

Christine Mealey resident: 1545 South Ridgeley Drive, Los Angeles CA 90019 910-512-0956

Dear Sir or Ms.,

The parking on South Ridgeley Drive is very difficult. To illustrate: I can honestly say that I have enjoyed parking under the tree in front of my house less than 10 times in the 6 years I have resided here.

Residents can only park for one hour according to the signs on our own street...but that is only if we can get a spot. The nice people at the auto repair businesses on the corner of Venice and S. Ridgeley generally occupy the street and cowboy the cars around to avoid tickets. I like them very much as people, but feel my taxes are misused paying for a parking lot for businesses while I have to take extra time out of every day to get what other residents in the City of LA take for granted.

Some residents who rent on the street do not get parking in their leases. I was in that situation two years ago. I regularly parked on the other side of Hauser, about 3 blocks away, carried bags of heavy groceries from there or walked home in the dark alone.

Now as a homeowner and landlord, I must constantly negotiate my parking to take care of my tenant so she does not have to do the same. Although my residence has a driveway, it necessitates parking tandem, as do most on our street.

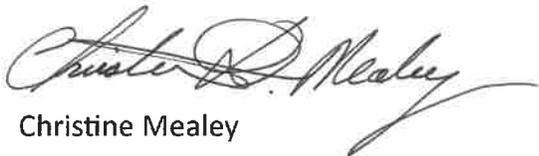
I have heard various theories as to why we have 1 hour parking, but still don't really know why we have been seemingly singled out and punished.

A fair solution might be to have permits- maybe two for each residence with two guest passes. That should give everyone plenty of room.

I hope that this meeting will result in finally giving the residents of South Ridgeley Drive the same rights as other resident tax payers in the City of Los Angeles.

Thank you so much for hearing me.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Mealey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Christine Mealey

October 1, 2024

RE: Parking permits in neighborhood of 1565 S. Ridgeley drive LA, CA 90019

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to verbalize my frustrations with the lack of parking in our neighborhood. For as long as we have lived here (39 years), we have had issues with access to parking on the street due to the 2 auto body shops in our neighborhood. However, in the last couple of years it has gotten significantly worse. They will illegally park their cars in the red paved areas and keep their parked cars in the same spot until the next street cleaning date or until parking enforcement arrives and they just switch the car with a different car. The cars are constantly rotated and parking spots indefinitely occupied.

The auto body shops complete disregard to traffic rules and parking signs were evident during our home remodel. We have been doing construction on our house and paid for temporary no parking signs (from 6 am- 6 pm) to allow our construction/trash bins to be parked there during our remodel. However, these signs were completely disregarded. Many times we had to ask them to move their cars to allow for the construction bins to be parked on the street in front of our house where we paid to have it empty from 6am-6pm. Despite the signs, these restrictions were not respected and they knowingly parked their cars in the no parking area.

Furthermore, we are currently moving back to our house and need close access to our front door due to my disabled parents. We need to be able to park in front of our house and use the stair case in front of our house to get my parents in and out of the house. With the lack of parking, this will pose as a constant issue. Currently, my dad is not medically stable enough to walk far distances due to his frequent episodes of hypotension and resulting syncope. This in turn requires that he needs assistance in getting to and from the car. Without having access to parking in front of our house, I would have to double park my car and assist my dad into the car while potentially causing traffic delays and inconveniences. This shouldn't be expected of us due to the lack of parking accessibility in our neighborhood.

Lastly, most of the houses, townhouses and apartments in this neighborhood are multi-family households meaning we have 2-3 or maybe even more cars per household. Imagine how many parking spots just for the residents are necessary to accommodate all of our cars. Now when you add all of the cars from both of the auto body shops, this is just not feasible. Typically once a car from one of the auto body shops is parked it usually is parked and not moved until street cleaning. A car will remain parked in the same spot for at least a week. I remember before that all of the neighbors and I would have to sit in our cars and wait until street cleaning was done and immediately move our cars to a spot near our residence. This is an inconvenience and

definitely not realistic for most of us. We shouldn't have to coordinate how we are going to be able to get a parking spot outside of our house.

My family and I are strongly requesting to get this neighborhood permitted to allow for us and our families to be able to park comfortably in front of our own house without having to compete for parking spots for cars that are just waiting to be repaired and routinely stay in the same parking spot for at least a week before it is moved again. For my family specifically, we need to be able to have access to parking in front of our house for my disabled parents. We shouldn't be expected to have to strategize in finding a parking spot, double park to assist them into and out of the car, or walk from the only available parking spot blocks away from the house. Having the one hour parking areas is not sufficient in assuring residents get parking spots because the auto body shop will just strategically rotate cars and the parking spots are forever occupied. Having parking permits would definitely alleviate all of the stressors relating to having access to parking in front of our houses or at least in our immediate neighborhood. Please help us and approve parking permits in our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Marissa Basilio

Homeowner at 1565 S. Ridgeley Drive LA, CA 90019

October 1, 2024

To Whom it May Concern:

My family and I recently moved to 1572 S. Ridgeley Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90019. Since we have been here, the parking situation has gotten so bad, we cannot hire a nanny because she won't have a place to park. The cars parked in front of our house are dusty, broken, and unsightly. They are also occupying space, when they are inoperable or condemned. This has caused us to rethink our decision to move here. We would like something to be done so that we can park on the street as needed and can occasionally have guests that don't have to spin the block for an hour looking for parking. No business should be able to take all available spaces on a residential street.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

The Barnett Family

Phillip and Amber Barnett, M.Ed.

and our 3 little girls

Parker, Emerson and Logan.

