residences and accumulation of hazardous or unsafe materials disposed from vehicles parked overnight in a residential area; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 21351 of the California Vehicle Code authorizes the City to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained, such appropriate signs, signals, or other traffic control devices as may be necessary to properly indicate and carry out the provisions of the Vehicle Code or local traffic ordinances, or to warn or guide traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10.01.120 A of the Goleta Municipal Code requires Council to act by resolution to designate a No Parking Zone; and

**WHEREAS**, City has restricted parking protocols for noticing and has complied with those protocols.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.**

All recitals above are true and correct and incorporated herein.

**SECTION 2.**

A time limited No Parking zone will be established on Pacific Oaks Road<sup>1</sup> between Hollister Avenue and Phelps Road between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.<sup>2</sup>. All exceptions stated in the California Vehicle Code, including, but not limited to, Section 22507, shall apply. This No Parking zone shall absolutely prohibit the parking of all vehicles, within the meaning of California Vehicle Code Section 22511.5(a)(3), between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. on Pacific Oaks Road.

**SECTION 3.**

The City Manager shall provide for the installation and maintenance of the appropriate signage and/or markings for this location identified above.

**SECTION 4.**

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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PAULA PEROTTE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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DEBORAH S. LOPEZ  
CITY CLERK

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MEGAN GARIBALDI  
CITY ATTORNEY

<sup>1</sup> Without the additional clarification the restriction would apply to the entirety of Pacific Oaks Road which runs from Hollister Avenue to Marymount Way.

<sup>2</sup> This is done under the authority of CVC 22507, but CVC 22507.5(a) specifies ability of locality to set these times between 2:00 am and 6:00 am. Staff would only want to use CVC 22507.5 if the intention is to regulate all vehicles, as here. For the oversize vehicle resolution, staff would be using the authority in CVC 22507 to regulate specific kinds of vehicles.



*Resolution 24-XX  
No Parking All Vehicles During Specific Hours on Pacific Oaks Rd  
Between Hollister Ave and Phelps Rd*

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA    )     ss.  
CITY OF GOLETA                 )

I, DEBORAH S. LOPEZ, City Clerk of the City of Goleta, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-\_\_ was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Goleta at a regular meeting held on the \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by the following vote of the Council:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DRAFT

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
DEBORAH S. LOPEZ  
CITY CLERK

## RESOLUTION NO. 24-XX

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING NO PARKING ZONES ON PACIFIC OAKS ROAD BETWEEN HOLLISTER AVENUE AND PHELPS ROAD FOR LARGE VEHICLES**

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have responded to the concerns of residents living along Pacific Oaks Road about the increasing number of large vehicles parking on both sides of this street; and

**WHEREAS**, large vehicles are defined by Goleta Municipal Code 10.01.280 as any vehicle, as that word is defined in Section 670 of the California Vehicle Code, or a combination of connected vehicles and/or trailers, as defined in this section, that exceeds 25 feet in length or 80 inches in width or 82 inches in height, exclusive of such projecting lights or devices as are expressly allowed under the California Vehicle Code. Large vehicle shall not mean or include pickup trucks or sport utility vehicles, which are less than 25 feet in length and 82 inches in height; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have determined that parked large vehicles interfere with and obstruct visual access to streets, traffic control signs and signals, other vehicles, pedestrians, bicycles and sidewalks, thereby substantially increasing the risk of collisions between vehicles, as well as collisions between vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians, at intersections, near driveways, and on all streets in the city, including curved roadway sections, narrow streets, busy streets, commercial districts, and neighborhood streets; and

**WHEREAS**, parked large vehicles decreases general welfare by obstructing visual access to scenic resources, including historic landmarks and natural resources, such as the coastal mountains, beaches, and Pacific Ocean; and

**WHEREAS**, parked or stopped large vehicles are frequently left with engines, refrigeration systems or generators running, thereby contributing to the deterioration of local air quality and quiet neighborhoods, creating nuisances for residents; and

**WHEREAS**, large vehicles require a significant amount of space to park and the City desires to allow as great a number of people to access Girsh Park as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Works staff and Neighborhood Services staff have determined that a no parking zone for large vehicles along both sides of Pacific Oaks Road for large vehicles in the interest of public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, in enacting this resolution, the City intends to reserve parking on Pacific Oaks Road for special types of vehicles, within the meaning of Section 22511.5(a)(3) of the California Vehicle Code, which special vehicles are any vehicle which is not a large vehicle as defined above; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 21351 of the California Vehicle Code authorizes the City to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained, such appropriate signs, signals, or other traffic control devices as may be necessary to properly indicate and carry out the provisions of the Vehicle Code or local traffic ordinances, or to warn or guide traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10.01.120 A of the Goleta Municipal Code requires Council to act by resolution to designate a No Parking Zone; and

**WHEREAS**, City has restricted parking protocols for noticing and has complied with those protocols.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.**

All recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

**SECTION 2.**

A No Parking zone will be established on Pacific Oaks Road for all large vehicles, as defined in the recitals above<sup>1</sup>.

**SECTION 3.**

The City Manager or their designee shall provide for the installation and maintenance of the appropriate signage and/or markings for this location identified above.

**SECTION 4.**

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

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<sup>1</sup> Staff could add "between the hours of 10:00 pm to 5:00 am" if there is a desire to first see impacts of restricting large vehicles at night.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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PAULA PEROTTE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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DEBORAH S. LOPEZ  
CITY CLERK

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MEGAN GARIBALDI  
CITY ATTORNEY

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*Resolution 24-XX  
No Parking Zone for Large Vehicles on Pacific Oaks Rd  
Between Hollister Ave and Phelps Rd*

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA    )     ss.  
CITY OF GOLETA                 )

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ABSENT:

DRAFT

(SEAL)

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DEBORAH S. LOPEZ  
CITY CLERK