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To the Honorable Members of the City Council,

I live on Orange Drive just a few steps away from Hellman Park on Greenleaf. I seek to address and remedy the ongoing issues surrounding the small strip of parking next to the water tower in Hellman Park.

This strip is a hotspot for chaotic traffic, gridlock, conflicts over parking, and trash. As residents, we've witnessed how these issues not only induce fear but also pose potential safety hazards.

By incorporating this strip into our Preferential Parking District (PPD), we can enforce clearer parking regulations that prioritize the needs of local residents and regular park users. This action would:

1. **Reduce Traffic Congestion:** Clear signage and designated PPD hours would deter non-residents or infrequent park visitors from occupying these spaces during peak hours, ensuring smoother traffic flow.
2. **Promote Safety:** By eliminating the scramble for parking and troublesome arguments between drivers, we can reduce the risk of car accidents or conflicts between drivers.
3. **Decrease Litter and Trash:** With fewer transient visitors and greater regulation, we can hope to see a reduction in the accumulation of waste in the area.

Further, extending the PPD to this strip aligns with the broader goals of preserving our community's peaceful and harmonious atmosphere, ensuring that areas such as Hellman Park remain pristine and welcoming to everyone.

Therefore, we respectfully request the council to consider this proposal and to enhance the quality of life for the many residents and park visitors who frequent Hellman Park. This is a step forward in ensuring our shared spaces reflect the values and standards we hold as a community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We remain hopeful that the council will prioritize the safety, well-being, and satisfaction of its constituents.

Respectfully,
Leticia Balazar