

Traffic and Transportation Commission

May 20, 2024

Metered Parking and Passenger Loading Zone  
Ward 6

V-D. Applicant: Kingshuck Dey, owner, JK by Chef King Restaurant, 612 N Robinson Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73102  
Municipal Code §32-296, §32-297, §32-299, §32-300, §32-304, §32-366, §32-401 and §32-402

Request: Remove metered parking on the east side of N Robinson Avenue from approximately 105 feet south to 129 feet south of the south curb line of NW 6 Street in favor of a full-time passenger loading zone.

<u>Traffic Data:</u>	<u>North/South</u>
Street Name:	<b>N Robinson Avenue</b>
Street Typology:	General Urban
bikewalkokc Designation:	No designation in 2023 revision to bikewalkokc (previously planned and marked as a Tier 3 “sharrow”)
Street Width:	38 feet, two lanes, two-way, curbed, undivided with parallel parking layby on the east side.
Existing Traffic Controls:	Traffic signals on N Robinson Avenue at NW 5 Street and at NW 6 Street.
Parking Controls:	No parking anytime on both sides between NW 5 Street and NW 6 Street except for a metered parking zone on east side from approximately 83 feet south to 129 feet south of south curb line of NW 6 Street.
Traffic Volume:	2,960 vehicles per day (vpd)(2017)(current traffic data is unavailable due to north bound lane closure for construction)
Speed Limit:	30 mph
DPS Collision Data: (January 2021 to December 2021)	No collisions recorded on N Robinson Avenue between NW 5 Street and NW 6 Street.

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Summary: Kingshuck Dey, owner of JK by Chef King Restaurant located at 612 N Robinson Avenue, has submitted a request to remove a metered parking space on the east side of N Robinson Avenue south of NW 6 Street in favor of a full-time passenger loading zone.

Between NW 5 Street and NW 6 Street, N Robinson Avenue is a 38 foot wide, two lane, two-way, curbed, undivided roadway and is classified as a General Urban street in planokc. The speed limit on N Robinson Avenue is 30 miles per hour (mph). Parking on both sides of N Robinson Avenue between NW 5 Street and NW 6 Street is prohibited except for an approximately 46 foot long metered parking zone on the east side of the roadway south of NW 6 Street. The Oklahoma City Streetcar operates in the south bound lane of N Robinson Avenue from NW 10 Street to W Sheridan Avenue.

Oklahoma Department of Public Safety (DPS) records show no collisions on N Robinson Avenue between NW 5 Street and NW 6 Street in 2021, which is the most recent substantially complete year for which statistical data is available.

Analysis:

The applicant is seeking partial removal of the metered parking on the east side of N Robinson Avenue adjacent to his restaurant in favor of a full-time passenger loading zone. The existing metered parking zone is sufficient to accommodate two parallel parked vehicles and the requested change will convert approximately the southern half of the metered parking zone to a full-time passenger loading zone.

In his letter, Mr. Dey indicates he is also seeking co-designation of the full-time passenger loading zone as a valet loading zone. Establishing a full-time passenger loading zone co-designated as a valet loading zone is a necessary first step toward obtaining approval to operate a valet parking service on public right-of-way within Oklahoma City. The final step in this process is the approval of an administrative revocable permit to operate a valet service within an existing valet loading zone.

Mr. Dey's request for co-designation of the requested full-time passenger loading zone as a valet loading zone is presented in the next item in this agenda.

Recommendation: Action on this matter is at the discretion of the Commission.

Staff notes that, if approved, the passenger loading zone cannot be reserved for any specific user. This zone will be freely available for the short-term passenger loading needs of the public. The applicant has requested that the zone be in effect on a full-time basis. §32-300 limits the times and days when commercial and/or passenger loading zones are in effect. §32-300 states, "All parking limit regulations, unless otherwise specifically provided herein, shall be in force and effect between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. except Sundays and holidays."

The request to designate it as a full-time passenger loading zone will preclude it from being used for any purpose other than passenger loading. Without approval for use as a passenger loading zone on a full-time basis, the area will be available for public parking purposes outside the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. weekdays and holidays.

