



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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CONSENT  
January 17, 2006

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Subject:** Project Approval: Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP)  
Phase I Traffic Calming Plan for the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP  
Project (PN: TN51)

**Location/Council District:** The Arlington Park neighborhood is generally bound by Culpepper Drive on the north and east, Jacinto Avenue on the south and Carlin Avenue on the west. Location map – Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 8)

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution approving the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Phase I traffic calming plan for the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51).

**Contact:** Debb Newton, Program Analyst, 808-6739; Kate Binning, Program Specialist, 808-8365

**Presenters:** None

**Department:** Department of Transportation

**Division:** Engineering Services Division

**Organization No:** 3439

**Summary:**

The Arlington Park neighborhood has been a participant in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) since the kick-off community meeting held in February 2005. The goals suggested by the neighborhood are to address speeding and reckless driving throughout the neighborhood. The Phase I plan, developed by the Arlington Park Traffic Calming Committee, is designed to address the goals through the installation of speed humps, speed tables, a traffic island, stop signs and centerline treatment. The plan was recently approved by a vote of the residents.

**Committee/Commission Action:** None



**Background Information:**

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December 1995 and officially began in May 1996. The Arlington Park neighborhood is the tenth neighborhood to participate in Council District 8. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in February 2005. 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 progress.
- 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 were informed (through flyers) about various traffic and parking laws.

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.

Phase I Improvements

The traffic calming plan involves placing physical devices on neighborhood streets. The Phase I plan for the Arlington Park neighborhood includes speed humps, speed tables, a traffic island, stop signs and centerline treatment. A copy of the ballot, which contains device descriptions and locations, is included as Resolution Exhibit B.

Ballot Results

The NTMP program 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 residents, 43% were returned with valid votes cast. Of those, 87.5% (or 70) were in favor of Phase I measures and 12.5% (or 10) 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 cost of the Phase I plan for the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51) is estimated at \$24,150. Funding for this project will come from the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51) (Fund 201). As of December 20, 2005, the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51) has an unobligated balance of \$24,450, which is sufficient to cover the traffic calming improvements proposed for the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51).

**Environmental Considerations:**

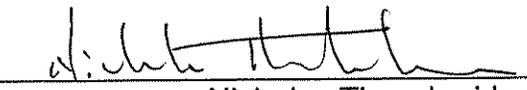
The Development Services Department, Environmental Services Division has reviewed the Arlington Park NTMP project and determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 1, Section 15301(c) and Class 11, Section 15311(a) of the CEQA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

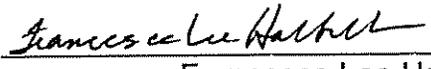
**Policy Considerations:**

The NTMP is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan for achieving sustainability and enhance livability.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):**

Any goods and services will be procured in accordance with established City policy.

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Engineering Services Manager

Approved by:   
Francesca Lee Halbakken  
Interim Director, Department of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

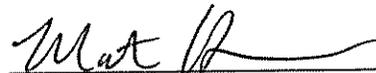
  
Ray Kerridge  
Interim City Manager

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**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**APPROVING THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (NTMP)  
PHASE I TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN FOR THE ARLINGTON PARK  
NEIGHBORHOOD NTMP PROJECT (PN: TN51)**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. In December of 1995, the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council and officially began in May 1996.
- B. The Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51) began in February 2005. 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 87.5% approval rate. Exhibit B reflects the plan as voted on by the residents.

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

Section 1: Approve the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Phase I Traffic Calming Plan for the Arlington Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN51).

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**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](http://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 resident and /or homeowners. You are asked to vote in favor of or against the entire traffic calming plan which includes the following measures:

- ◆ **Speed Humps**—Install speed humps on:
  - ◆ Culpepper Drive between Moorefield Way and the northeast elbow
  - ◆ Culpepper Drive between the northeast elbow and Hamburg Way
  - ◆ Culpepper Drive between Hamburg Way and Jacinto Avenue
- ◆ **Raised Pavement Markers**—Place on:
  - ◆ Centerline of Culpepper Drive through the elbow to help keep drivers in their proper travel lanes.
- ◆ **Stop Signs**—Install on:
  - ◆ Jacinto Avenue at Culpepper Drive to create a three-way stop.
- ◆ **Traffic Tables**—Install two tables to slow traffic on:
  - ◆ Jacinto Avenue between Carlin Avenue and Winterham Way
  - ◆ Jacinto Avenue between Winterham Way and Culpepper Drive.
- ◆ **Traffic Island**—Install a small island on:
  - ◆ Culpepper Drive at Carlin Avenue



**It's easy  
to vote!**

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

**Arlington Park**

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

**October 28, 2005**

