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**CITY OF SACRAMENTO**  
CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF  
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July 8, 1997

City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC THROUGH ALLEY BOUNDED BY CARMEL STREET AND CYPRESS STREET, RIVERA DRIVE AND RIO LINDA BOULEVARD**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:**

Alley bounded by Carmel Street and Cypress Street, Rivera Drive and Rio Linda Boulevard. Council District 2.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This report recommends that the City Council approve restriction of traffic through the alley bounded by Carmel Street and Cypress Street, Rivera Drive and Rio Linda Boulevard (Exhibit A), and adopt the attached resolution that makes certain findings of fact required for the restriction of traffic through alleys.

**CONTACT PERSONS:**

**Ronald Perry, Engineering Technician III, 264-8298**  
**Theresa Arnold, Associate Engineer, 264-5514**

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: July 22, 1997**

**SUMMARY:**

Neighborhood groups in Council District 2, the Police Department and Fire Department have requested that the City provide alley restrictions for vehicular traffic and pedestrian movement within the alley, near Rivera Drive. This can be accomplished through City Code, Chapter 38.17.

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**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

None.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The alley bounded by Carmel Street and Cypress Street, Rivera Drive and Rio Linda Boulevard presently has unrestricted access for pedestrians and vehicles. The Police Department has reported that apartments located on both sides of the alley are experiencing crime-related problems (Exhibit B) and they are requesting that the City restrict alley access. Installation of a gate, which connects to fences on each side of the alley will address the problem (Exhibit A). Access to the alley from Rivera Drive or Carmel Street will remain unchanged.

Section 38.17 of the City Code regarding the restriction of traffic through alleys states that the City Council may adopt a resolution authorizing the restriction of vehicular or pedestrian traffic through any alley or alleys pursuant to this chapter by means of gates, barriers, or other control devices, when the City Council finds that such restriction is necessary for the protection or preservation of the public peace, safety, health and welfare.

Memoranda from the Fire Department is on file with the Department of Public Works. Alley and utility maintenance will continue to be provided. The construction of the gate will be administered by the Department of Public Works.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The construction of gates, and necessary signs for restriction of traffic through the alley will be financed by SHRA. The SHRA funding (CDBG Funds) was authorized by a Memorandum of Agreement between SHRA and the City, approved on August 16, 1996.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The Planning Services Division, Environmental Section, has reviewed the project and has determined that this project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under section 15301(c).

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**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Sacramento City Code Chapter 38.17, allowing the restriction of traffic through alleys for the protection or preservation of the public peace, safety, health or welfare was approved by the City Council on June 4, 1996. The alley restriction is consistent with the Council priorities of neighborhood revitalization and safety.

**MBE/WBE:**

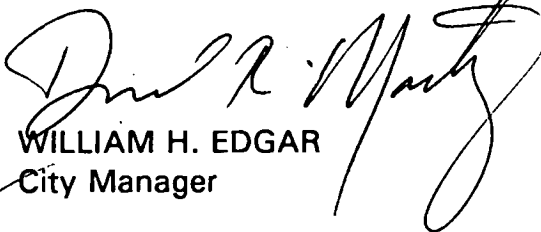
Not applicable as no goods and services are being purchased.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary Alm  
Development Services Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED



WILLIAM H. EDGAR  
City Manager

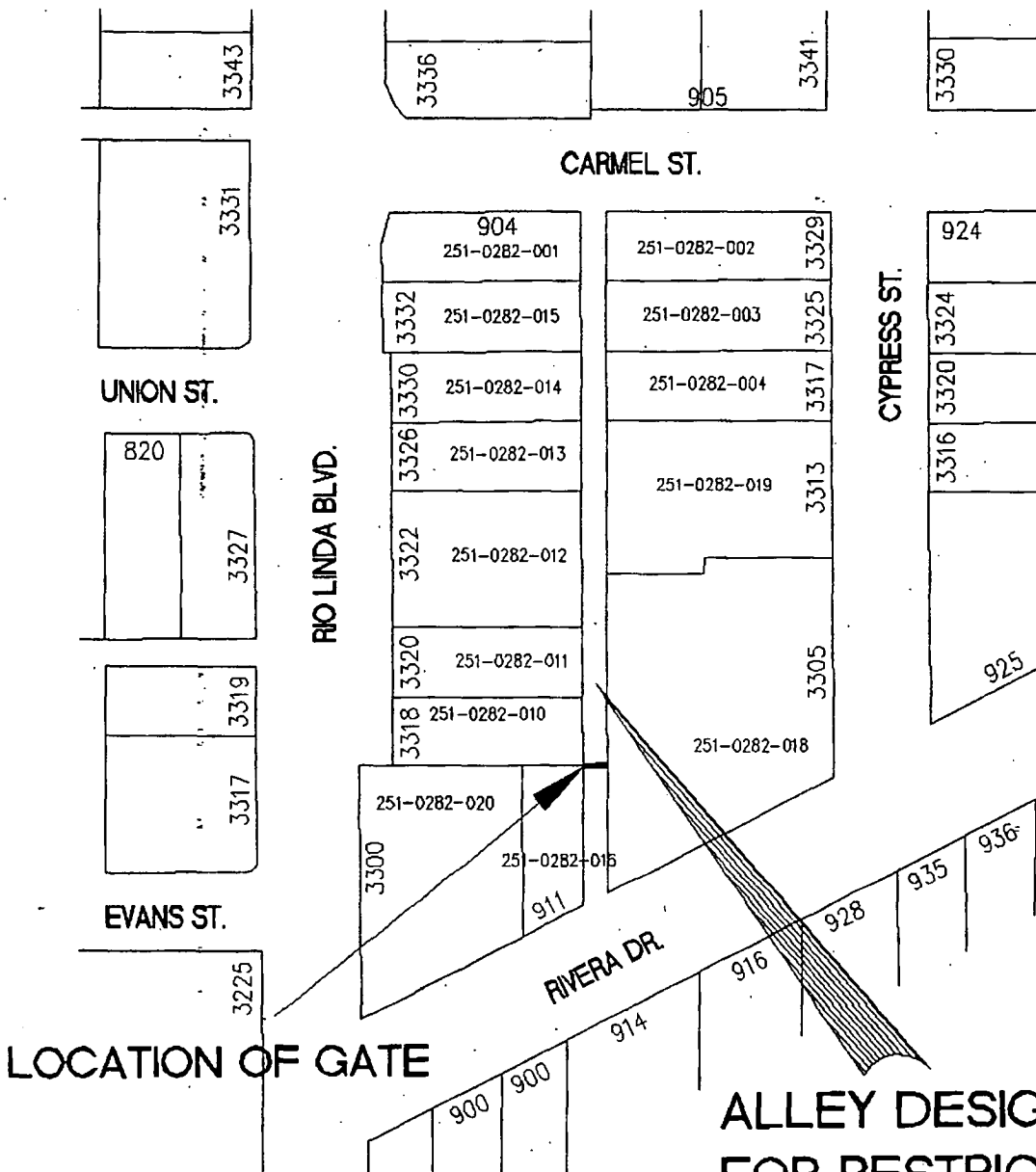
Approved:



Michael Kashiwagi  
Director of Public Works

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# SUBJECT ALLEY (RT97-02)



**ALLEY DESIGNATED  
FOR RESTRICTION OF  
TRAFFIC.**



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DEPARTMENT OF  
POLICE

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Sacramento  
Neighborhood Services Department, Area 3  
4623 T Street  
Sacramento, CA 95819-4743

SUBJECT: TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALLEY BOUNDED BY Carmel St. & Rio  
Linda Blvd., Rivera Dr. & Cypress St.

I have reviewed the material on the subject alley proposed for temporary closure. On behalf of the Police Department, I find that the proposed temporary alley closure suffers from serious and continual criminal activity. Vehicular and pedestrian traffic contributes to this activity. Given the ongoing criminal activity in the area of this alley, I recommend that the proposed temporary closure be implemented. Such action would substantially alleviate the serious and continual criminal activity in the area. Additional comments may follow below.

COMMENTS:

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY IS SPORADIC. I DO AGREE THAT  
THERE IS CONTINUAL VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC  
THAT CONTRIBUTES TO THE ACTIVITY.

SIGNED: SGT. Chet Pabi DATE: 3-25-97

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**RESOLUTION NO. 97-416**

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AND FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING  
THE RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC THROUGH ALLEY  
BOUNDED BY CARMEL STREET AND CYPRESS  
STREET, RIVERA DRIVE AND RIO LINDA  
BOULEVARD**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO FINDS AND RESOLVES AS  
FOLLOWS:**

1. In accordance with Section 21102.1 of the Vehicle Code of the State of California and with Chapter 38.17 of the Sacramento City Code, the City Council hereby approves the restriction of traffic through the alley bounded by Carmel Street and Cypress Street, Rivera Drive and Rio Linda Boulevard, pursuant to conditions of this resolution.
2. To facilitate restriction of traffic through the alley, gates, barriers or other improvements required signs that are approved by the City may be constructed in the public right-of-way at the previously mentioned location.
3. The City Council hereby finds and declares that all the facts, as set forth in this resolution, and as stated in the staff report, police memorandum and other accompanying documents, are true and correct; and that by reason of these findings the aforementioned alley shall have restriction of vehicular and pedestrian traffic through the alley. Duration of restriction is until the City Council finds that such restriction is no longer necessary.
4. The City Council finds and determines that such restriction is necessary for the protection or preservation of the public peace, safety, health or welfare.

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5. The City Council finds and determines that the restriction provides adequate access for the maintenance, operation replacement, removal, or renewal of utilities existing in or accessible through the alleys, for delivery of freight by commercial vehicles for the operation of emergency vehicles, and for the performance of municipal services.
6. The City Council approves the restriction of traffic improvements in the alley if a Fire Department "Knox Box" key operated opening device is installed on all gates.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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