Facts: Preferential Parking Districts

LMU is working with members of the Westchester community and the city to find solutions to the issue of LMU students, staff and faculty parking in the neighborhood. A possible solution is creating a preferential parking district that would effectively limit non-resident parking in the community by LMU students, faculty and staff while allowing local residents and their guests to park without restriction.



These districts are intended to provide crucial parking relief for residents and their guests, including service workers. Parking restrictions would limit the days and hours when people could park in the neighborhood. Local residents and their guests with permits would be exempted from those restrictions.



If requested by the community, a vote of the Los Angeles City Council would establish the boundaries of the district. Following the Council vote, signs restricting parking can go up with approval from 2/3 of the homes on each block. The entire process can be a matter of weeks, not years.



Neighbors can choose the hours and restrictions that best solve the unique parking challenges in an area. Districts can include limits on duration of parking (e.g. two hours) as well as days and/or times (e.g., 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday) of parking.



LMU has committed to providing the community with the resources necessary to implement a preferential parking district, if that is what the community wants. LMU will pay for three resident permits per home for as long as the district is in place. The University will also work with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, the Council office and neighbors to help make sure that every step in the process of creating a preferential parking district is completed quickly and is as easy as possible for the community.

