

## Legislation Text

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**SUBJECT:**

Approval of the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 126-346 (f) of the City of New Braunfels Code of Ordinances to restrict parking on a portion of Unicorn Avenue.

**BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:**

**Council District:** 6

Staff received a request from multiple property owners along the 600-700 blocks of West Merriweather Street, the 600 block of Southeast Terrace, Tower Line, and the 1000-1300 blocks of Unicorn Avenue to create a new parking by permit area. The primary reason for the request is due to on-street parking from CBE Companies employees in the neighborhood.

At their meeting on January 10, 2019, the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board discussed and recommended that the proposed time for the parking by permit area be revised to daily, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., instead of the year-round time that was requested. Representatives from the neighborhood agreed that this change would address the existing parking concerns.

Discussion between City Council, residents, and staff at the February 11, 2019 City Council meeting led to revisions to the proposed parking by permit area location to only include the residential properties along Unicorn Avenue in the proposed parking by permit area. The portion of the west side of Unicorn Avenue along commercial property is proposed to be a no parking, tow-away zone.

Notices of the public hearing were mailed to all property owners (as shown on the latest tax roll) and residents who signed the petition within a 300 foot radius of the requested permit area prior to the March 11 meeting.

**ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:**

Strategy 1: Support Vibrant Centers; Action 1.2: Create plans for neighborhoods and transitional areas to maintain quality of life.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Traffic control signs cost approximately \$150 each. Sufficient funding is available in the FY18-19 approved Public Works budget.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the creation of a no parking, tow-away zone on the west side of Unicorn Avenue from the intersection with South Business 35 south for a distance of 760 feet.