OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE 144 June 12, 2009

TO:

All Sworn Personnel

FROM:

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE

SECTION (LAMC) SECTION 80.73 (b) 2. F.

EFFECTIVE: IMMEDIATELY

On June 5, 2009, an appeal of a parking citation was heard in Superior Court. The parking citation was issued by Department of Transportation employees to a catering truck which was dispensing food in violation of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.73 (b) 2. F, which regulates the amount of time a catering truck may park in residential and commercial locations. As a result of the appeal, LAMC 80.73 (b) 2. F. was rendered invalid and no longer enforceable by law enforcement.

The City Attorney's Office is reviewing the decision to determine whether to file an appeal. If an appeal is filed and the decision is favorable to the City, a revised notice will be published. However, during the interim, officers shall not cite for this specific provision of the Municipal Code.

The Court's decision does not affect the other restrictions listed in LAMC Section 80.73. Officers may continue to issue citations for the following violations contained in Section 80.73.

- LAMC Section 80.73 (b) 2. B. Violations for stopping, standing or parking prohibitions or restrictions either shown by signs or curb markings.
- LAMC Section 80.73 (b) 2. C. Dispensing food which causes any person to stand in that portion of the street between the catering truck and the center of the street.
- LAMC Section 80.73 (b) 2. D. A conspicuous and clearly marked litter receptacle must be in the immediate vicinity of the catering truck.
- LAMC Section 80.73 (b) 2. E. A catering truck operator must pick up, remove and dispose of all trash and refuse dispensed from the catering truck prior to leaving the area.
- LAMC Section 80.73 (b) 2. G. A catering truck must be equipped with an audible backup alarm.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Legal Unit, Risk Management Group, at (213) 978-8300.

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Chief of Police

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