



# City of Needles, California Request for City Council Action

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**Meeting Date:** April 14, 2026

**Title:** Consider Parking Modifications on F Street and Front Street, Including 2-Hour Parking and No Parking Designations

**Background:** At the request of Mayor Jernigan, this item is being brought forward for City Council consideration regarding parking conditions along F Street and Front Street, adjacent to Set Free Thrift Store and St. Vincent de Paul.

This area continues to experience parking and loading challenges, as both businesses rely on access along Front Street, including use of the existing loading zone. Current conditions have resulted in congestion, limited turnover, and inconsistent parking patterns.

Historically, the City has evaluated parking configurations in this area, including angled parking. Prior analysis determined that angled parking along Front Street created traffic circulation and safety concerns due to the limited roadway width.

The City has implemented time-limited parking in other areas to improve turnover and ensure availability for customers and businesses.

As shown in **Exhibit A**, staff has identified a conceptual layout that includes:

- No parking zones along portions of Front Street and the F Street intersection to improve visibility, turning movements, and access
- 2-hour parking along F Street to promote turnover and support adjacent businesses

The exhibit illustrates both aerial and field conditions, highlighting existing congestion points and proposed areas for restriction and time-limited parking.

These modifications are intended to improve safety, enhance business access, and create a more efficient and functional parking environment.

**Fiscal Impact:** Costs associated with an engineering review and implementation, including signage, striping, and staff time.

**Recommendation:** Provide direction to staff regarding parking modifications on F Street and Front Street.

**Submitted By:** Janet Jernigan, Mayor

**City Manager Approval:** Patrick J. Martinez Date: 4/8/2026

**Other Department Approval (when required):** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_