Next Actions:

If approved, the Commission's action recommending the removal of metered parking will be presented to the City Council in the form of a draft ordinance. Unless appealed, the decision of the Traffic and Transportation Commission regarding the passenger loading zone is final.

Traffic Services Division  
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## **§ 32-296. Definitions.**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (1) Business loop means the area bounded on the north by the north curblane of North 6th Street; on the east by the east curblane of Santa Fe; on the south by the south curblane of Interstate 40; and on the west by the west curblane of Dewey Avenue.
- (2) Derelict vehicle means:
  - a. a vehicle which is in a state of dilapidation and not in operating condition;
  - b. a vehicle upon which a current license plate is not displayed;
  - c. a vehicle from which tires or wheels have been removed or deflated;
  - d. a vehicle which has obviously been abandoned and left on any street by the owner of the vehicle.
- (3) **Holidays means the following days and dates only:** each Saturday; each Sunday; New Year's Day on January 1; Martin Luther King Day on the third Monday of January; President's Day on the third Monday in February; Memorial Day on the last Monday in May; Juneteenth on June 19; Independence Day on July 4; Labor Day on the first Monday in September; Veterans' Day on November 11; Thanksgiving Day on the fourth Thursday in November; Christmas on December 25; the Monday before Christmas if Christmas is on a Tuesday, the Friday after Christmas if Christmas is on a Thursday; if any such holiday other than a Saturday at any time falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be a holiday in that year, and, if any such holiday other than Sunday at any time falls on Sunday, the succeeding Monday shall be a holiday in that year.

(Code 1970, § 34-84; Code 1980, § 32-296; Ord. No. 23679, § 1, 8-26-08; Ord. No. 27,548, § 1, 3-13-24)

Cross reference— Definitions and rules of construction generally, § 1-2.

## **§ 32-297. Parking signs required.**

The Director shall cause the erection of appropriate signs giving notice of any parking time limits or parking regulations imposed by law. No such regulations shall be effective unless said signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense.

(Code 1970, § 34-93; Code 1980, § 32-297)

## **§ 32-299. - Parking time limits not exclusive.**

The provisions of this article imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

(Code 1970, § 34-92; Code 1980, § 32-299)

## **§ 32-300. - Hours when restricted parking applies.**

**All parking limit regulations, unless otherwise specifically provided herein, shall be in force and effect between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. except Sundays and holidays.** The provisions of this article regulating vehicular parking upon the streets shall have no application on Sundays and holidays unless the particular regulation specifically provides that it shall apply at all times.

(Code 1970, § 34-85; Code 1980, § 32-300)

**§ 32-304. - Stopping, standing or parking prohibited in specified places.**

- (a) No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle, except in emergencies or when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a Police Officer or traffic control device in any of the following places:
- (1) on a sidewalk;
  - (2) in front of a public or private driveway;
  - (3) within an intersection;
  - (4) within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or blocking a fire lane;
  - (5) on a crosswalk;
  - (6) within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
  - (7) within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
  - (8) between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless a different length by signs or markings erected by the City;
  - (9) within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
  - (10) within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrance (when properly signposted);
  - (11) alongside or opposite any street excavation or construction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
  - (12) on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
  - (13) upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;
  - (14) at any place where official signs prohibit stopping, standing or parking;
  - (15) on any center median or any non-residential property planting strip;
  - (16) in any designated loading zone in violation of official posted signage, including but not limited to any passenger loading zone, commercial loading zone, valet loading zone, bus stop, taxicab stand, or carriage stand.
- (b) No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his control into any such prohibited area or an unlawful distance away from a curb.
- (c) The owner or operator of a vehicle or its cargo that obstructs the regular flow of traffic shall make every reasonable effort to remove the obstructing vehicle or cargo from the roadway so the regular flow of traffic is not blocked. This subsection shall not apply to:
- (1) Collisions resulting in the injury or death of any person; and/or
  - (2) Collision involving vehicles transporting "Hazardous material" as defined by state law and/or the United States Department of Transportation; and
  - (3) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to relieve any person from complying with any duties as required by Article III, Sections 32-146 through 32-151, inclusive.
- (d) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class "a" offense.

