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Policy & Procedure

PARKING T MARKERS

1. PURPOSE

A Parking T Marker is a pavement marking in the shape of a “T” used to delineate individual parking spaces, ensuring vehicles are parked in an orderly and efficient manner (illustration included as Attachment A). This maximizes parking efficiency and reduces parking disputes.

La Mesa Municipal Code Section 12.44.080, Parking Space Markings, authorizes the Director of Public Works to install and maintain parking space markings to indicate parking spaces on streets where parking is permitted. This policy outlines the guidelines for requesting, evaluating, and implementing Parking T Markings.

2. POLICY

The City may designate public street parking spaces by utilizing Parking T Markings. These markings may be placed in areas experiencing inefficient use of available parking, parking congestion, or other situations as determined by the Director of Public Works. Residential neighborhoods may request Parking T Markings using the process outlined in this policy.

The Director of Public Works has the discretion to install Parking T Markings to manage parking efficiency without going through this process. Common installations include areas near parks, public facilities, community-use spaces, or business districts.

3. DEFINITIONS:

- **Petition:** A written request must be signed by property owners, as defined in this policy, for each parcel that borders the proposed Parking T Marking Area. A minimum of 66% support is required for requests to proceed.
- **Property Owner:** The individual, entity, or organization holding legal title to a parcel of land or real estate and the first of such to sign a qualifying petition. For the purposes of this policy, only one property owner per parcel is permitted to sign the qualifying petition, regardless of the number of owners associated with the property.
- **Residential Area:** Residential zones or parcels containing legally residential units, including single-family homes, multi-family dwellings or other types of housing. These areas shall share a boundary with the proposed Parking T Marking Area.

4. PROCESS:

4.1 Initial Request for Parking T Markings:

Requests shall be submitted using the Parking T Marking Application, which shall include the proposed street or area and an explanation of the parking concerns (e.g., insufficient parking). A qualifying petition signed by property owners representing at least 66% of the residential area is required to proceed.

4.2 Field Data Gathering

Within 30 days of receiving a qualifying petition, the Director of Public Works will conduct an initial assessment to determine whether the proposed Parking T Markings can be successfully installed and function as intended. This assessment will consider various factors, including the physical characteristics of the area.

If the petition is determined to be in an area suitable for the installation of Parking T Markings, the Director of Public Works will proceed with a detailed field study, which may include:

- ❖ Measurement of street width and curb length to ensure there is sufficient space for the installation and that it will not obstruct traffic.
- ❖ Identification of driveways, crosswalks, and other obstacles that may require clearance to ensure the markings do not interfere with vehicle access or pedestrian safety.
- ❖ Assessment of visibility and line of sight near intersections, driveways, and other critical areas to ensure the markings do not create hazards or obstruct sightlines for drivers and pedestrians.

4.3 Street Marking Determination

If the field data supports the installation of Parking T Markings, the Director of Public Works will determine the appropriate street marking placements based on the collected data.

4.4 Public Notice

Once the proposed Parking T Marking placements have been determined, a public notice will be issued to initiate a 15-day public comment period. The notice will include details about the proposed installation, including locations of the markings, and provide an opportunity for public input to finalize the plan.

4.5. Implementation

Following the Public Notice period, Parking T Markings will be installed within 60 days, pending any unforeseen delays or operational constraints.

