



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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PUBLIC HEARING
September 13, 2005

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Temporary Closure: Portion of La Rosa Road Bounded by Del Paso Boulevard, Juliesse Avenue, Academy Way, and Land Avenue.

Location/Council District:

Portion of La Rosa Road bounded by Del Paso Boulevard, Juliesse Avenue, Academy Way and Land Avenue within Council District 3

Recommendation:

Adopt the resolution approving the temporary closure of portion of La Rosa Road bounded by Del Paso Boulevard, Juliesse Avenue, Academy Way and Land Avenue.

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Presenters: Cesar Narvaez II, Engineering Technician

Department: Development Services Department

Division: Development Engineering and Finance

Organization No: 4815

Summary:

Neighboring residents in Council District 3 request that the City temporarily close the subject road. This will stop pedestrian and vehicular traffic that contributes to serious and continual criminal activities through the subject road. Staff's recommendation is to install gates to the entrances of the subject road.

Committee/Commission Action: None

Background Information:

Residents and property owners abutting the subject road informed Neighborhood Services Department that the subject road suffers from serious and continual criminal activities. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic contribute to these criminal activities. The Police Department has documented criminal activities in the area of the subject road

and the Police Department received an average of 6 calls a day in the area of the subject road.

This request is processed under the Problem Alley Abatement Program of the City. The program, which provides for the construction of gates and necessary signs on alleys with crime-related problems, was approved for FY 2005/2006 by City Council and will be funded by the approved Development Services Department, Development Engineering and Finance Division's FY 2005/2006 operating budget. Staff has determined that the request to temporarily close the subject road meets the criteria set forth in the Vehicle Code 21101.4 and City Code 12.16. Installation of gates to the entrances of the subject road will connect fences on each side of the road and will close the road for pedestrian and vehicle traffic (see Attachment A).

The Police Department has documented that the area of the proposed temporary closure suffers from serious and continual criminal activities. The Police Department recommends the temporary closure be implemented to substantially alleviate these activities (see Attachment B).

Verification has been obtained from the Fire Department that the proposed closure will not adversely impact their operation or safety in the surrounding neighborhoods (see Attachment C).

Verification has been obtained from the Department of Transportation that the road closure proposed does not include a through highway or an arterial street. The proposed road closure allows adequate and safe traffic circulation on the adjacent streets (see Attachment D).

The road is proposed for temporary closure, not to exceed eighteen (18) months unless the closure is properly extended. Once approved, the closure may be extended for an additional five (5) consecutive periods of not more than eighteen (18) months each. Prior to each extension, City Council must hold a public hearing.

Noticing to the public regarding the temporary closure through the subject road has been completed prior to City Council meeting in accordance with City Code section 12.16.220.

Financial Considerations:

The Problem Alley Abatement Program and Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) will share the cost for construction of a gate and necessary signs estimated at \$8,176.30. The shared cost will be 50% from the aforementioned program and 50% from SHRA.

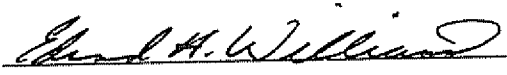
Environmental Considerations:

Development Services Department, Environmental Planning Services Division has reviewed the temporary closure and determined that the activity is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301(f) of the CEQA Guidelines. This project consists of the temporary closure of an existing road by adding gates to the entrances of the alley. This temporary closure involves no expansion of use beyond what currently exists. Access to the road will be given to appropriate departments and agencies.

Policy Considerations:

The installation of gates to the entrances of the subject road is in furtherance of Vehicle Code Section 21101.4 and Sacramento City Code Chapter 12.16 allowing the temporary closure through street or alley. This is consistent with the City's Strategic plan in that it will enhance and preserve the neighborhoods.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None.

