

REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council
From the City Manager

April 27, 2009

SUBJECT

Temporary suspension of parking meter rates in downtown

RECOMMENDATION

Approve by motion the temporary suspension of parking meter rates in downtown on Saturday, May 2, 2009.

BACKGROUND

The City of Redwood City is partnering with the international Chinese language newspaper *Sing Tao Daily* to bring a street fair to Downtown on Saturday and Sunday, May 2 and 3, 2009. The Sing Tao Street Fair will include musical entertainment, Chinese performance groups, a children's play area, and up to 200 vendor booths. The estimated attendance is 10,000 people each day. Due to the street fair layout, some of the downtown on-street metered parking will be unavailable.

Redwood City's Downtown Events Team is requesting the suspension of parking meter rates on May 2, 2009 from 10:00 am through 6:00 pm on the following streets and City-owned parking lots: 1) all streets bounded by Veterans Boulevard, Brewster Avenue, El Camino Real, and Walnut Street, and 2) off-street parking lots: Perry Lot, Winslow Lot, Main Street Lot, City Hall lot, and Library Lots A and B.

City Council may temporarily suspend parking meter rates according to the City Municipal Code Section 20.133:

Sec. 20.133. PROVISIONS FOR TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF METER RATES:

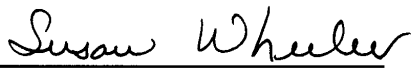
The provisions of this Division may be suspended from time to time by motion of the City Council in any case where the Council finds that strict compliance would not serve the public interest, including but not limited to the use of public streets and sidewalks for celebrations, special public events, celebration of holiday seasons and any other such activity or purpose as the City Council in its sole discretion shall determine. (Ord. No. 2287, § 2, 8-22-2005; Ord. No. 2329, § 1, 5-12-08)

ALTERNATIVES

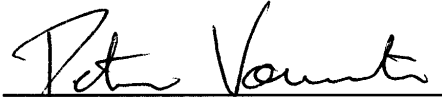
Council may choose to enforce parking meter rates in downtown on May 2, 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT

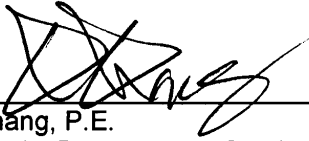
The City will not receive an estimated \$1,400.00 in revenue from the suspension of the parking meter rates on Saturday, May 2. There is no loss of revenue on May 3 as meters are not activated on Sundays.



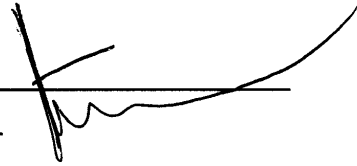
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ATTACHMENTS

None

RELATED DOCUMENTS IN CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

None