5. MONITORING AND REVIEW

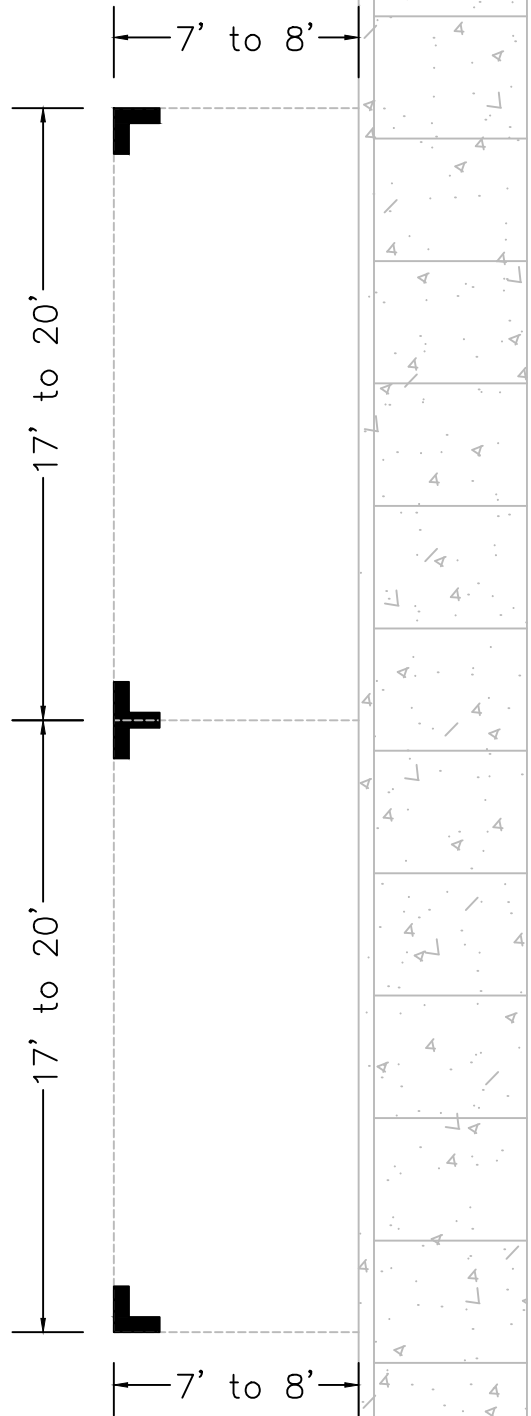
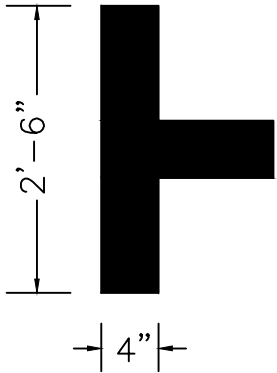
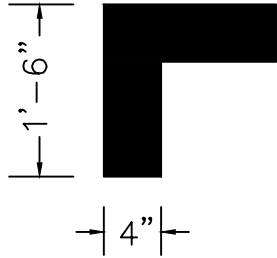
- The Director of Public Works will monitor the effectiveness of the new markings over a 6-month period. Adjustments may be made based on property owner feedback and further evaluations.
- After the initial 6-month review, the Director of Public Works may periodically evaluate the effectiveness of Parking T Markings to ensure they continue to maximize parking.
- If the markings are found to be ineffective or unnecessary due to changing conditions, they may be removed according to the Dissolution process.

6. DISSOLUTION

Requests for the removal of Parking T Markings can be initiated by property owners or by the Director of Public Works if parking conditions change. A property owner's request must follow the same process outlined in Section 4.1, Initial Request for Parking T Markings, to begin the review process for removing markings.

7. ATTACHMENTS

- A. La Mesa Standard Drawing (LMSD) T-8 Parking T's
- B. Parking T Marking Application
- C. Parking T Marking Petition



NOTES:

1. PARKING STALL WIDTH SHALL BE 7 TO 8 FEET MEASURED FROM FACE OF CURB TO BACK OF T-STRIPING MARKINGS.
2. PARKING STALL LENGTH SHALL BE 17 TO 20 FEET MEASURED FROM BACK OF T-STRIPING TO CENTERLINE OF MIDDLE T-STRIPING OR BACK OF ADJOINING T-STRIPING.
3. STRIPING SHALL BE 4" WIDE REFLECTIVE WHITE PAINT PER GREENBOOK (CURRENT EDITION).

LEGEND ON PLANS



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CITY OF LA MESA - STANDARD DRAWING
JEWEL of the HILLS

PARKING T'S
 PARALLEL PARKING

 City Engineer Date
 DRAWING NUMBER **LMSD T-8**



PARKING T MARKING APPLICATION

Applicants: This form must be filled out in full, signed, and include a completed Parking T Marking Petition form. The City shall attempt to evaluate the application within 60 days of when the application is deemed complete. Completed applications and petitions are to be submitted via email at traffic@cityoflamesa.us or via U.S. mail at City of La Mesa Public Works Department, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942. For questions, please call Public Works at 619.667.1666 or email traffic@cityoflamesa.us.

1. Applicant Information:

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

2. Request Details:

Parking T Markings Request:

Location/Street(s) for Parking T Markers:

Reason for Request:

Number of Property Owners Supporting the Request:

Total Number of Residences in the Residential Area: _____

Number of Signatures Collected: _____

Percentage of Support: _____%

3. Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information or details relevant to your request:

4. Petition Form

A completed petition form must be attached to this completed application. A minimum 66% of property owners in the residential area must sign the petition requesting Parking T Markings to proceed. The completed petition must include names, addresses, and signatures of property owners supporting the request.

5. Applicant Signature:

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and that the attached petition meets the requirements for the requested program.

Applicant Signature:

Date:

PARKING T MARKING PETITION

Signatures are required from at least 66% of Property Owners in the Residential Area. Completed applications and petitions are to be submitted via email at traffic@cityoflamesa.us or via U.S. mail to City of La Mesa Public Works Department, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942.

1. Neighborhood Contact Information:

Name:

Address:

Phone Number: Email Address:

2. This petition is to request Parking T markings on
(Street Name)

between and
(Street Name) (Street Name)

3. Property Owner Information

	Date	Name	Address	Signature
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____



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