Rolled curbs, also known as rounded curbs, make it especially tempting to park over the curb and partially on the sidewalk. Often drivers think they are clearing the road way, when in fact they are creating a hazard and violating the law.

Pedestrian Safety: Parking over the curb not only impedes access to the sidewalk for pedestrians, but it impedes wheelchair access which is a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Visibility: Parking over the curb can limit the visibility of both pedestrians and drivers. This adds to the potential for serious accidents.

Speeding: Parking over the curb gives the impression that a roadway is wider than it really is. This creates the potential for drivers to exceed the posted neighborhood speed limit, placing residents at risk.

What the Vehicle Code Says:

Driving on a Sidewalk: California Vehicle Code 21663 states: “No person shall operate a motor vehicle upon a sidewalk except as may be necessary to enter or leave adjacent property.”

Together, we can ensure our neighborhoods are safe for everyone.

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