



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
November 10, 2009

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201)

Location/Council District: Neighborhood south of Ethel Phillips Elementary School. .
(District 5)

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) approving the Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201); and 2) approving the environmental document.

Contact: Cecilyn Foote, Associate Civil Engineer (916) 808-6843; Ryan Moore, Supervising Engineer (916) 808-8279

Presenters: None

Department: Transportation

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 15001121

Description/Analysis

Issue: This project will provide preliminary engineering, environmental documentation, final design, and construction of new sidewalk and ADA-compliant curb ramps in the area south of Ethel Phillips Elementary School. The objective of this project is to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility in the neighborhood around Ethel Phillips Elementary School by constructing sidewalk and ADA-compliant curb ramps to provide a continuous path of travel for pedestrians.

Policy Considerations: This project is in accordance with the City Operating Principles of promoting safety and enhancing livability.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the proposed action and determined that the project is exempt from

the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the Categorical Exemption for new construction of small facilities and reconstruction of existing facilities set forth in Sections 15302, 15303, and 15304.

Sustainability Considerations: This project is consistent with Sustainability Master Plan goals to help to enhance the pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way and to encourage pedestrian trips.

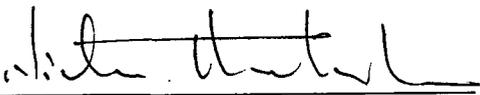
Other: None.

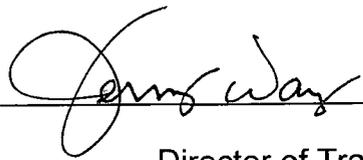
Commission/Committee Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: The City has an obligation to provide pedestrian improvements to enhance the public right-of-way and to increase safety. The approval of this project and approval of the environmental document are necessary to proceed with this project.

Financial Considerations: The Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201) is funded by a combination of \$200,334 of District 5 CRCIP funds and \$378,333 in Measure A funds from the City's Pedestrian Improvement Program (T15075200). The total budget for the Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201) is \$578,667, which is sufficient to design and construct the project. There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None, since no goods or services are being procured with this action.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Nicholas Theocharides
Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: 
Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:


Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1**Background**

The streets in the neighborhood of Ethel Phillips Elementary School have been identified for in-fill sidewalk improvements. The project limits are:

- Atlas Avenue – 28th Street to Franklin Boulevard
- 23rd Avenue – east of 28th Street to Atlas Avenue
- 24th Avenue – east of 28th Street to Atlas Avenue
- 28th Street – north end to south of 24th Avenue

These streets are collectively ranked number five on the list for Pedestrian Improvements in the current Transportation Programming Guide (TPG). In this neighborhood, the sidewalks are not continuous and children walking to and from the school are forced to walk in the street. Additionally, there are no ADA compliant curb ramps at any of the corners. To address traffic safety issues in the area, the neighborhood has been identified as a Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) area. Traffic calming elements, such as speed lumps and a raised crosswalk, will be implemented as part of the NTMP.

The project was reviewed by the Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services Division. It was determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the Categorical Exemption for new construction of small facilities and reconstruction of existing facilities set forth in Sections 15302, 15303, and 15304.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**APPROVAL OF ETHEL PHILLIPS SCHOOL PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT AND APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT**

BACKGROUND

- A. The streets in the neighborhood of Ethel Phillips Elementary School have been identified for in-fill sidewalk improvements. These streets are collectively ranked number five on the list for Pedestrian Improvements in the current Transportation Programming Guide (TPG). In this neighborhood, the sidewalks are not continuous and children walking to and from the school are forced to walk in the street. Additionally, there are no ADA compliant curb ramps at any of the corners.
- B. The project was reviewed by the Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services Division. It was determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the Categorical Exemption for new construction of small facilities and reconstruction of existing facilities.

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

- Section 1. The Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201) is approved.
- Section 2. The environmental document for the Ethel Phillips School Pedestrian Improvements Project (T15075201) is approved.
- Section 3. Exhibit A is incorporated into and made part of this resolution.

