



MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND FACILITIES
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: April 19, 2016

FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works and Facilities
By: Stephanie Holloway, Senior Civil Engineer

SUBJECT: Transportation / Parking Ordinance / Brockway – North Lake Tahoe

ACTION REQUESTED

Conduct a Public Hearing and adopt an Urgency Ordinance (to take effect immediately) modifying parking restrictions on a portion of Speedboat Avenue, Harbor Avenue, Lake Street, and White Cap Lane, modifying enforcement responsibilities, and establishing increased penalties in specified areas. One way restrictions are not being recommended by staff as part of this process.

BACKGROUND

Speedboat Beach is located adjacent to a residential area. Patrons access the beach area via a series of narrow county roads. Vehicle and pedestrian beach traffic in the summer can cause congestion on these narrow roads, particularly Speedboat and Harbor Avenues which vary in width but are generally 17'- 18' wide. Off street parking along these roadways is discouraged due to water quality practices in the Tahoe Basin. Placer County enacted parking restrictions in 1994 on one or both sides of Dip Street, Lake Street, Speedboat Avenue, and Harbor Avenue, in an effort to make the roads passable especially during busy summer periods.

With the growing beach popularity and relatively low illegal parking violation fee, illegal parking has increased over time. County staff has both observed parking conditions and received feedback from the public on current parking patterns. The recommended minor modifications to the existing operation are anticipated to minimize roadway congestion and enhance public safety in the Brockway neighborhood.

Through community outreach, County staff has identified parking/roadway circulation improvements which represent publicly supported and highly viable options; achieving the goal of providing a safe and organized access to the Brockway area and Speedboat Beach by both residents and the public. Therefore, the Department of Public Work and Facilities recommends establishing a parking violation penalty of \$100 for the Brockway area, delineation of a loading/unloading area at the intersection of Lake Street and Harbor Avenue, and modification of parking restrictions on Speedboat Avenue, Harbor Avenue as well as establishment of parking restrictions on White Cap Lane.

Parking restrictions during snow removal periods (November 1st to May 1st) are currently in effect for this area. Due to the timing of the termination of this restriction and the beginning of summer visitor increases to Speedboat Beach, adoption of this urgency Ordinance (four-fifths vote) is recommended to allow Public Works staff adequate time to implement the recommended changes to the ordinance related to sign modification and pavement markings. Implementation would be anticipated to be complete by May 1st.

ENVIRONMENTAL

This action is exempt under CEQA guidelines per Categorical Exemption Class 1 (c), Number 18.36.030: Operation of Existing Streets and Highways. An Exemption Verification will be filed with the Placer County Planning Department.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost to place and maintain signs and curb markings is minimal and will be absorbed by the Road Fund. Funding is available in the Department's FY 2015 -16 Final Budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance with Exhibit A
Brockway Location Map

**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of: An Urgency Ordinance modifying Chapter 10 of the Placer County Code: Amending Section 10.12.120 - parking restrictions on a portion of Speedboat Avenue, Harbor Avenue, Lake Street, and White Cap Lane; Amending Section 10.12.140- enforcement responsibilities, and; Amending Section 10.12.200 – increasing civil penalties in specified areas.

Ordinance No.: _____

Introduced: _____

The following Ordinance was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY FINDS AND DECLARES THE FOLLOWING:

WHEREAS, Speedboat Avenue, Harbor Avenue and White Cap Lane are narrow, two-lane, rural County maintained roadways serving as access to residences, Speedboat Beach and Lake Tahoe, and;

WHEREAS, illegal parking along these roadways by visitors to Speedboat Beach has been observed, resulting in increased congestion and access problems for residents, fire, and safety personnel, and;

WHEREAS, Speedboat Beach has become a more desirable attraction for visitors to the Brockway area, thus increasing frequency, duration, and location of the parking problems, resulting in numerous complaints from neighboring property owners related to safety and congestion caused by illegal parking along Speedboat Avenue, Harbor Avenue, and White Cap Lane, and;

WHEREAS, the County has evaluated the public use of the roadway, and has determined that the roads lack adequate width in many areas for both two-way traffic and parking, and;

WHEREAS, the increased congestion, illegal parking, and loading/unloading of vehicles in unauthorized areas has created significant disruption to the safe and effective traffic circulation, and

WHEREAS, to provide for better control of traffic circulation, a modification to the existing parking restrictions in the area is needed to provide for safe and effective circulation, and;

WHEREAS, a modification to the penalty for illegal parking is necessary to provide an adequate deterrent to illegal parking, and;

WHEREAS, establishment of a loading and unloading area at the intersection of Speedboat Avenue and Harbor Avenue will provide for a designated area for beach user drop-off outside the travel lane, and is necessary to reduce the likelihood of illegal blocking of driveways and Lake Street from these activities, and;

WHEREAS, adoption of this Ordinance under urgency is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, as set forth in Government Code §25123(d), in order to provide for safe and effective traffic circulation, deter illegal parking via increased fines, and provide for a safe loading and unloading area for visitors to Speedboat Beach.

