



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent

**March 4, 2008**

**Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council**

**Title: South Land Park Hills Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Project  
(PN: TN74, S15071126)**

**Location/Council District:** The South Land Park Hills Neighborhood is generally bounded by 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue on the north, 13th Street on the east, and South Land Park Drive on the south and west. Location Map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 4)

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution** approving the South Land Park Drive Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Project – Phase 1 Traffic Calming Plan.

**Contact:** Cindy Bates, Program Analyst, 808-6738; Angie Louie, Senior Engineer, 808-7921

**Presenters:** None

**Department:** Transportation

**Division:** Engineering Services

**Organization No:** 3439

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** South Land Park Hills has been a participant in the NTMP since the kick-off community meeting held in January 2007. The goals of the South Land Park Hills NTMP are to reduce speeding and collisions, increase safety at intersections, increase pedestrian safety, increase visibility and delineation of roadway.

**Policy Considerations:** The NTMP is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan for improving public safety and achieving sustainability and livability.

**Environmental Considerations:** The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the South Land Park Hills NTMP project and has determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 1, Section 15301(c) and Class 11, Section 15311(a) of the CEQA Guidelines. Projects exempted under Class 1, Section 15301(c), consist of the operation, repair, or minor alteration of existing highways, streets, sidewalks, gutters,

bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Projects exempted under Class 11, Section 15311(a), consist of the construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including but not limited to on-premise signs.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The Phase I Traffic Calming Plan, developed by the South Land Park Hills Traffic Calming Committee, addresses speeding throughout the neighborhood with the installation of speed lumps. The Fire Department and Traffic Engineering support the proposed installation of speed lumps on South Land Park Drive, although the 4,000 vehicle threshold noted in the traffic calming guidelines was exceeded by approximately 700 vehicles. This decision was based on the high speeds being driven on South Land Park Drive which has homes fronting both sides of the roadway. A three way stop and painted islands at key intersections will be installed to improve traffic safety and assign right of way at the intersections. A flashing yellow beacon, curve warning signs and double yellow centerline treatment will be added to better delineate the roadway on South Land Park Drive. The plan was recently approved by a vote of residents.

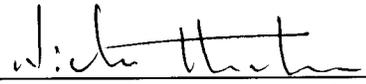
Phase I Improvements: The traffic calming plan involves placing physical devices on neighborhood streets. The Phase I plan for the South Land Park Hills neighborhood includes the installation of 4 speed lumps on South Land Park Drive between 43rd Avenue and 13th Street and 3 speed lumps on 13th Street between 47th Avenue and South Land Park Drive. Install a yellow flashing beacon for southbound South Land Park Drive between 47th Avenue and Silver Lake Drive on existing light pole and 3 Chevron curve signs for southbound South Land Park Drive on existing poles. Mark double yellow center line on South Land Park Drive from 43rd Avenue to 13th Street with raised pavement markers through the curve. Mark speed limit legend on South Land Park Drive between 47th Avenue and 43rd Avenue. Install 3 way stop signs and parking brackets at Norfolk Way and Fordham Way. Mark stop ahead legends on 13th Street approach to 43rd Avenue, Norfolk Way, 47th Avenue and all approaches at South Land Park Drive. Mark pedestrian islands at intersection of 13th Street and South Land Park Drive on each leg of the Intersection.

A copy of the ballot, which includes device locations, is included in Resolution, Exhibit B.

Ballot Results: The NTMP requires residents to vote on Phase I measures. In order to have a successful ballot, a minimum of 25% of all ballots must be returned. A majority vote (50%, plus 1) determines the ballot results. Of the ballots mailed to South Land Park Hills' residents, 51.8% were returned with valid votes cast. Of these, 68% (157 votes) were in favor of the Phase I measures and 32% (75 vote) was opposed. Therefore, the minimum requirement for returned ballots was met and the majority of votes cast were in favor of the Phase I plan.