October 1, 2024

Parking in the 1500 block
of South Ridgeley is very
congested because of non
residents taking up parking
spaces.

Visitors and family members
of the residents have no
place to park.

Please address this situation.
Thank you for your consideration.

The Freeman Family

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the parking situation on Pickford Street, as I am unable to attend in person today. I have owned my triplex on Pickford for many years, and the ongoing parking challenges have caused me to lose tenants and struggle to find new ones.

Currently, Pickford Street has no parking restrictions except on street cleaning days, while Ridgeley is limited to one-hour parking, which is rarely enforced. Unfortunately, the auto shops at the corner of Ridgeley and Venice occupy most of the parking spaces on both Pickford and Ridgeley. As a result, my tenants and I often find ourselves unable to park, forcing us to drive to other streets in search of available spaces. This is particularly challenging for myself and my tenants, who are older and find it difficult to navigate these issues.

The auto shops routinely leave their cars parked all day, only moving them for street cleaning, and promptly returning them afterward.

We are requesting the implementation of residential parking permits so that homeowners and our tenants can park without the stress of searching for spaces or worrying about receiving tickets.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John Roach

5415 Pickford St.

Los Angeles, CA 90019

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Roach', is written over the typed name.

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my concerns about the parking situation on Ridgeley Drive, which has become increasingly problematic. The auto repair shop on the corner occupies nearly all available spaces with vehicles they are working on or will be working on, as they do not fit within their shop. As a result, residents and their visitors struggle to find parking, leading to frustration and stress.

We are requesting the implementation of residential permit parking and consistent enforcement of parking regulations.

Thanks,
Epigmenio Navar
1556 S Ridgeley Dr.
Los Angeles, CA 90019

To whom it may concern,

Ridgeley Dr currently has a 1 hr parking limit, enforced on average once per week. The current rule penalizes residents who are not home to move their car when enforcement arrives.

The garage in the street has an advantage because they always have employees present to spot enforcement. The result is that the garage utilizes the majority of parking places and receives fewer parking tickets than residents.

The 1 hr rule favors the garage unless it is enforced all day every day, which would cause them so much work to move cars, they would find another place to park. The cars they park often don't have valid registration plates, are broken and an eyesore. Often they perform tow truck operations and maintenance outside our houses.

We have also seen a proliferation of disabled badge use by the garage and others as a way to circumvent the 1 hr rule.

I am in favor of changing the parking rules in Ridgeley Dr to make it harder for a garage to park all of their vehicles and to make parking available for residents and our visitors. Either via parking permits or other rules available to the city.

Thank you!
Kim Turley
1548 S Ridgeley Dr



September 30, 2024

To Whom it may concern,

I'm inquiring about the availability of street parking in front of my property on Pickford St and S Ridgeley Drive. I have noticed that some cars have not been moved for several days, and I would appreciate any assistance regarding this matter.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Norma Plasmcia

5404-5406 Pickford St

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been a resident of Ridgeley for many years, and I have noticed a significant decline in street parking availability over the last five years. As an older couple, my husband and I often have our children and grandchildren visit to help care for us. Unfortunately, they struggle to find parking due to the numerous vehicles belonging to local auto shops that occupy our street.

Many of these vehicles remain parked in the same spots for days or even weeks, and I've observed that many have expired registrations. Some cars don't even run and require several people to push them to different locations. While our street is designated for one-hour parking, this rule is rarely enforced. I frequently watch as parking enforcement fails to mark the vehicles, and when they do arrive, the auto shop employees quickly shift cars from one spot to another to evade penalties.

When my family is fortunate enough to find parking, they live in fear of receiving citations if enforcement decides to check. As residents, we are advocating for permit parking to ensure we can park on our own street and accommodate our visitors without the constant worry of tickets or the need to search elsewhere for parking.

We believe that implementing permit parking and stricter enforcement of the one-hour limit will significantly alleviate the parking issues caused by the auto shops. Additionally, I have witnessed instances where auto shop vehicles improperly display handicapped placards, allowing them to occupy spaces all day without consequence.

Thank you for considering our request for permit parking and more consistent enforcement to restore balance to our community's parking situation.

