



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
July 13, 2010

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: North Sacramento Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Project (S15101103)

Location/Council District: The North Sacramento neighborhood is generally bound by Arcade Boulevard on the north, Marysville Boulevard and Del Paso Boulevard on the east, Eleanor Avenue on the south and Rio Linda Boulevard on the west. Location Map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** approving the North Sacramento Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP) Project - Phase 1 Traffic Calming Plan (S15101103).

Contact: Debb Newton, Program Analyst, 808-6739; Angie Louie, Senior Engineer, 808-7921

Presenters: None

Department: Transportation

Division: Traffic Engineering

Organization No: 15001161

Description/Analysis

Issue: The North Sacramento neighborhood has been a participant in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) since the kick-off community meeting held in September 2009. The goals of the North Sacramento NTMP are to lower speeds throughout the neighborhood, improve intersection safety at key locations and reduce the incidence of stop sign running in the neighborhood.

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 Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services Division, has reviewed the North Sacramento 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). The proposed project consists of the minor alteration of existing streets and sidewalks, involving no expansion of use beyond that existing.

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 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 North Sacramento Traffic Calming Committee, addresses speeds and vehicular safety in the neighborhood through the installation of speed lumps, stop and yield signs, no parking signs, centerline and bike lane striping and Neighborhood signs. 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 Traffic Calming Plan for the North Sacramento neighborhood includes the installation of:

- Speed lumps on:
 - Sonoma Avenue, Acacia Avenue, Alamos Avenue, Las Palmas Avenue, Branch Street, Belden Street and Clay Street;
- Stop signs on:
 - Opal Lane at Belden Street;
- Yield sign on:
 - Acacia Avenue east of Rio Linda Boulevard where the eastbound lanes merge;
- No Parking signs on:
 - Eleanor Avenue on the south side of the intersection with Branch Street;

- Centerline and bike lane striping on:
Eleanor Avenue through the intersection with Branch Street;
- Neighborhood signs at key entrances to the neighborhood on:
Sonoma Avenue, Acacia Avenue, Las Palmas Avenue, and Eleanor Avenue.

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 should be returned. A majority vote (50%), plus 1 determines the ballot results. Of the ballots mailed to North Sacramento residents, 28.7% were returned with valid votes. Of these, 85.5% (159 votes) were in favor of the Phase I measures and 14.51% (27 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 estimated cost of Phase I Traffic Calming Plan of the North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103) is \$50,900. Funding for this project will come from three sources: \$40,000 from the North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103) (Fund 2001), \$9,250 from the Speed Lump Program (S15101200) (Fund 2025) and \$1,650 from the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (S15101100) (Fund 2001). As of June 25, 2010, the North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103) (Fund 2001) has a total budget of \$46,000 and an unobligated balance of \$40,644, the Speed Lump Program (S15101200) (Fund 2025) has a total budget of \$205,000 and an unobligated budget of \$169,066 and the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (S15101100) (Fund 2001) has a total budget of \$102,190 and an unobligated balance of \$66,317, which is sufficient to cover the estimated cost for the Phase I Traffic Calming Plan of the North Sacramento NTMP Project. There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project.

The approval of this project will support one job in the City of Sacramento based upon the model provided by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) of one new job for every \$35,000 in transportation project investment.

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:

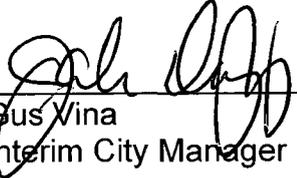

Gus Vina
Interim City Manager

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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. North Sacramento is the seventeenth neighborhood to participate in Council District 2. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in September 2009. 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 Traffic Engineering staff, and presented to neighborhood residents for comment at a community meeting.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**NORTH SACRAMENTO NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
PROJECT APPROVAL (S15101103)**

BACKGROUND

- A. The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December 1995 and officially began in May 1996.
- B. The North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103) began in September 2009. The project has followed the NTMP guidelines established by Council resolution. Exhibit A identifies project boundaries.
- C. A Phase 1 Traffic Calming Plan was designed by residents serving on the Traffic Calming Committee and voted on by neighborhood residents with an 85.5% approval rate. Exhibit B (attached) is the ballot.

