



Planning and Building Department
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Date received: _____
Date approved: _____

DRIVEWAY EXPANSION PROGRAM

Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Property Owner Name(s): _____

Property Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

PROPERTY SIZE CATEGORY (WIDTH ONLY):

- Property is less than 40 ft. wide
(Maximum driveway width - 18 feet)
- Property is 41 ft. to 60 ft. wide
(Maximum driveway width – 22 feet)

MY PROPERTY SHARES AN CONNECTED DRIVEWAY:

- Yes
- No

If yes, please include planned landscape areas in your proposed design for program qualification purposes.

PROPOSAL RENDERING FORMAT:

- Aerial Photo*
- Property Sketch with Measurements

CURRENT DRIVEWAY WIDTH: _____ feet (ft)

PROPOSED MATERIAL: _____

TREE REMOVAL REQUIRED:

- Yes
- No

If yes, it may be subject to replacement of tree in an alternate location.

***Precise measurements are required. Proposed expansion must demonstrate well-balanced proportion between parking and green space. Driveways proposed to exceed the established maximum width will not be considered.**

_____ I hereby acknowledge that work is not permitted to begin until formal application
Initial approval has been granted by the City's Planning and Building Department.

_____ I hereby acknowledge that this grant opportunity is being offered on a reimbursable
Initial basis. This will require that all project costs be paid in advance by the approved program applicant. I understand that I will be required to submit invoices related to eligible project costs prior to being issued a reimbursement from the City. (Please allow up to 20 days for reimbursement)

By signing below, I/we hereby attest to being the property owner(s) of the aforementioned property and agree to comply with any City requirement needed to establish such proof of ownership. Further, I/we agree to adhere all program guidelines and specifications, as established by the City of Paramount. I/we understand that submission of this application does not guarantee selection for participation in the program.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Program applications can be submitted via email at askplanning@paramountcity.gov, or in-person at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Street, Paramount, CA 90723. For application questions, please call (562) 220-2036 or email askplanning@paramountcity.gov.

DRIVEWAY EXPANSION PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Guidelines for the Driveway Expansion Program balance between the need for additional parking areas in residential neighborhoods and maintaining landscaped front yards (supporting goals for sustainability, water capture, aesthetics, and property values).

Funding

As an incentive to add more off-street parking, the Driveway Expansion Program reimburses homeowners a maximum of **\$3,000** upon completion of an approved driveway widening project. *Funding is subject to availability.*

Guidelines

- **Zoning.** A property must be zoned R-1 (Single-Family Residential) or R-2 (Medium Density Residential) on the official Paramount Zoning Map.
- **Driveway width.**
 - Properties with a street length or frontage of **40 feet or less** *may* allow for a driveway of up to **18 feet**.
 - Properties with a street length or frontage of **41 feet or more** *may* allow for a driveway of up to **22 feet**.
- **Property Sides.** Expanded driveways generally must maintain at least five feet on the sides of the property for landscaped planters. As an exception, driveways on properties with less than 40 feet do not have to maintain this setback.
- **Adjacent Driveways.** Adjacent properties shall not have connecting driveways. They must be broken up by landscape planters, a 42-inch front fence, or a different element at the discretion of the Planning and Building Director or designee clearly delineating separate properties.
- **Application.**
 - A complete application as provided by the Planning and Building Department must be submitted.
 - The application must be signed by all owners of a property.
 - The application must include a diagram or aerial photo with clearly identified measurements of the existing driveway and the proposed expansion.
 - **Driveway Aprons.** The primary driveway expansion involves the driveway on the private property. Expansion of driveway approaches, defined as driveway entries (or "driveway aprons") located within the public right-of-way, may be included in the program as an option as funding is feasible.

DRIVEWAY EXPANSION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Landscape Requirements. The Planning and Building Director or designee may require replacement landscaping such as a tree to be planted to mitigate the loss of existing landscaped areas.
- Minimum Area. A minimum area of 100 square feet of concrete surface is required for application approval and reimbursement.
- Consistency and Materials. An expanded driveway area shall match the existing driveway material for a consistent appearance. Asphalt and decomposed granite are not reimbursable materials.
- Authorization. In order for reimbursement to occur, all work must begin after authorization by the Planning and Building Department through an approved application.
- Final Inspection. Planning and Building Department staff will inspect completed work to ensure all requirements are met before reimbursement is authorized.
- Work Quality. All work must be completed in a professional manner, and the property must be in “broom clean” condition.
- Zoning Requirements. All other R-1 (Single-Family Residential) and R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zone requirements are applicable.