



Date: June 1, 2020

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From:  Craig A. Beck, Director of Public Works

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Street Sweeping Update**

To provide relief to individuals impacted by the Safer-at-Home Public Health Order, the City suspended issuing street sweeping citations from March 17, 2020 through May 15, 2020. Residents were advised to continue to move their vehicles during posted sweeping hours, but they would not be cited if they failed to do so. During this time, residents were also offered the opportunity to receive free parking permits so that they may park at various underutilized City lots. This provided additional parking options for residents to help remove vehicles from roadways for street sweepers to be more effective.

On April 21, 2020, the City Council directed staff to inform residents of the plan to begin issuing street sweeping tickets again on May 18, 2020. During the preceding weeks, staff created and distributed over 84,000 warning flyers. The flyers provided information about the neighborhood parking program, the City's plan to re-start sweeping parking restrictions enforcement, and was translated in alignment with the Language Access Policy.

On May 19, 2020, the City Council voted to provide a one-time dismissal, per person, of street sweeping citations for those dealing with COVID-19-related hardships. Citations issued to residents during the period of May 18 through May 29 are eligible for dismissal. Dismissal of citations only applies to street sweeping citations. City Council also suspended sending unpaid tickets to the DMV until the Safer-at-Home Order has been lifted. The City Council also requested that staff provide information on the number street sweeping citations issued compared to the average and the number of requests received for citation dismissals. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a response to that request.

- In May 2020, the average number of street sweeping citations issued was 7,361 per week compared to May 2019 when the average was 4,332 per week
- As June 1, 2020, 680 requests for citation dismissal have been received due to hardship caused by COVID-19

At the June 2, 2020 City Council meeting, staff will stand ready to answer any questions regarding this matter.

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