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

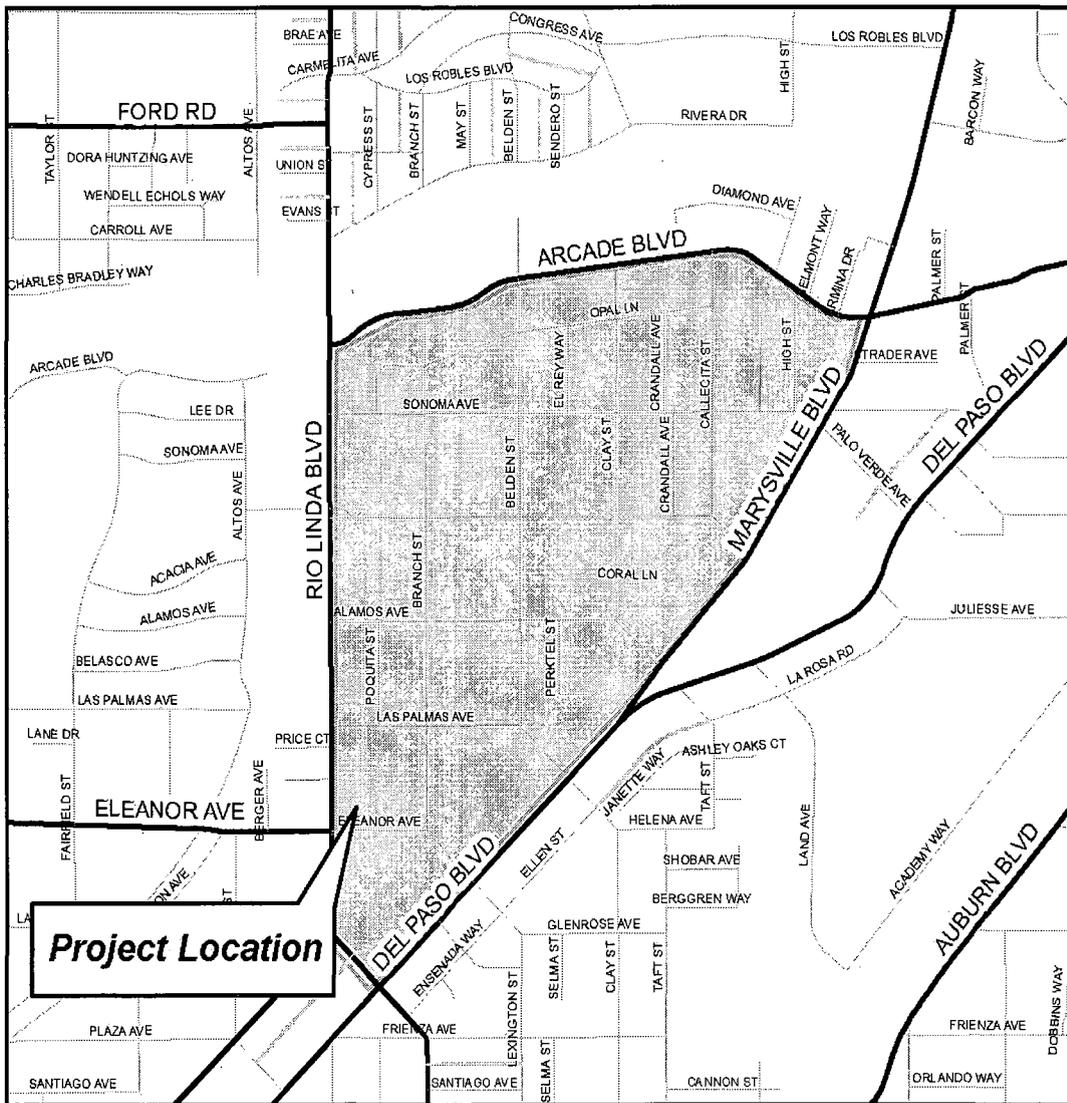
- Section 1. The North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103) is approved.
- Section 2. Exhibits A and B are incorporated into and made part of this resolution.

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- Exhibit A: Map of North Sacramento NTMP Neighborhood
- Exhibit B: Traffic Calming Plan Ballot

EXHIBIT A

LOCATION MAP FOR
NORTH SACRAMENTO NTMP NEIGHBORHOOD
(S15101103)



Map Contact: Hamid Khalessi
Date: June 10, 2010



Do you want traffic calming measures in your neighborhood?

This is your opportunity to vote on the proposed traffic calming plan for your neighborhood. You must vote either yes or no for all measures indicated on this ballot. This advisory vote will determine whether the traffic calming plan will be presented to Sacramento City Council.

Your Vote Counts!

The Traffic Calming Committee, comprised of individuals from your neighborhood, has developed this plan with assistance from Sacramento City staff. All residents and businesses within the project boundary will receive a ballot.

We must receive a minimum of 25% return on the balloting. If a simple majority of ballots returned vote yes, the traffic calming plan will be submitted to Sacramento City Council for review and approval.

What will it cost you?

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program traffic calming plan implementation is funded through Measure A. There is no cost to residents or homeowners.

For more information call
(916) 808-8300

www.cityofsacramento.org/transportation

Proposed Traffic Calming Plan:

Speed Lumps on:

- Sonoma Av between Belden St & Callecita St,
- Acacia Av between Rio Linda Bl & Branch St,
- Acacia Av between Clay St & Marysville Bl,
- Alamos Av between Belden St & Marysville Bl,
- Las Palmas Av between Branch St & Del Paso Bl,
- Branch St between Alamos Av & Eleanor Av,
- Belden St between Arcade Bl & Sonoma Av,
- Belden St between Sonoma Av & Alamos Av,
- Clay St between Arcade Bl & Sonoma Av,
- Clay St between Sonoma Av & Alamos Av.

Centerline and Bike Lane Striping in the intersection of Eleanor Av and Branch St including:

- Adding dashed centerline striping on Eleanor through the intersection,
- Adding double centerline on Eleanor Av approaching Branch St,
- Continuing the bike lane treatment on the south side of Eleanor through the intersection,
- Removing the parking lane on the south side of Eleanor through the curve.

Stop Signs on Opal Lane at Belden St

Yield Sign And Legend on Acacia Av east of Rio Linda Bl where the eastbound lanes merge.

Neighborhood Signs on:

- Acacia Av, east of Rio Linda Bl,
- Eleanor Av, east of Rio Linda Bl
- Eleanor Av, west of Del Paso Bl,
- Sonoma Av, west of Del Paso Bl,
- Las Palmas Av, west of Del Paso Bl.

It's **easy** to vote!



808-8300

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North Sacramento NTMP

Check Yes or No to cast your vote, tear off the ballot and put it in the mail. No postage stamp is needed!

One ballot per address.

My address

Yes – I am in favor of the traffic calming plan on this notice.

No – I am not in favor of the traffic calming plan on this notice.

Comments

All responses must be postmarked by

June 11, 2010

EXHIBIT B

North Sacramento NTMP Project (S15101103)

July 13, 2010