(Code 1970, § 34-101; Code 1980, § 32-304; Ord. No. 23641, § 1, 7-15-08; Ord. No. 24121, § 1, 8-17-10; Ord. No. 24417, § 3, 2-21-12)

State law reference— Stopping, standing or parking prohibited in specified places, 47 O.S. § 11-1003.

### **§ 32-366. - Designation.**

- (a) The Director is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Commission and the Council, to establish parking meter zones upon those streets or parts of streets where it is determined that the installation of parking meters is necessary to aid in the regulation, control, and inspection of the parking vehicles.
- (b) The Director shall prepare and maintain a schedule of those locations designated as parking meter zones. The schedule shall be designated as "SCHEDULE IX. Parking Meter Zones." The original of Schedule IX shall be kept in the office of the City Clerk as a public record.

(Code 1970, §§ 34-142(a), 34-143; Code 1980, § 32-366)

### **§ 32-401. - Definitions.**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (1) Commercial loading zones means all curb loading zones authorized and regularly used exclusively for the loading and unloading of merchandise for storage, trade, shipment or resale.
- (2) Passenger loading zones means all loading zones authorized and used regularly and other passenger common carrier vehicles.
- (3) Valet loading zone means a passenger loading zone, that has been designated by the Commission as a location where (1) a valet parking service may operate and (2) any other driver may expeditiously load and unload passengers.
- (4) Valet parking service is a business operated or service provided, within a designated valet loading zone, by any person or entity whereby the driver of a passenger vehicle leaves the vehicle on the public right-of-way for the operator of the service to park at another location and return to the driver upon demand.

(Code 1970, § 34-131; Code 1980, § 32-401; Ord. No. 23642, § 1, 7-15-08)

Cross reference— Definitions and rules of construction generally, § 1-2.

### **§ 32-402. - Curb loading zones generally.**

- (a) The Director or designee shall recommend the location of all loading zones on public streets in such places and in such number as he/she shall determine to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public, and every such loading zone shall be designated by appropriate signs.
- (b) The Commission is hereby authorized to review the Director's recommendation and approve or deny the location of valet, passenger and commercial curb loading zones and shall cause the Public Works Department to place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the zones and stating the times during which the provisions of this section are applicable.
- (c) No person shall stand or park a vehicle in violation of such signs.

(Code 1970, §§ 34-132, 34-137; Code 1980, § 32-402; Ord. No. 23642, § 1, 7-15-08)

Received by  
Traffic Services Division  
April 11, 2024

Traffic and Transportation Commission  
c/o Oklahoma City Traffic Services Division

This is a letter of request to zone the front of 612 N Robinson Avenue, Oklahoma City Oklahoma 73102 as a valet zone. Request for removal of 2-hour time limited metered parking in favor of a full-time passenger loading zone, and if approved, a valet zone within the passenger loading zone, on the east side of N Robinson Avenue from approximately 105 feet south to approximately 129 feet south of the south curblane of NW 6 Street. Attached is the letter of support from the owner of both buildings JK by Chef King and Prosperity Bank Peter Gianos.

