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City Council
Sacramento, California

FROM 10-13-98
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Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: MIDTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PN:TG86) – TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF C AND D STREETS, RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC THROUGH ALLEY BOUNDED BY 27TH, 28TH, D AND E STREETS (RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC PROCEEDING NO. RT98-01) AND PROJECT STATUS REPORT

LOCATION/COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Area bounded by 16th Street, Alhambra Boulevard, C and L Streets. Council District 3.

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution:

- Making certain findings of fact required for the restriction of traffic through the D and E alley between 27th and 28th Streets; and
- Approving the temporary test closure of C Street near Blue Diamond Growers.

CONTACT PERSON:

Ken Grehm, Senior Engineer, 264-7531

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:

October 13, 1998

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RESOLUTION NO.

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ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION AND FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING THE RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC THROUGH ALLEY BOUNDED BY 27TH AND 28TH STREETS AND D AND E STREETS WITHIN COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 ; RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC PROCEEDING NO. RT98-01

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

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 27th and 28th Streets and D and E Streets pursuant to conditions of this resolution.
2. To facilitate restriction of traffic through the alley, gates, barriers, signage or other improvements 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 traffic through the alley. Duration of restriction is until the City Council finds that such restriction is no longer necessary.
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ATTEST:

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SUMMARY:

In addition to providing the Council a project status report, an alley restriction is being requested for an alley prior to completion of the monitoring period. Approval of a temporary closure of C Street (and D Street) is requested to gather information on the possibility of closing C Street permanently, adjacent to Blue Diamond Growers.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION:

None required.

BACKGROUND:

Project Status

Implementation of the final phase of the Midtown Neighborhood Preservation Transportation Plan (NPTP) was completed on July 26, 1998 with installation of 9 half-street closures. Highlights of the project, begun in July 1997, include construction of five new traffic signals, the conversion of G and H Streets from one-way to two-way traffic and installation of over 100 new traffic-calming features, including, half-street closures, traffic circles, intersection portals, pedestrian islands and high visibility crosswalks.

Working with the community, many minor modifications have been or are being implemented. Some modifications that have already occurred have been focused traffic enforcement, placement of additional guide and stop signs and expansion of angled parking. Two notable changes that will occur soon are:

I Street

Moving the traffic circle at 25th and I Streets to 26th and I Streets and then placing stop signs on I Street at 23rd and 25th Streets. This change will help slow down traffic on I Street without significantly affecting traffic patterns.

29th and E Streets Intersection

City staff will modify the signal light at this intersection for westbound motorists to give preference to vehicles turning left onto 29th Street.

We are currently monitoring traffic volumes, speeds, accidents, truck traffic volumes and emergency response times. Most of this information is anticipated to be collected by December 1998 and will be compared to data collected prior to the project in the spring of 1997. In general, traffic volumes have been redistributed throughout the project area. Preliminary indicators suggest that E, G, and H Streets have experienced reductions in traffic volumes while others such as C, D and I Streets have experienced increases. This information will be verified through our monitoring program.

Upon collection of the monitoring data and discussions with our citizens advisory group, we plan to return to Council in February of 1999 to present the data and alternative configurations of half-street closures. Council will be asked at that time to provide direction regarding half-street closures. A more detailed schedule for the project is attached (Exhibit B).

Alley Restriction

The D and E alley between 27th and 28th Streets presently has unrestricted access for vehicles. There has been a significant increase in vehicle traffic on this alley (see Exhibit A), which appears to be related to recent implementation of the half-street closures. Residents are concerned about dust and noise resulting from the additional cut-through traffic. The Police and Fire Departments supports restricting vehicle access by installation of a gate or bollards.

Access to the alley from 27th and 28th Streets will remain, only through traffic will be prevented. Alley and utility maintenance will continue to be provided by the City.

Section 38.17 of the City Code 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, the City may, by means of gates, barriers, or other control devices, restrict an alley when the City Council finds that such restriction is necessary for the protection or preservation of the public peace, safety, health and welfare.

Temporary Test Closure of C Street

Under terms of an agreement with Blue Diamond Growers, the City agreed to explore the possibility of abandoning several streets adjacent to Blue Diamond including C Street. To accurately determine the effects of an abandonment, it is proposed to close these streets temporarily (2-3 weeks) and monitor traffic circulation: C Street between 17th and 19th Streets and 18th Street between C and D Streets. This information would be shared with the community to determine the feasibility of these abandonments as a future requested Council action.

Staff proposes that in conjunction with this test, that half-street closures be temporarily installed on D Street at 19th (eastbound) and 28th (westbound) Streets. These half-street closures would remain as long as the closure on C Street. This proposal is consistent with the staff recommendations presented when the NPTP project was approved in May 1996. The additional half-street closures are intended to mitigate any negative effects the C Street closure may have on D Street residents.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The current budget for the NPTP project is \$2,414,536. As of September 28, 1998, \$118,107 remains unencumbered. The estimated cost of \$2,000 for the gate and other modifications will be paid for by the project. Blue Diamond growers will fund and perform the temporary closures and the associated monitoring.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Neighborhoods, Planning and Development Services Department, Environmental City Section, has reviewed the requested actions. The alley restriction is exempt from the California

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Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301(c).

The temporary C Street closure is addressed in the Negative Declaration approved for the Blue Diamond Growers Development agreement. A permanent closure of C Street would require further environmental analysis.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Sacramento City Code Chapter 38.17, allowing the restriction of traffic through alleys, was approved by the City Council on June 4, 1996. The recommended alley restriction is consistent with the Council priorities of neighborhood revitalization and safety.

MBE/WBE EFFORTS:

None, since no goods or services are procured with this action.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane J. Wray, Manager
Technical Services Division

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

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WILLIAM H. EDGAR
City Manager

Michael Kashiwagi
Director of Public Works

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