

6-29-07 - This day's Council session - Motion - Perry Mover 2007 / Garcetti - The Nisei Week Foundation is sponsoring the 67th Annual Festival during the week of August 18-26, 2007 in Little Tokyo. This oldest ethnic celebration in the country is a major event for the Japanese American community, and draws a large crowd from all over the City. The event will include a Nisei Week Grand Parade, Ondo Street Dancing, Street Arts Festival, Taiko Gathering, Car Show, and the 12th Annual Tofu Festival, and many art and cultural exhibits and demonstrations. Nisei Week, a non-profit corporation made up of volunteers from the community, is requesting City assistance in closing selected streets in the Little Tokyo area, providing traffic control, cleaning the streets, and using City parking lots during the Festival. Approval of this request will mean that an estimated \$4,700 in fees and salary costs will be absorbed by the City. (Contact: Commander Terry Hara: 213/687-7193 fax 213/687-6510).

THEREFORE MOVE that the 2007 Nisei Week celebration, sponsored by the Nisei Week Japanese Festival, be declared a Special Event, and the involved City departments (and any unforeseen City agencies that may be involved) be requested to waive all fees, costs, and requirements, except insurance.

FURTHER MOVE that pursuant to Ordinance No. 150567 relating to temporary street closures, the following be made, subject to the supervision of the Director of the Bureau of Street Services:

Friday, August 17, 2007, 9:00 a.m. to Monday, August 20, 2007 12:30 p.m., for the Tofu Festival:

- San Pedro Street between First and Third Streets

Saturday, August 18, 2007, between 6:00 a.m. to Monday, August 20, 2007, 12:30 p.m., for the Tofu Festival:

- * Second Street between Los Angeles Street and Central Avenue
- * Astronaut Ellison Onizuka Street between First and Second Streets

Sunday, August 19, 2007, 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the Nisei Week Grand Parade:

- * Astronaut Ellison Onizuka Street between First and Second Streets
- * First Street between Alameda and Los Angeles Streets
- * Los Angeles Street between First and Second Streets
- * Second Street between Alameda and Los Angeles Streets
- * Central Avenue between First and Fourth Streets
- * Third Street between Alameda and San Pedro Streets
- * San Pedro Street between Second and Third Streets

Friday, August 24, 2007 9:00 a.m. to Monday, August 27, 2007, 2:30 p.m., for the Street Arts Festival:

- * San Pedro Street, between Second and Third Streets.

Sunday, August 26, 2007, 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., for Obon Street Dancing and Closing Ceremony:

- First Street, between Alameda and San Pedro Streets.

FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Services be directed to: (1) sweep the affected streets after the Tofu Festival, Parade, Street Arts, and Obon Street Dancing; (2) provide push brooms, trash cans and liner; and (3) furnish the

necessary traffic control devices barricades, cones, and flashers for the street closures. Traffic control devices will be provided with the understanding that Nisei Week will pick-up and return them to the Bureau of Street Services.

FURTHER MOVE that the Police Commission be requested to issue a no-fee Special Event Permit Application for the Nisei Week Grand Parade, Car Show, and Street Arts Festival.

FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation be directed to post "Temporary No Parking" signs with appropriate times and date designations on the affected streets and provide traffic control personnel and traffic cones, as required, and assist in closing the streets for the various events.

FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation allow its Parking Lots A, B, C, Mangrove Lot A1753 (located at 414 E Temple Street) be used for the Car Show from Friday, August 17, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to Saturday, August 18, 2007 at 10:00 p.m.; and allow its Cathedral Place Lot D1755 (located at 237 S Los Angeles Street) be used all day for the Tofu Festival, on Saturday and Sunday, August 18 and 19, 2007.

FURTHER MOVE that Department of General Services allow the employee parking Lot No. 7 located on Judge John Aiso Street, south of Temple Street be used by Nisei Week Festival participants, all day, Saturday and Sunday, August 18 and 19, 2007, and again on Saturday and Sunday, August 25 and 26, 2007; and allow the City Hall East parking P-3 and P-4 be used all day on Saturday and Sunday, August 18 and 19, 2007 and again Saturday and Sunday, August 25 and 26, 2007.

6-29-07 - File to Council and Legislative Processing Clerk for placement on next available Council agenda

7-6-07 - Council Action - Motion ADOPTED

7-13-07 - File in files

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