



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
February 10, 2009

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: City Farms Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Project
(S15071129) and Fund Transfer

Location/Council District: The City Farms neighborhood is generally bound by Sutterville Road on the north, Franklin Boulevard on the east, 24th Avenue on the south and Deeble Street on the west. Location Map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 5)

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** approving the City Farms Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP) Project - Phase 1 Traffic Calming Plan (S15071129) and transfer of funds.

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 City Farms neighborhood has been a participant in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) since the kick-off community meeting held in November 2007. The goals of the City Farms NTMP are to improve children's safety adjacent to the schools and park, improve vehicular/pedestrian safety at key locations in the neighborhood, and to address speeding concerns on problematic streets.

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 City Farms 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, 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 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 City Farms Traffic Calming Committee, addresses children's/pedestrian safety, vehicular safety and speeding at key locations in the neighborhood through the installation of speed lumps, a raised crosswalk, portable slow points, anti-donut surface treatment, signs, markings, and parking restrictions. 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 City Farms neighborhood includes the installation of:

- Speed lumps on:
Atlas Avenue, Deeble Street and Jeffrey Avenue,
- Raised crosswalk and signage on:
21st Avenue adjacent to the entrance to Ethel Phillips Elementary School,
- Portable slow points on:
Jeffrey Avenue and W. Pacific Avenue at 18th Street,

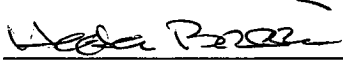
- Anti-Donut surface treatment:
Intersection of 19th Avenue and Arlington Avenue,
- Stop signs on:
16th Avenue at 28th Street and on 28th Street at 18th Avenue,
- Crosswalks and signage at the intersections of :
Wilmington Avenue & Arlington Avenue, 19th Avenue & Arlington Avenue,
and 18th Avenue and Atlas Avenue at Franklin Boulevard,
- Parking restrictions on:
Wilmington Avenue, 18th Avenue and Atlas Avenue at Franklin Boulevard
and at the intersections of Wilmington Avenue & W. Pacific Avenue and
Phyllis Avenue & Atlas Avenue,
- “Local Traffic Only” sign on:
W. Pacific Avenue south of Sutterville Road,
- Speed legends on:
W. Pacific Avenue, 16th Avenue and 18th Avenue,
- Neighborhood signs on:
W. Pacific Avenue, E. Pacific Avenue, Wilmington Avenue, 19th Avenue,
21st Avenue and Atlas 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 must be returned. A majority vote (50%), plus 1 determines the ballot results. Of the ballots mailed to City Farms residents, 29.9% were returned with valid votes. Of these, 91.5% (184 votes) were in favor of the Phase I measures and 8.5% (17 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 of the City Farms NTMP Project (S15071129) is \$51,800. As of January 2, 2009, the City Farms NTMP Project (PN: S15071129) has a total budget of \$25,000 and an unobligated balance of \$25,000. Approval of the fund transfer from the Speed Hump Program (S15071200) in the amount of \$9,000 and from the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (S15071100) in the amount of \$17,800 to the City Farms NTMP Project (S15071129) will increase the total budget to \$51,800 which is sufficient to cover the project costs. These projects are not funded by the General Fund.

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. City Farms is the fourteenth neighborhood to participate in Council District 5. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in November 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 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

**CITY FARMS NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
PROJECT APPROVAL (S15071129)**

BACKGROUND

- A. The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was adopted by City Council in December 1995 and officially began in May 1996.
- B. The City Farms NTMP Project (S15071129) began in November 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 91.5% 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 City Farms NTMP Project (S15071129) is approved.
- Section 2. The FY08/09 Capital Improvement Program Budget is amended by transferring \$9,000 from the Speed Hump Program (S15071200) and \$17,800 from the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (S15071100) to the City Farms NTMP Project (S15071129).

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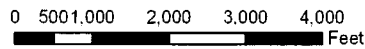
- Exhibit A: Map of City Farms NTMP Neighborhood
- Exhibit B: Traffic Calming Plan Ballot

EXHIBIT A

Location map for
CITY FARMS NTMP NEIGHBORHOOD
(PN:TN82, PROJECT ID: S15071129)



Map Contact: Pedro Sanchez
Date: January 05, 2009



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:

Speed Lumps—Install two speed lumps on:

- Atlas Av between 23rd Av & 28th St,
- Deeble St between 23rd Av & 24th Av,
- Jeffrey Av between Sutterville Rd & Wilmington Av,

Raised Crosswalk & Signage - Install on 21st Av adjacent to Ethel Phillips Elementary School,

Portable Slow Points—Install on:

- W. Pacific Av, north of 18th St,
- Jeffrey Av, south of 18th St,

Stop Signs—Install on:

- 16th Av at 28th St,
- 28th St at 18th Av,

Triple-Four Crosswalk - Install on Wilmington Av at Arlington Av

Standard Crosswalk - Install on:

- Arlington Av at Wilmington,
- 18th Av at Franklin Bl (with "Use Crosswalk" signs),
- 19th Av & Arlington Av,
- Atlas Av at Franklin Bl,

Advance Crosswalk Signs - Install on:

- Arlington Av at Wilmington,
- 21st Av at Arlington Av,
- 23rd Av at 28th St,

Red Curb - Install on:

- Wilmington Av at Franklin Bl,
- 18th Av at Franklin Bl,
- Atlas at Franklin Bl,

Intersection of Wilmington Av and W. Pacific Av,

Parking Brackets - Install on:

- Phyllis Av, west of Atlas Av,
- Atlas Av, north of Phyllis Av,

Speed Legends - Install on:

- W. Pacific Av, south of Sutterville Rd,
- 16th Av, west of Franklin Bl,
- 18th Av, west of Franklin Bl,

"Local Traffic Only" Sign - Install on W. Pacific Avenue, south of Sutterville Rd,

Anti-Donut Surface Treatment - Install in the intersection of 19th Av & Arlington Av,

Neighborhood "City Farms" Signs - Install at entrances to the neighborhood on:

- W. Pacific Av,
- E. Pacific Av,
- Wilmington,
- 19th Av,
- 21st Av,
- Atlas Av.



It's **easy** to vote!

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Chúng tôi nói tiếng Việt

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

City Farms

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 12, 2008

