



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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CONSENT  
March 7, 2006

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Subject:** Project Approval: Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Phase I Traffic Calming Plan for the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40)

**Location/Council District:** The Curtis Park neighborhood is generally bound by 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the north, Franklin Boulevard on the east, Sutterville Road on the south and 24<sup>th</sup> Street on the west. Location map – Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 5)

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution approving the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Phase I traffic calming plan for the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40).

**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 Curtis Park neighborhood has been a participant in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) since the kick-off community meeting held in June 2004. The goals suggested by the neighborhood are to address speeding, volumes, and pedestrian and bicycle safety throughout the neighborhood. The Phase I plan, developed by the Curtis Park Traffic Calming Committee, is designed to address the goals through the installation of speed humps, portable speed lumps, stop signs, parking brackets, slow points and entry islands. 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 Curtis Park neighborhood is the ninth neighborhood to participate in Council District 5. The kick-off community meeting for the neighborhood was held in June 2004. 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 Curtis Park neighborhood includes speed humps, portable speed lumps, stop signs, parking brackets, slow points and entry islands. A copy of the ballot, which contains device descriptions and locations, is included as Resolution Exhibit B.

This will be the first use of portable speed lumps in the City. The lumps are pre-formed from recycled rubber and bolted to the street. This will allow for easy removal of the devices, if they are deemed unnecessary when and if the Curtis Park Village development moves forward. The portable humps are being funded through the Speed Hump Program as a pilot location.

The speed hump located on West Curtis Drive between Curtis Way and Montgomery Way is being removed from the plan due to comments received from residents living adjacent to the proposed location.

### 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, 51.6% were returned with valid votes cast. Of those, 79% (or 260) were in favor of Phase I measures and 21% (or 69) 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 the Phase I plan for the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40) is \$50,558. Funding for this project will come from two sources: \$40,558 from the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40) (Fund 201) and \$10,000 from the Speed Hump Program (PN: SH89) (Fund 201). Sufficient funds are available to cover the traffic calming improvements proposed for the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40).

### **Environmental Considerations:**

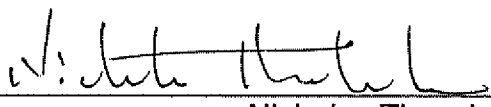
The Development Services Department, Environmental Services Division has reviewed the Curtis Park NTMP project and determined that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 1, Section 15301(c) and Class 11, Section 15311(a) of the CEQA Guidelines. 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.

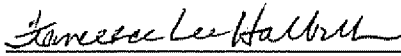
### **Policy Considerations:**

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.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
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Engineering Services Manager

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

Recommendation Approved:

  
RAY KERRIDGE  
for Interim City Manager

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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### **APPROVING THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PHASE I TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN FOR THE CURTIS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD NTMP PROJECT (PN: TN40)**

#### **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 Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40) began in June 2004. 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 79% approval rate. Exhibit B reflects the plan as voted on by the residents.
- D. A speed hump proposed on West Curtis Drive between Curtis way and Montgomery Way was removed from the plan following the ballot, after reviewing follow-up comments from residents living adjacent to the proposed location.

