

REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
April 10, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

**Title: Approval to Submit Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
Applications**

Location/Council District: Rio Linda Boulevard, Santa Ana to Pinedale, District 2,
and Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue, District 2.

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** approving the submission of an application for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding for 1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade, and 2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification.

Contact: Theresa Arnold, Special Projects Engineer, 808-5514; Tim Mar, Supervising Engineer, 808-7531

Presenters: None

Department: Department of Transportation

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 3435

Description/Analysis

Issue: Caltrans has issued a call for projects for the federal HSIP. Funds are available to solve safety problems on transportation facilities. Funding available for the 2006/2007 federal Fiscal Year is approximately \$27-million statewide. Staff recommendation is to submit applications for (1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade, and (2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification projects.

(1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade:

To increase safety for pedestrians who will cross Rio Linda Boulevard at Santa Ana and at Pinedale, City Staff is proposing to install crosswalks, curb ramps and pedestrian actuated flashers.

Why this project was selected: Rio Linda Boulevard currently has between 10,000 to 12,000 vehicles per day and has a posted speed of 45 mph.

Installation of traffic signals at Santa Ana and Pinedale intersections will provide enhanced access for pedestrians as an alternate to this currently unimproved stretch of Rio Linda Boulevard. This improvement would especially protect the many school children walking and bicycling to the nearby Robla School. The proposed project will provide a connection to the Sacramento Northern Bike Trail, thereby completing the missing link to access the school. When completed, these intersection improvements will complement the other proposed improvements that the City requested grant funding through the Safe Routes to Schools program last December. The funds in the Safe Routes to Schools grant funding source were not sufficient to include these improvements, therefore, staff is recommending that the City seeks HSIP funds to supplement the needed improvements.

(2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification: This site is a rural intersection in the North Sacramento area. It carries about 16,000 vehicles per day. There have been 32 collisions in the past three years, 18 of which were right angle collisions. This project will provide protected left turn phasing for the east and westbound movements.

Why this project was selected: Due to the high volume and number of accidents at this intersection staff believes the improvements will increase the safety index score making it a strong candidate for a HSIP project.

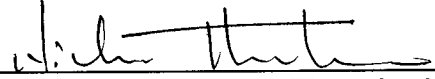
Policy Considerations: Leveraging of local funds with state or federal funds is consistent with Council policy on the use of local funds. This project is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan goal to promote and support economic vitality by investing in infrastructure development to support sustainable growth.

Environmental Considerations: This is not considered a project as defined by Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

Rationale for Recommendation: The (1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade, and (2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification represents the best projects to win HSIP grant funding based on its guidelines and established criteria.

Financial Considerations: The estimated cost of (1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade is \$470,000; and (2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification is \$260,000. The maximum reimbursement is ninety-percent (90%). If the project is selected, the City will be required to supply a minimum local match of ten-percent (10.0%). Funds for the local match are reserved in State and Federal Grant Match (PN: TX01).

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None, since no goods or services are being procured with this action.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Nicholas Theocharides
Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: 
Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:


for RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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Background Information:

Caltrans has issued a call for projects for the federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). Funds are available to solve safety problems on transportation facilities. Funding available for the 2006/2007 federal Fiscal Year is approximately \$27-million statewide. Staff recommendation is to submit applications for (1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade, and (2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification projects.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP)
APPLICATIONS**

BACKGROUND

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

- Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to submit an application for funding to the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for two projects:
- (1) Rio Linda Boulevard: Santa Ana to Pinedale Pedestrian Safety Upgrade, and
 - (2) Rio Linda Boulevard and Bell Avenue Signal Modification

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EXHIBIT A

Location Map for
Rio Linda Boulevard:
Santa Ana Avenue to Pinedale Avenue
Pedestrian Safety Updgrade