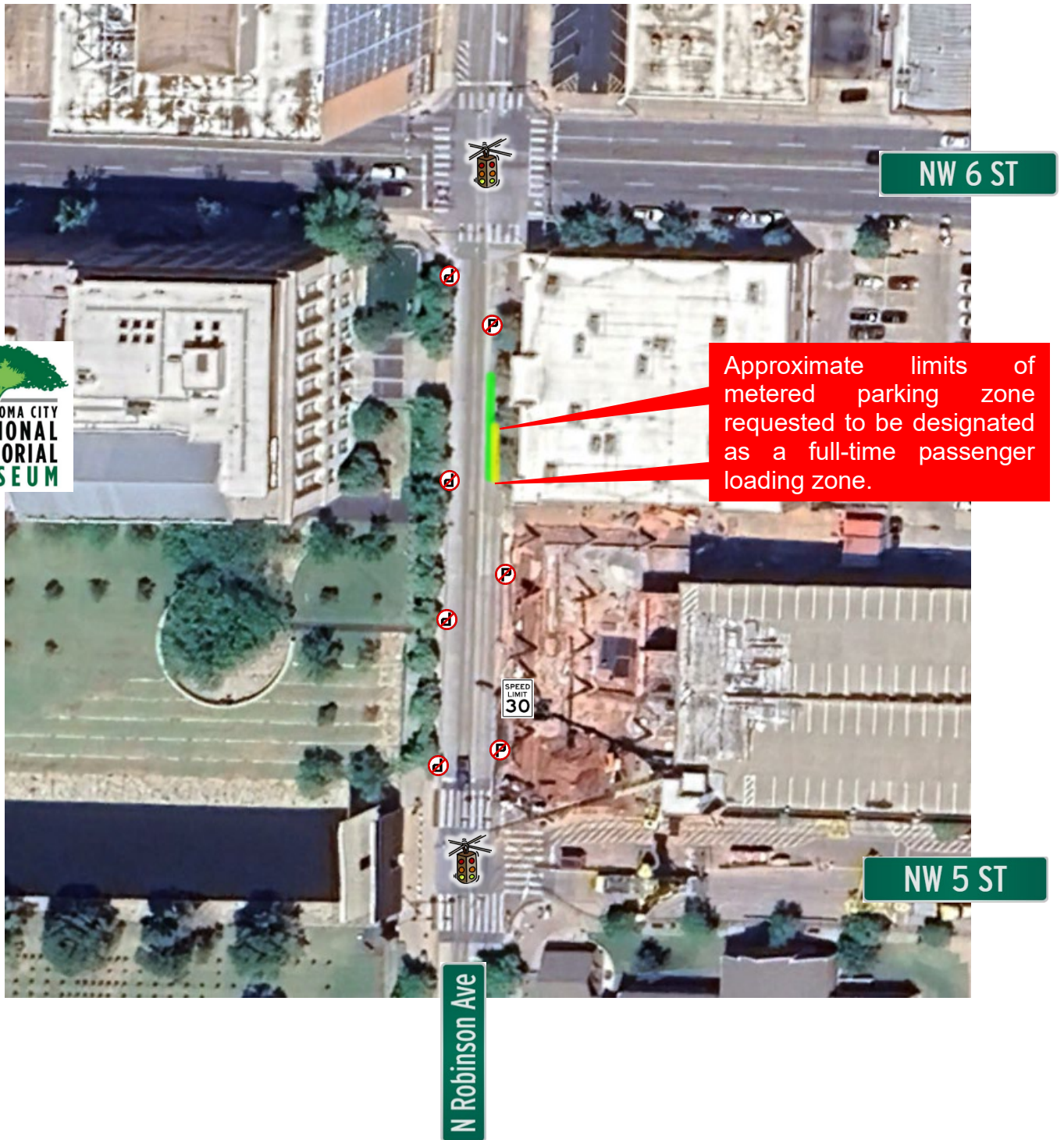
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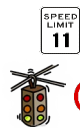
Kingshuck Dey

Owner of JK by Chef King





## Area Traffic Control Map



Speed Limits (as depicted)



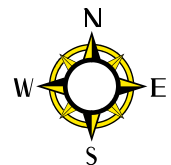
Existing traffic and parking controls (as depicted)



Approximate limits of metered parking (as depicted)



Approximate limits of requested full-time passenger loading zone (as depicted)





