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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, PHASE I - APPROVE
COLOMA TERRACE NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT (PN: TN43)**

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:

The Coloma Terrace neighborhood is generally bound by C Street on the north, Elvas Avenue on the east, H Street on the south and 45th Street on the west - Council District 3 (see map - Attachment A).

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that City Council adopt the attached resolution:

- Approving the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Phase I traffic calming plan for the Coloma Terrace Neighborhood Project (PN: TN43).

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: March 29, 2005

SUMMARY:

The Coloma Terrace neighborhood has been a participant in the NTMP since the kick-off community meeting held in September 2003. The goals of the neighborhood are to address speeding and increase safety throughout the neighborhood. The Phase I plan, developed by the Coloma Terrace Traffic Calming Committee, is designed to address the goals through the installation of speed humps and lumps, stop signs, parking brackets, parking removal and crosswalks, striping removal, speed legends and neighborhood signs. The plan was recently approved by a vote of the residents. This report gives details of the Phase I plan, ballot results, and cost estimate.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION: None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program was adopted by City Council in December 1995 and officially began in May 1996, with a lottery to determine the order of neighborhood participation. The Coloma Terrace neighborhood, combined with the Lagomarsino project, is the seventh neighborhood to participate in Council District 3. The kickoff meeting for the neighborhood was in September 2003. 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. Parking enforcement officers have patrolled the area for parking violations.

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 Coloma Terrace neighborhood includes speed humps and lumps, stop signs, parking brackets, parking removal and crosswalks, striping removal, speed legends and neighborhood signs. The actual location for placement of the speed humps will be determined upon Council approval and will take into consideration driveways and street characteristics. Two all-way stop locations at 46th St, F St and Pico Way and at Coloma Way and Pico Way did not meet the length criterion included in the City's four-way stop warrants. The City does not have warrants to address the five-way intersection. All other criteria were met. Due to limited visibility and in order to address driver confusion, both of the all-way stop locations were approved by the City Traffic Engineer.

Ballot Results

The NTMP program requires residents to vote on Phase I measures because of their restrictive nature. 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, 36.7% (or 276) were returned with valid votes cast. Of those, 75.7% (or 209) were in favor of Phase I measures and 24.3% (or 67) 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:

When the NTMP program was adopted, it was anticipated that each neighborhood would be allocated \$25,000 for traffic calming measures. The estimated cost of the Phase I plan for the Coloma Terrace neighborhood is \$27,143. As of March 1, 2005, the Coloma Terrace project (PN: TN43) has an unobligated balance of \$27,143, which is sufficient to cover the traffic calming improvements in the Coloma Terrace neighborhood.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

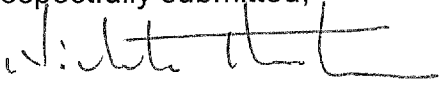
The Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services has reviewed the Coloma Terrace Neighborhood Traffic Calming Plan and has determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 1, Section 15301(c) and Class 11, Section 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, bicycle and pedestrian trails, 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 enhancing and preserving neighborhoods.

ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Engineering Services Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

Approved by:

Marty Hanneman
Director, Department of Transportation

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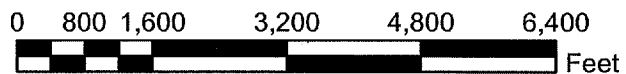
- 1) Attachment A, Map of Coloma Terrace neighborhood – page 4
- 2) Resolution approving Phase I Traffic Calming Measures – page 5

Coloma Terrace NTMP Neighborhood (PN:TN43)



Map Contact: Kulwinder Chahal

Date: March 1, 2005



RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

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TERRACE NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT (PN: TN43)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

- The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Phase I traffic calming plan is hereby approved for the Coloma Terrace Neighborhood Project (PN: TN43).

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: _____