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

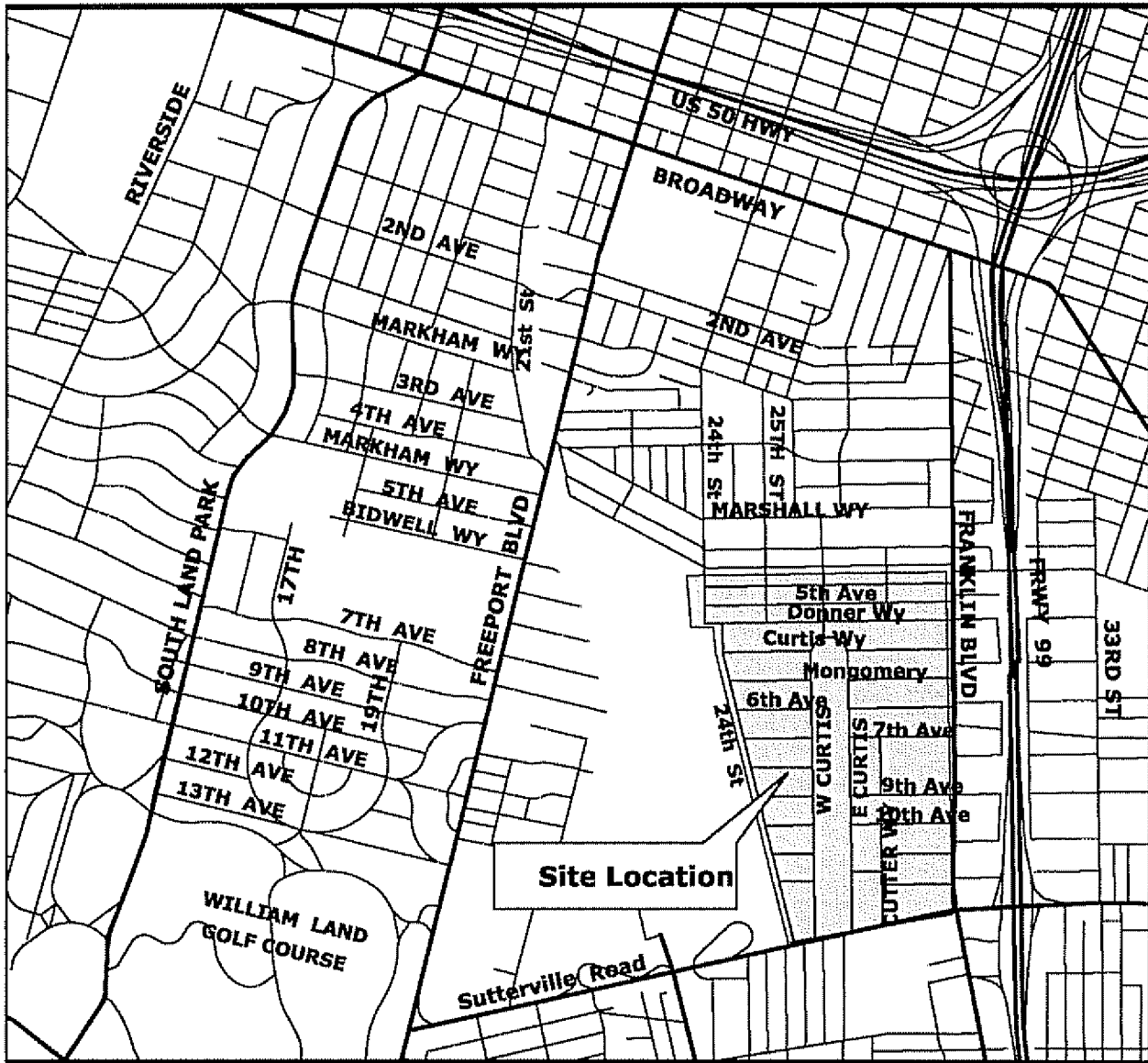
- Section 1: Approve the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Phase I Traffic Calming Plan for the Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Project (PN: TN40).

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- Exhibit A: Curtis Park Neighborhood NTMP Location Map – 1 page
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EXHIBIT A

Location map for  
**CURTIS PARK NTMP Neighborhood**  
**(PN:TN40)**



Map Contact: Kulwinder Chahal  
Date: February 3, 2006



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.

**You! Vote Counts!**

Every address (residence and business) within your neighborhood has received this notice and ballot. There 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 residents and/or homeowners. You are asked to vote in favor of or against the entire traffic calming plan which includes the following measures:

**Install portable speed humps on 24th Street:**

- ◆ North of 5th Avenue
- ◆ Between 7th Avenue & 8th Avenue
- ◆ Between 10th Avenue & 11th Avenue
- ◆ South of Coleman Way

**Install speed humps on:**

- ◆ Donner Way between 25<sup>th</sup> St & 26<sup>th</sup> St
- ◆ Donner Way between 26th St & Franklin Blvd (two)

- ◆ West Curtis Dr between Curtis & Montgomery
- ◆ West Curtis Dr south of Coleman Way
- ◆ East Curtis Dr south of Coleman Way
- ◆ 10<sup>th</sup> Av between Cutter Way & Franklin Blvd
- ◆ Cutter Way south of 11<sup>th</sup> Av
- ◆ Cutter Way between Coleman Way & Soreville

**Install a stop sign on:**

- ◆ 26<sup>th</sup> St at Curtis Way
- ◆ Cutter Way at 10th Av

**Install a landscaped slow point on 26th Street:**

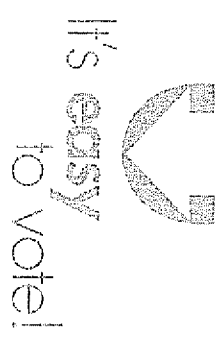
- ◆ Mid-block between 5th Av and the alley to the south

**Between Donner Way and the park (two)**

- ◆ 24<sup>th</sup> St
- ◆ Franklin Blvd

**Install parking brackets on:**

- ◆ 7th Av between E. Curtis Way and Franklin
- ◆ 9th Av between E. Curtis Way and Franklin



Tear off the ballot, cast your vote and drop it in the mail. (postage is paid).  
**Curtis 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 14, 2005**