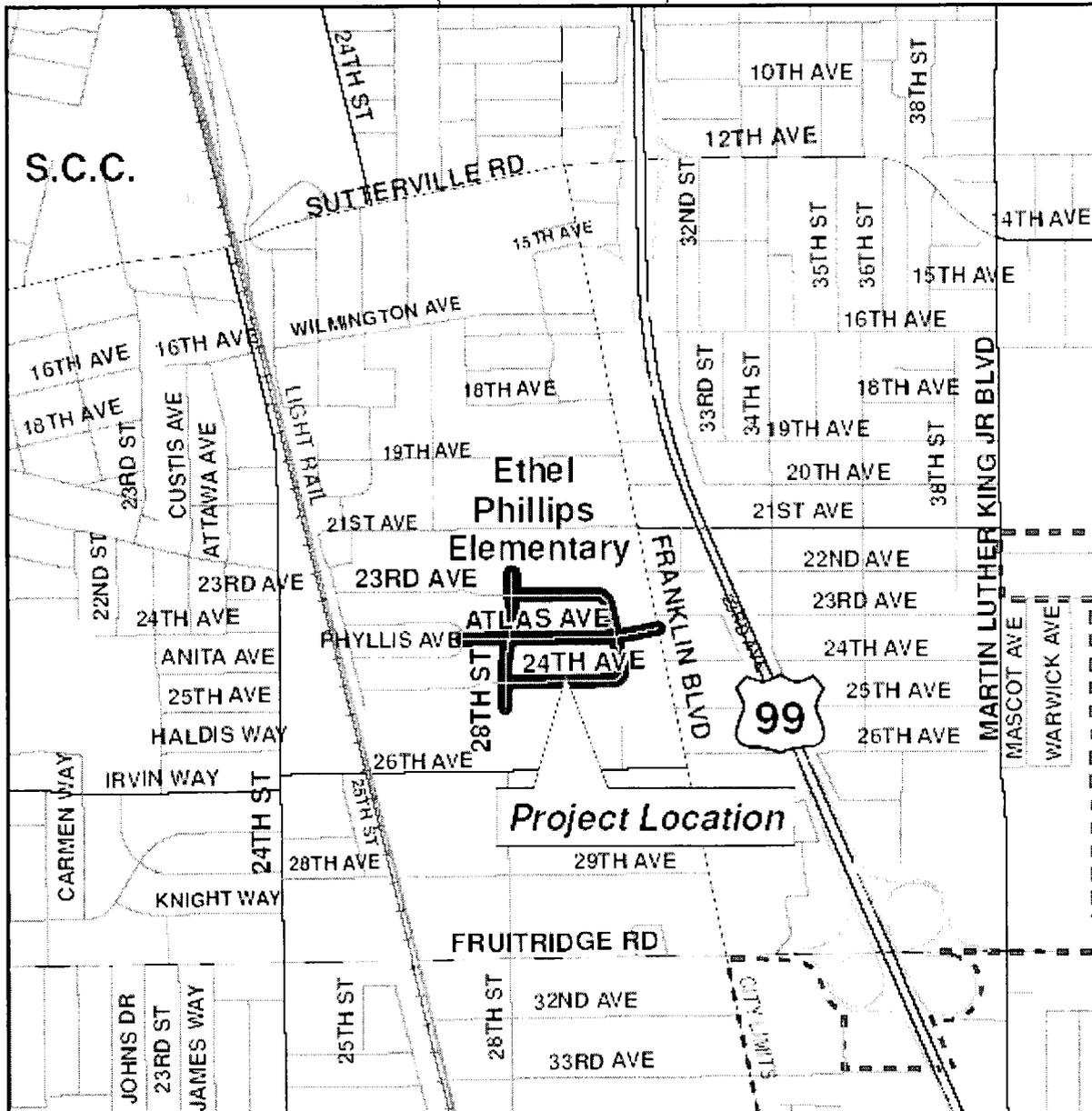
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EXHIBIT A

Location Map for

Ethel Phillips Elementary School
Pedestrian Improvements Project
(T15075201)



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TRANSPORTATION

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Map Date: OCT, 2009