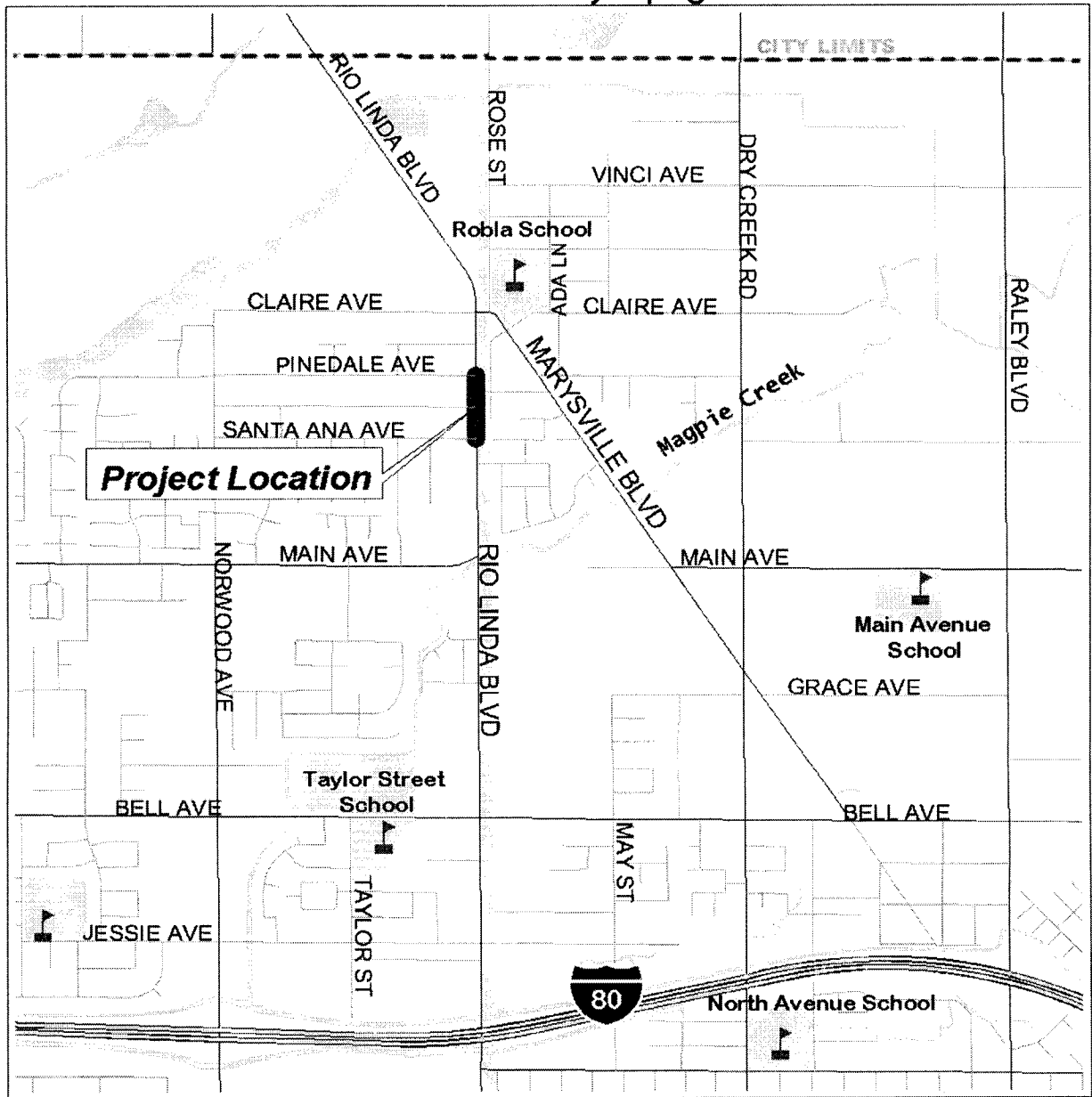
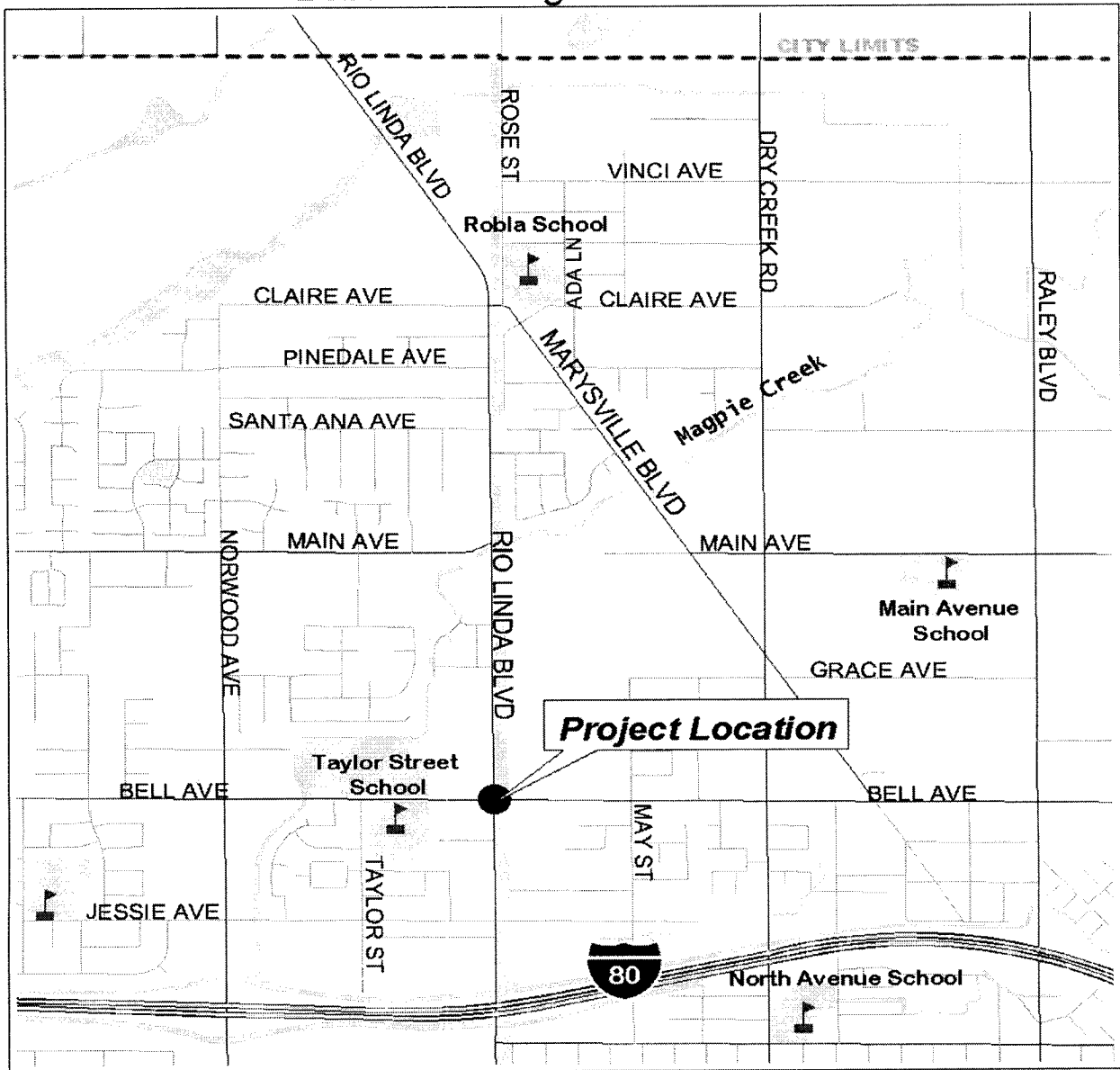


EXHIBIT B

Location Map for

Rio Linda Boulevard:
Bell Avenue Signal Modification



Department of
TRANSPORTATION
City of San Ramon

Map Contact: S. Tobin
Map Date: March, 2007

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