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 10, Vehicles and Traffic, Article 10.12, Parking, Part 4, Parking Restrictions on Various County Roads, Section 10.12.120 Limitations Imposed, of the Placer County Code is hereby amended as shown in Exhibit A attached.

Section 2. Chapter 10, Vehicles and Traffic, Article 10.12, Parking, Part 5, Citations, Section 10.12.140, Responsibility for Parking Enforcement, is hereby amended as follows:

10.12.140 Responsibility for parking enforcement.

A. DeWitt. It shall be the responsibility of the director of general services and his or her employees to enforce the restrictions of this part at DeWitt. Such Director and employees are empowered to arrest persons for violations of such parking restrictions, to issue parking citations under Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 41102, et seq., and to arrange for the towing away of illegally parked vehicles under Vehicle Code Section 22654.

B. County Roads Generally. It shall be the responsibility of the director of Public Works and Facilities and his/her designees ~~his employees~~ to enforce the restrictions of this part. Such director and employees designees are empowered to arrest persons for violations of such parking restrictions, to issue parking citations under Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 41102, et seq., and to arrange for the towing away of illegally parked vehicles under Vehicle Code Section 22654.

Section 3. Chapter 10, Vehicles and Traffic, Article 10.12, Parking, Part 7, Civil Penalties for Parking Violations, Section 10.12.200, Civil penalty provisions, is hereby amended as follows:

10.12.200 Civil penalty provisions

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, any person violating or failing to comply with the provisions of Sections 12.04.110, 10.12.020(B), 10.12.030(B), 10.12.070, 10.12.090, 10.12.100, 10.12.130, or 10.16.010 of this chapter shall be subject to civil penalties, fees, or charges and procedures as set forth in the resolution adopted by the board of supervisors pursuant to Section 10.12.190 of this article.

B. Brockway Area Civil Penalties.
Notwithstanding subsection A, above, any violation of section 10.12.120 on the following roadways shall be punishable by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00):

Dip Street, Harbor Avenue, Lake Street, Speedboat Avenue, and White Cap Lane.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage in accordance with Cal. Government Code Section 25123(d).

Section 5. The Clerk is directed to publish this ordinance within fifteen (15) days in accordance with Government Code Section 25124.

CHAPTER 10: VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

SEC. 10.12.120 LIMITATIONS IMPOSED

Pursuant to the provisions of the California Vehicle Code, the following parking restrictions are established:

<u>ROAD</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>RESTRICTION</u>	<u>ORDINANCE</u>
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Harbor Avenue (X7048)	On the east side of the road from Highway 28 to Lake Street	No parking anytime	4354
Harbor Avenue (X7049)	On the east side, from Lake Street to Highway 28 (PM 0.00 to 0.23)	No parking anytime, tow-away	4664
<u>Harbor Avenue (X7049)</u>	<u>From Lake Street to Highway 28, west side of road (PM 0.00 – PM 0.23, left side) and along two corners south of Wave Avenue on east side of road (PM 0.06 – PM 0.07 and PM 0.08 – PM 0.10, right side)</u>	<u>No Parking Any Time</u>	
<u>Harbor Avenue (X7049)</u>	<u>From Lake Street to 50 feet north of Lake Street, east side of road (PM 0.00 – PM 0.01, right side)</u>	<u>No Parking, Loading and Unloading</u>	
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Lake Street (X7048)	Both sides from end to end	No parking anytime	4354

Lake Street (X7048)	Both sides, end to end (PM 0.00 to 0.10)	No parking anytime, tow- away	4664
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<u>Lake Street</u> <u>(X7048)</u>	<u>Both sides, end to end (PM</u> <u>0.00 - 0.10)</u>	<u>No parking</u> <u>anytime, tow-</u> <u>away</u>	
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Speedboat Avenue (X7045)	From Dip Street (X7047) to Highway 28 (P.M. 0.09 to 0.26)	No Restrictions	4594
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Speedboat Avenue (X7045)	On west side, from Lake Street to Brockway Hotel Drive (X7044) (PM 0.00 to 0.17)	No parking anytime, tow- away	4664
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<u>Speedboat</u> <u>Avenue</u> <u>(X7045)</u>	<u>From Dip Street to Highway</u> <u>28, west side of road (PM 0.10</u> <u>- PM 0.26, left side)</u>	<u>No Parking</u> <u>Any Time,</u> <u>Tow-Away</u>	
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<u>Speedboat</u> <u>Avenue</u> <u>(X7045)</u>	<u>From Lake Street to Dip</u> <u>Street, east side of road (PM</u> <u>0.00 - PM 0.10, right side)</u>	<u>No Parking</u> <u>Any Time,</u> <u>Tow-Away</u>	
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<u>White Cap</u> <u>Lane (x7050)</u>	<u>End to end, north side of road</u> <u>(PM 0.00 - PM 0.09, left side)</u>	<u>No Parking</u> <u>Any Time,</u> <u>Tow-Away</u>	
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Brockway Location Map



