



REPORT TO COUNCIL

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Consent
February 24, 2009

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

**Title: Xandria Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Project
(S15071133)**

Location/Council District: The Xandria neighborhood is generally bound by Bell Avenue on the north, Raley Boulevard on the east, Jessie Avenue on the south and Dry Creek Road on the west. Location Map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** approving the Xandria Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP) Project - Phase 1 Traffic Calming Plan (S15071133).

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

Presenters: None

Department: Transportation

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 15001161

Description/Analysis

Issue: The Xandria neighborhood has been a participant in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) since the kick-off community meeting held in February 2008. The goals of the Xandria NTMP are to reduce speeding and reckless driving, and enhance safety for pedestrians and children.

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

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the Xandria 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 operation, repair, or minor alterations of existing highways, streets, sidewalks,

gutters, 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.

Sustainability Considerations: This project is consistent with the City's Sustainability Master Plan. It is aimed at addressing the goals and targets set forth in the Transportation Infrastructure and Air Quality Focus Areas by improving and optimizing transportation infrastructure with streets that encourage pedestrians and bicycles.

Other: None

Commission/Committee Action: None

Rationale for Recommendation: The Phase I Traffic Calming Plan, developed by the Xandria Traffic Calming Committee, addresses speeding, and vehicular and pedestrian safety at key locations in the neighborhood through the installation of speed lumps, speed limit signs and legends, curve warning signs and centerline treatment in curved portions of the roadway and anti-doughnut pavement treatment. 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 Xandria neighborhood includes the installation of:

- Neighborhood Gateway Signs: 7 locations
 - Xandria Drive at Dry Creek Road
 - Lamberton Circle at Dry Creek Road (both entrances)
 - Fell Street at Bell Avenue
 - Balsam Street at Bell Avenue
 - Katherine Avenue at Raley Boulevard
 - Youngs Avenue at Raley Boulevard

- Speed Limit Legends: 6 locations
 - Dry Creek Road (both entrances)
 - Lamberton Circle (both entrances)
 - Xandria Drive adjacent to Speed Limit Sign
 - Youngs Avenue adjacent to Speed Limit Sign

- Speed Limit Signs: 3 locations
 - Dry Creek Road on the South end
 - Xandria Drive
 - Lamberton Circle (both entrances)

- Speed Lumps: 2 locations
 - Fell Street South of Longshore Court
 - Balsam Street between Youngs Avenue and Katherine Avenue

- Curve Signs: 2 locations
 - Xandria Drive approaching curve

- Centerline treatment: 3 locations
 - Lamberton Circle in both curves
 - Longshore Drive in curve

- Anti-doughnut Pavement Treatment: 2 locations
 - Intersection of Fell Street and Longshore Drive
 - Intersection of Youngs Avenue and Balsam Street

A copy of the ballot, which includes device locations, is included in the 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 Xandria residents, 30.1% were returned with valid votes. Of these, 90.9% (50 votes) were in favor of the Phase I measures and 9.1% (5 votes) were 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: The current project budget is \$25,000 consisting of local transportation funds (Fund 2001). There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project. As of January 30, 2009, the Xandria NTMP Project (S15071133) has an unobligated balance of \$25,000, which is sufficient to cover the estimated project cost of \$21,600.

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

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Hector Barron
City Traffic Engineer

Approved by: 
Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

for 
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. Xandria is the twelfth neighborhood to participate in Council District 2. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in February 2008. 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 in 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 were informed through flyers about various traffic and parking laws.
- Police traffic enforcement and parking enforcement were requested to address speeding and parking concerns.

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

**XANDRIA NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
PROJECT APPROVAL (S15071133)**

BACKGROUND

- A. The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December 1995 and officially began in May 1996.
- B. The Xandria NTMP Project (S15071133) began in February 2008. 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 90.9% 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 Xandria NTMP Project (S15071133) is approved.

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EXHIBIT A

Location map for
XANDRIA NTMP NEIGHBORHOOD
(PROJECT ID: S15071133)



Map Contact: Pedro Sanchez
Date: January 14, 2009

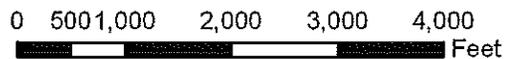


EXHIBIT B

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

www.cityofsacramento.org/transportation

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:

- Neighborhood Gateway Signs: 7 locations
Xandria Dr. at Dry Creek Rd.
Lamberton Cr. at Dry Creek Rd. (both entrances)
Balsam St. at Bell Av.
Katherine Av. at Raley Bl.
Youngs Av. at Raley Bl.
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Xandria

One ballot per address.

My address

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

All responses must be postmarked by

December 26, 2008