Respectfully Submitted by: 

Edward Williams
Manager, Development Engineering and Finance

Recommendation Approved:


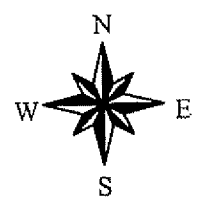
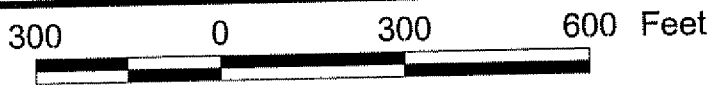
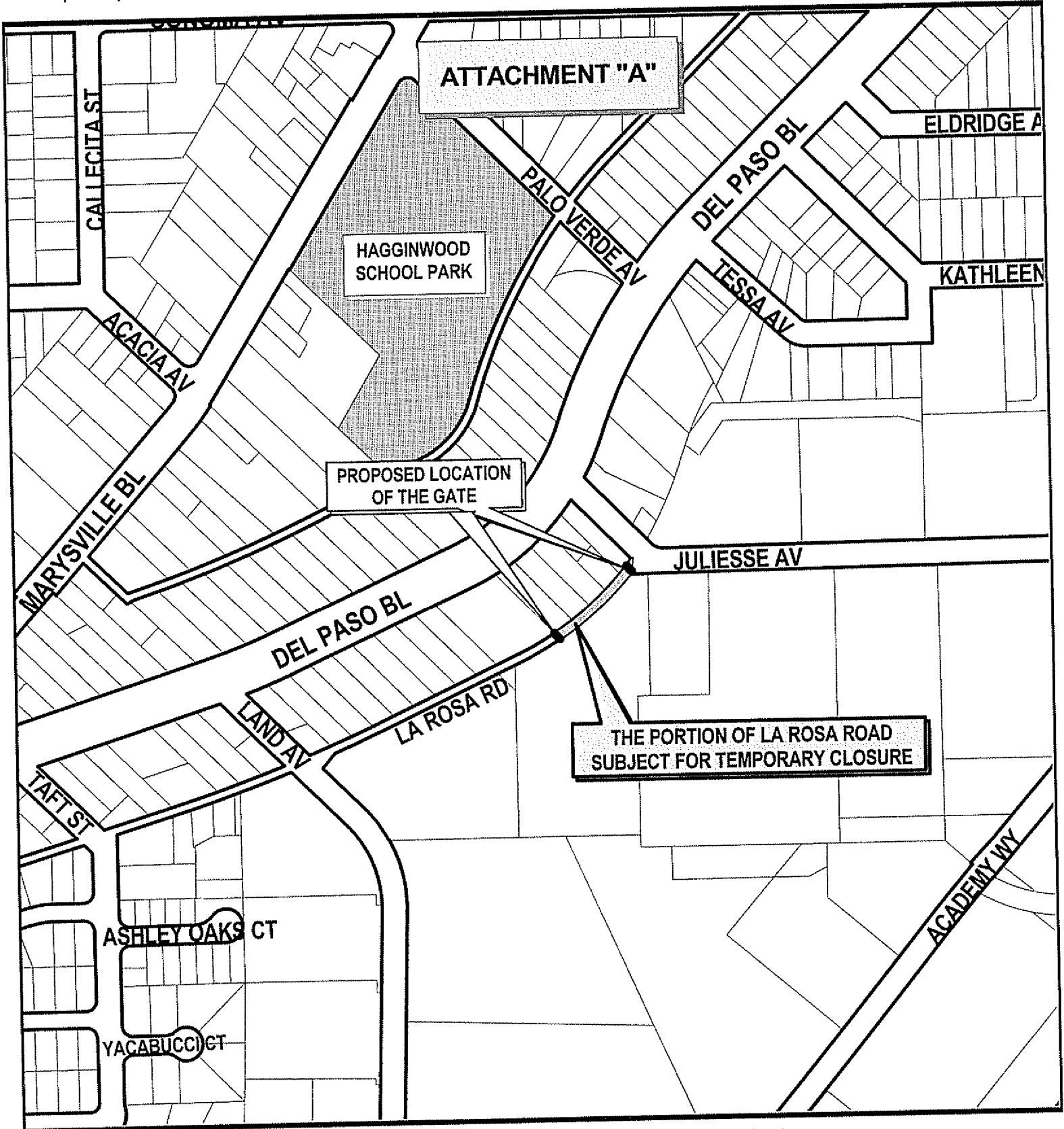

ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE, TSC05-03
 Portion of La Rosa Road bounded by Del Paso
 Boulevard, Julesse Avenue, Academy Way and
 Land Avenue



ATTACHMENT B

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Sacramento
Development Services
1231 I Street, Room 200
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: THE PROPOSED TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PORTION OF LA
ROSA ROAD BETWEEN JULIESSE AVENUE AND LAND AVENUE
IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 (See Attached map)

I have reviewed the material on the subject alley proposed for temporary closure. On behalf of the Police Department, I find that the area of the proposed temporary closure on the subject alley 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 on the alley be implemented. Such action would substantially alleviate the serious and continual criminal activity in the area. Additional comments may follow bellow.