**Financial Considerations:** As of January 22, 2008, the South Land Park Hills NTMP Project (PN: TN74, S15071126) has a total budget of \$25,000 and an unobligated balance of \$25,000, which is sufficient to cover the estimated cost of \$24,780 for Phase I of the South Land Park Hills NTMP Project.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Any goods and services will be procured in accordance with established City policy.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
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Engineering Services Manager

Approved by:   
Jerry Way  
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

  
RAY KERRIDGE  
City Manager

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**Attachment 1**

**Background Information:**

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December 1995, and officially began in May 1996. South Land Park Hills is the tenth neighborhood in Council District 4 to participate. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in January 2007. Since that time the following has been accomplished using the three "E's" (Education, Enforcement, Engineering) of this program:

Education

- Newsletters and flyers were sent to residents to inform them of the NTMP process.
- A survey of traffic issues was mailed to each residence for input on traffic concerns and comments for solutions.
- The radar speed board was deployed to the area for a few days each month to educate drivers of their speed.
- Traffic Calming Committee members attended a Neighborhood Traffic Class to learn more about traffic engineering practices, laws and traffic calming devices.

Enforcement

- Residents and school parents were informed through flyers about various traffic and parking laws.
- Police traffic enforcement was conducted to address speeding, stop sign violations and driver behavior around the neighborhood schools.
- Parking enforcement officers have patrolled the area for parking violations.

Engineering

- A traffic calming plan was designed by the Traffic Calming Committee, reviewed by City engineering staff and presented to neighborhood residents for comment at a community meeting.

**Attachment 2**

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**SOUTH LAND PARK HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT APPROVAL – PHASE 1  
TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN (PN: TN74, S15071126)**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December of 1995 and officially began in May 1996.
- B. The South Land Park Hills Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN74, S15071126) began in January 2007. The project has followed the NTMP guidelines established by Council resolution. Exhibit A identifies project boundaries.
- C. A traffic calming plan has been designed by residents serving on the Traffic Calming Committee and voted on by neighborhood residents with a 68% approval rate. Exhibit B (attached) is the ballot.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

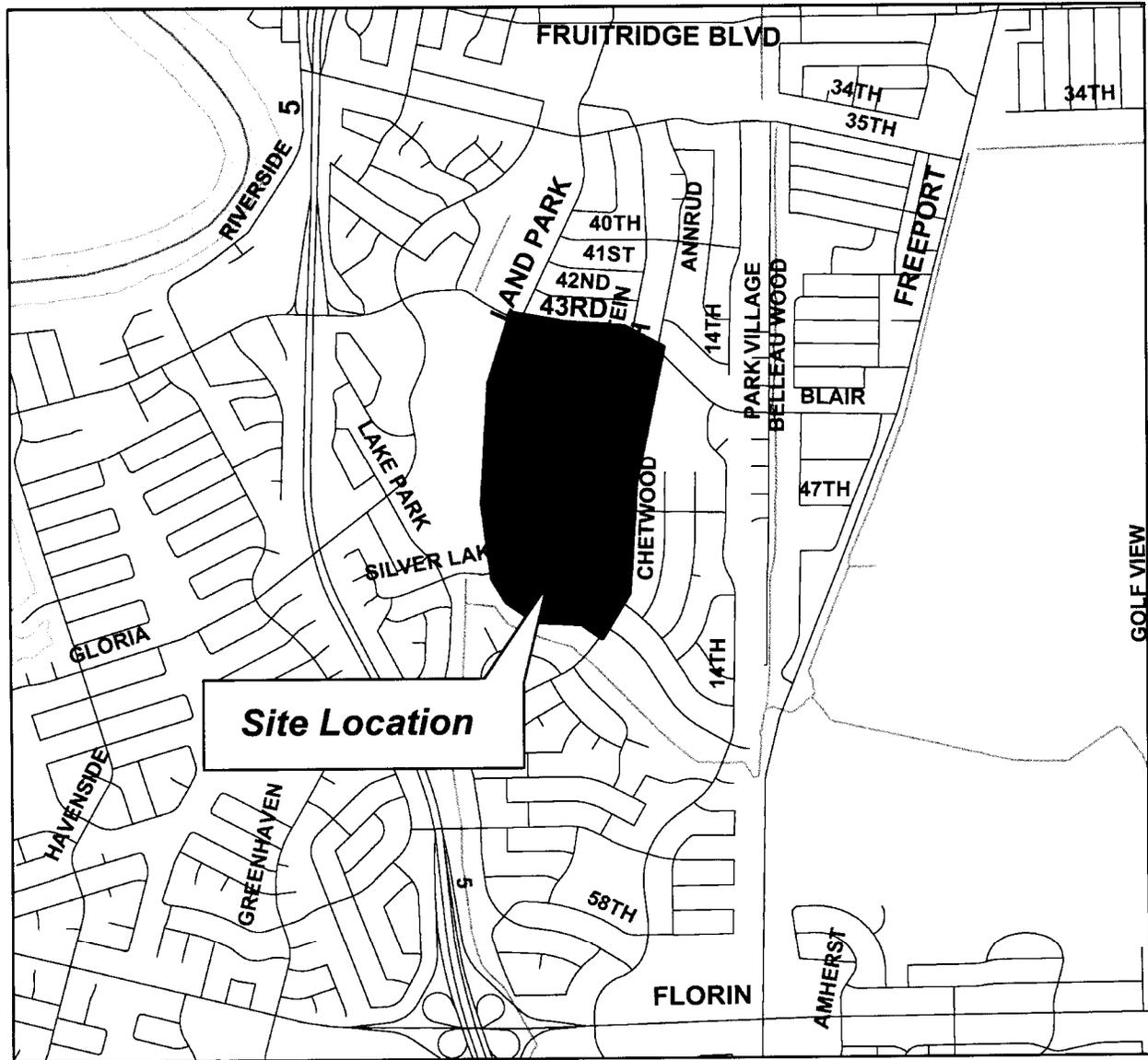
- Section 1. The South Land Park Hills Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Project (PN: TN74, S15071126) is approved.