Sincerely,

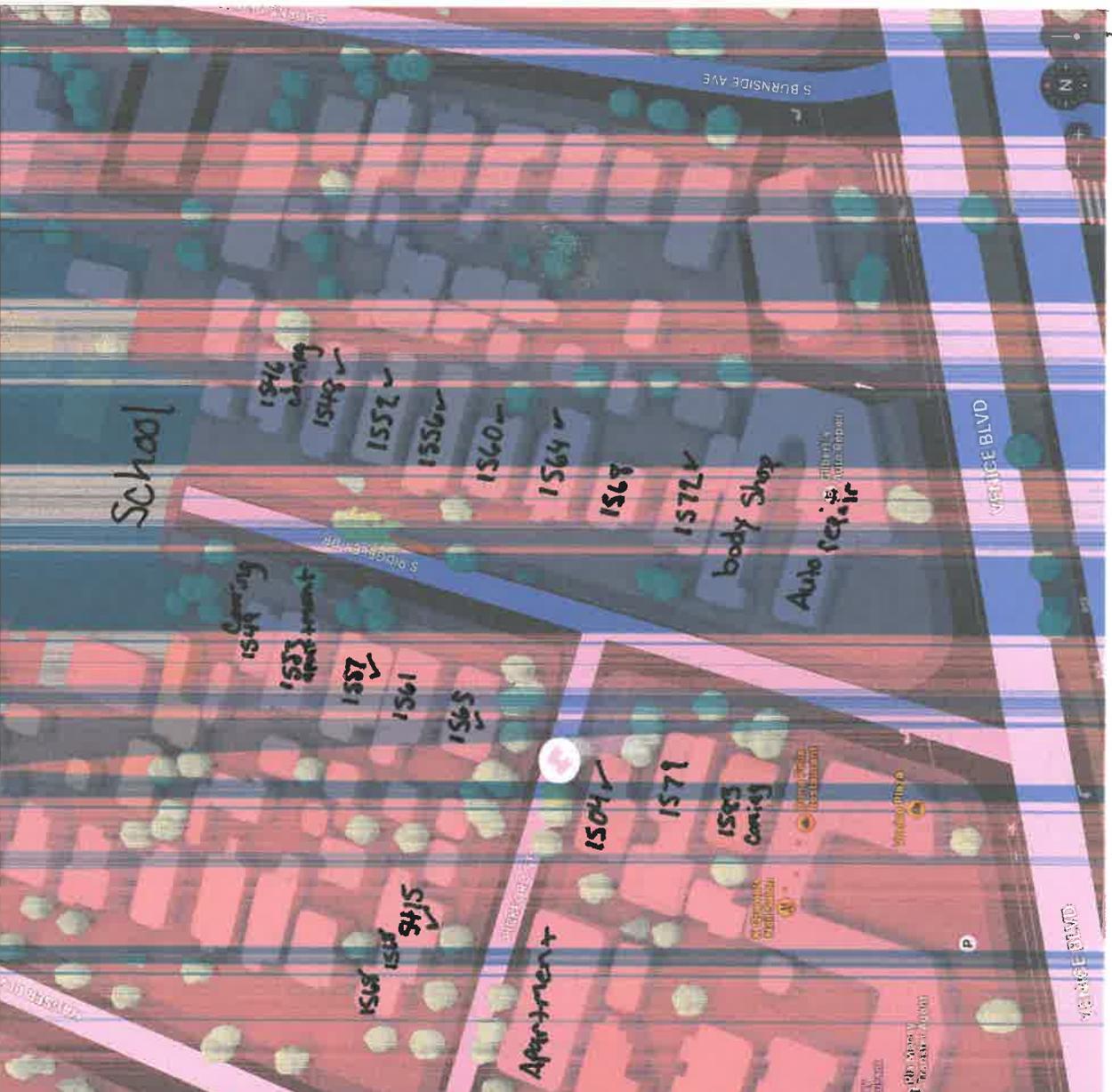
Pamela Horie & Nathaniel Smith

*1560 S. Ridgeley Dr
L.A CA 90009*

To City Hall,

Writing to add my concerns over the 1 hour parking situation on Ridgely, Pickford. I live at 1544 S. Ridgely. There is an auto body shop on the corner of Ridgely + Venice that uses our street as a parking lot for their business. There is no enforcement of this so the business easily moves cars to avoid enforcement. Please consider a parking permit program to help solve this issue and return the street to the neighborhood.

- Devin Kingdom
1544 S. Ridgely Dr.
Los Angeles CA 90010



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10-1-2024

We are Home Owners at
1557 So. Ridgeley Dr.

Los Angeles, CA 90019

We are fed up with parking
of The Body Shop and Mechanic
Shop (A+B) at 5363 Venice Blvd,
Los Angeles, CA

NO Respect for 1hr. Parking Signs
They have no regards for the
families on the street. ~~they~~ We
can't even find a park, because
they park all day and sometime
over night. They are Improper
Using the Street for their
business. They block the street.

Parking Enforcement has been
Contacted. also The Field Deputy
of District #10 (Mira) 323-276-4921.

We need Help!!

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