COMMENTS:

THE CALLS FOR POLICE SERVICE AND CRIMES IN THIS AREA
CONSIST OF CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS AND PROPERTY. THE CALLS
AVERAGE 6-10 PER DAY CREATING A DRAIN ON POLICE
RESOURCES.

LT: Shiner #4004
Police Department Signature

08-24-04
Date



ATTACHMENT C

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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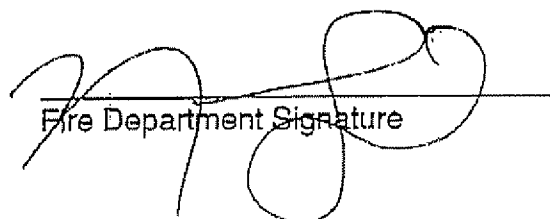
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I have reviewed the material on the subject alley proposed for temporary closure. On behalf of the Department, I find that the proposed temporary closure will not adversely impact the operations of the Sacramento Fire Department. The Fire Department supports this temporary closure. Additional comments may follow below.

COMMENTS:

There are no problems with placing the gates
in the alley-way as long as Knox-locks are
put in place for emergency access


Fire Department Signature

8/20/04
Date



ATTACHMENT D

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

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In reference to the requested temporary closure, I have reviewed the material on the above subject alley. I find the alley is under the City of Sacramento's jurisdiction and the proposed temporary closure does not include an arterial or a through street. It also appears that the restriction will allow adequate traffic circulation on the area. The Department of public works supports this temporary closure on the subject alley. Additional comments may follow below.

COMMENTS:

OK


Traffic Engineering Signature

9/14/04

Date

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PORTION OF LA ROSA ROAD BOUNDED BY DEL PASO BOULEVARD, JULIESSE AVENUE, ACADEMY WAY AND LAND AVENUE WITHI COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

TEMPORARY CLOSURE PROCEEDING NO. TSC05-03

BACKGROUND

- A. The City received a request from the abutting property owners and residents to the subject road to temporarily close the subject road to stop the occurrences of crime related activities.
- B. The Vehicle Code of the State of California Section 21101.4 and the Sacramento City Code Chapter 12.16 authorizes the City Council to temporarily close streets and alleys to prevent occurrences of crime related activities.

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

- Section 1. Based upon substantial evidence present in the record of the proceedings regarding this matter, City Council hereby makes the following findings:
 - a. There are serious and continual criminal activity in the area of the road recommended for temporary closure. This finding is based upon a recommendation of the police department.
 - b. The road recommended for temporary closure is under the City's jurisdiction and has not been designated as a through highway or arterial street.
 - c. Vehicle or pedestrian traffic in the road recommended for temporary closure contributes to the criminal activity that is occurring there.
 - d. The closure will not substantially adversely affect traffic flow, safety on the streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, the operation of emergency vehicles, the performance of municipal or public utility services, or the delivery of freight by commercial vehicles in the area of the road proposed to be temporarily closed.
- Section 2. The Council finds and determines that the temporary closure of the subject road will substantially alleviate the existing serious and continual criminal activity in that road.

Section 3. City Council grants this temporary closure of the road with the following conditions:

- a. A gate security device approved by the Sacramento Fire Department will be installed on the gates.
- b. City departments and utility companies will have twenty-four (24) hour access to their facilities within the road.
- c. In the event that the gate security device requires construction by a private entity for improvements in the public right-of-way, a revocable encroachment permit and an excavation permit must be obtained from the Development Services Department. The revocable encroachment permit is to be issued simultaneously with this resolution. The excavation permit, if required, may be issued subsequent to this resolution, but must be obtained prior to the construction of improvements in the public right-of-way.