### Location Map

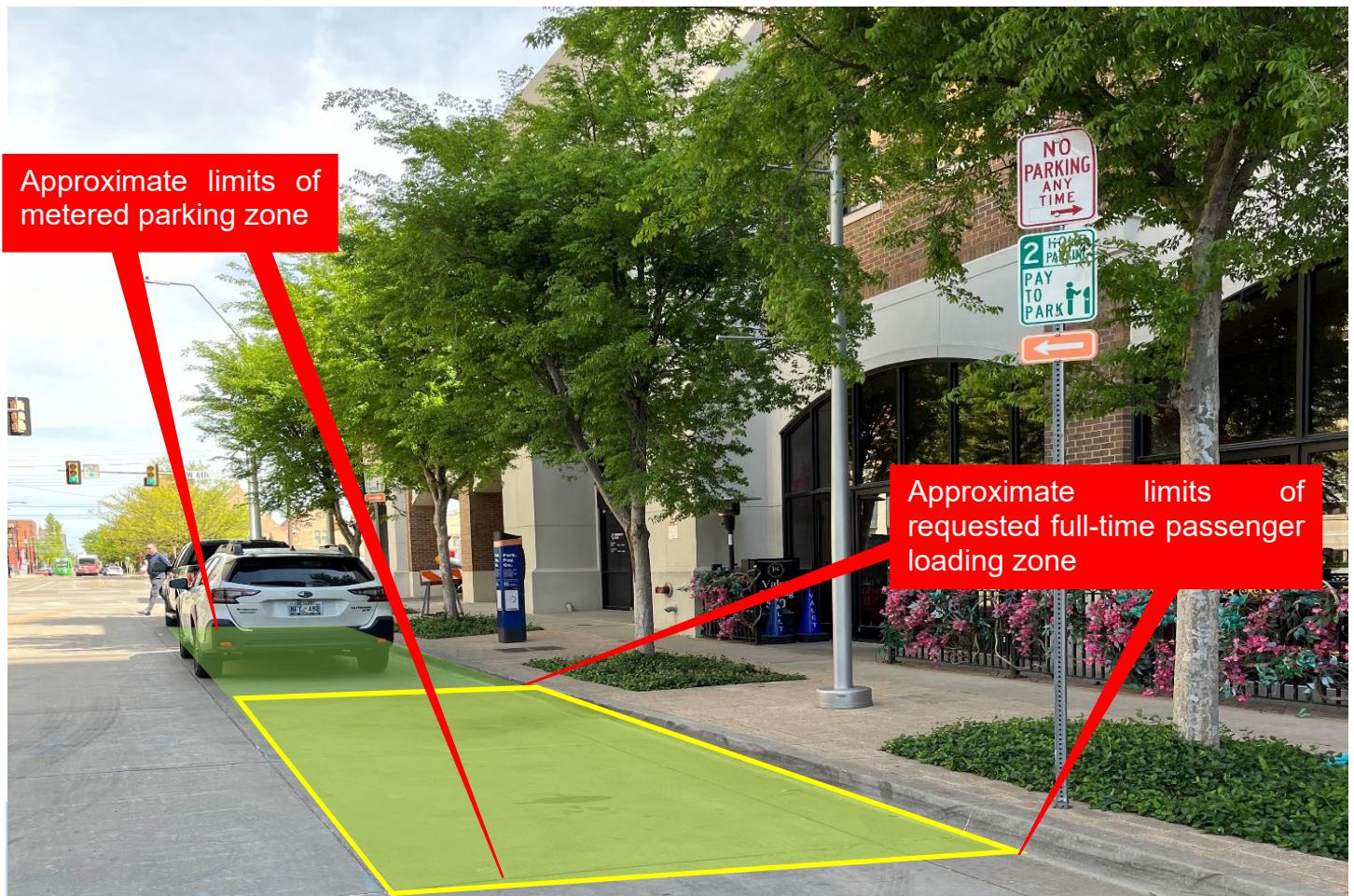


Approximate limits of metered parking (as depicted)



Approximate limits of requested full-time passenger loading zone (as depicted)





Looking north on N Robinson Avenue toward NW 6 Street from the south end of the metered parking zone on the east side of N Robinson Avenue.



Looking south on N Robinson Avenue from NW 6 Street at the metered parking zone on the east side of N Robinson Avenue.