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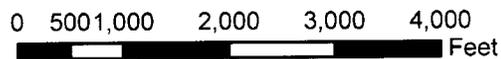
- Exhibit A: Map of South Land Park Hills NTMP Neighborhood - 1 page
- Exhibit B: Traffic Calming Plan Ballot - 1 page

EXHIBIT A

Location map for  
**SOUTH LAND PARK HILLS NTMP NEIGHBORHOOD**  
(PN:TN74, PROJECT ID: S15071126)



Map Contact: Pedro Sanchez  
Date: December 12, 2007





**It's easy to vote!**

**Tear off the ballot, cast your vote and drop it in the mail. (postage is paid.)**

**South Land Park Hills**

808-8365  
CALL 8365  
Hablamos español  
Мы разговариваем по-испански  
We speak Chinese  
Chúng tôi nói tiếng Việt

One ballot per address.

**My address**

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**Yes** – I am in favor of the measures indicated on this ballot.

**No** – I am not in favor of the measures indicated on this ballot.

**Comments**

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All responses must be postmarked by

**December 7, 2007**

**Proposed Measures for Your Neighborhood**

Below are the recommended measures. If approved, the measures will be constructed at no cost to residents and /or homeowners. You are asked to vote in favor of or against the entire traffic calming plan which includes the following measures:

- Install 4 speed lumps on South Land Park Dr between 43rd Av and 13th St
- Install 3 speed lumps on 13th St between 47th Av and South Land Park Dr
- Install yellow flashing beacon for southbound South Land Park Dr between 47th Av and Silver Lake Dr on existing light pole
- Install 3 way Stop signs and parking brackets at Norfolk Wy and Fordham Wy
- Install 2 Chevron curve signs for southbound South Land Park Dr on existing poles
- Mark Double yellow center line on South Land Park Dr from 43rd Av to 13th St with raised pavement markers through the curve
- Mark speed limit legend on South Land Park Dr between 47th Av and 43rd Av
- Mark stop ahead legends on 13th St approach to 43rd Av
- Mark stop ahead legends on 13th St approach to Norfolk Wy
- Mark stop ahead legends for all approaches to 13th St and South Land Park Dr
- Mark stop ahead legend for 13th St and 47th Av
- Mark pedestrian islands at intersection of 13th St and South Land Park Dr on each leg of the intersection
- Mark enhanced crosswalk on South Land Park Dr at 47th Av with crosswalk signs in advance and at the crosswalk

**Do you want traffic calming measures in your neighborhood?**

You have the opportunity to vote on a traffic calming plan for your neighborhood. This vote is to determine if the measures recommended by the Traffic Calming Committee (TCC), which consists of residents from your neighborhood, will be implemented.

The TCC assisted city staff in developing the plan. Various measures were reviewed and agreed upon by the TCC.

**Your Vote Counts!**

Every address (residence and business) within your neighborhood has received this notice and ballot. Now is your opportunity to vote for or against the proposed traffic calming measures.

You and your neighbors will decide whether or not the traffic calming measures will be implemented in your neighborhood.

If enough votes are in favor, the plan will be presented to City Council for review, final approval and funding. In order to pass, a minimum of 25% of all ballots must be returned with a simple majority in favor of the plan.

**For more information call**

**(916) 808-8300**

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