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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members In Session:

SUBJECT: ONE-WAY AND TWO-WAY STREET CONVERSION

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: 14th Street between K Street and L Street
Council District 1

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution establishing 14th Street between K Street and L Street as a one-way street northbound and changing the alley bounded by K Street/L Street/14th Street/15th Street to a two-way alley.

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: June 6, 2000

SUMMARY:

14th Street between K Street and L Street was recently approved for angled parking. During major events at the Convention Center, parking is removed from both sides of 14th Street and large trucks queue in three lanes to access the loading docks located on the south side of the Convention Center. Converting 14th Street to one-way northbound and the adjacent alley to two-way (Exhibit A) would enhance circulation and safety. This would provide a better access for the Convention Center and the League of California Cities, who are the primary users of the street.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

None.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At one time, 14th Street between C Street and L Street was a two lane roadway with bicycle lanes along both sides. With the expansion of the Convention Center, 14th Street between J and K Streets was abandoned and became part of the Convention Center. With the expansion, K Street between 14th and 15th Street was changed from a two-way street to a one-way street eastbound. This was done to facilitate the operations of the loading dock located on the north side of K Street. During periods when the Convention Center presents large events, large semi trucks stage along 14th Street and queue in two lines while waiting to use the loading docks. This prevents the tenants and visitors of the League of California Cities, located on the southeast corner of 14th and K Streets, from accessing their site. Compounded with the narrower lanes due to angled parking on the east side of 14th Street, this staging causes operational and safety issues.

City staff has had meetings with the building manager of the League of California Cities, the General Manager of the Convention Center, and the Executive Director of the Downtown Partnership to discuss this situation. After surveying the tenants, it was decided that the best solution would be to change 14th Street from two-way to one-way northbound operations, and allow two-way traffic (currently westbound) into the alley at 14th Street. This would provide a smoother flow of traffic through 14th Street and allow the tenants of the League of California Cities an alternative way to get in and out of their property via the alley.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

No additional City funds are requested.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Neighborhoods, Planning and Development Services Department, Office of Environmental Affairs has reviewed the project and has determined that this project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301-C of the CEQA guidelines.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

This project is consistent with the Council's priorities of Economic Development and Public Safety.

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ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

City Staff will perform all work. There is no ESBD impact related to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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City Traffic Engineer

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

APPROVED:



Michael Kashiwagi
Director of Public Works

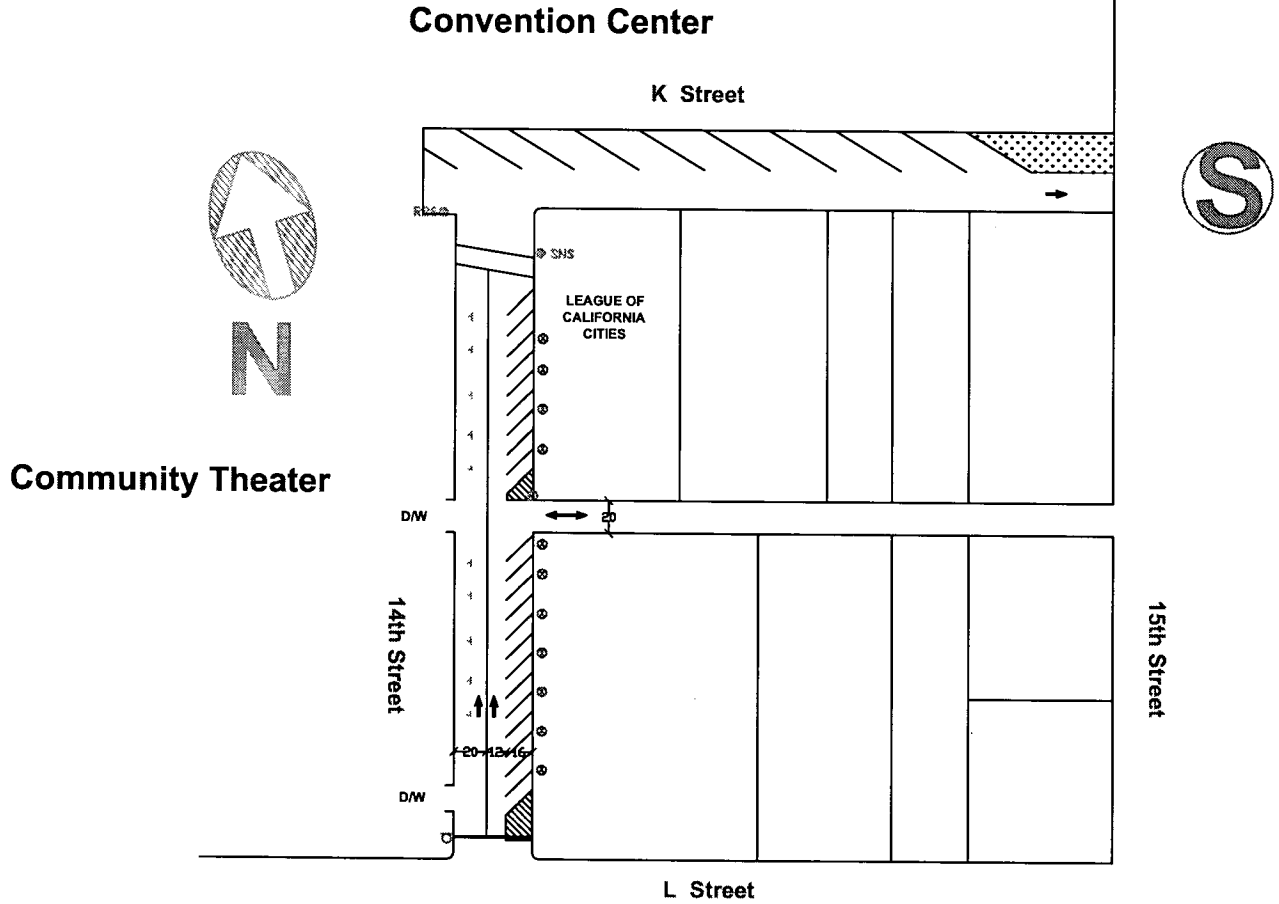


EXHIBIT A

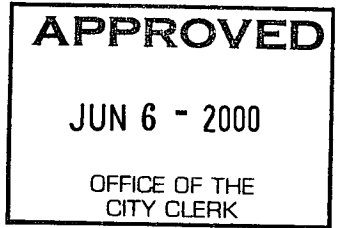
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**14th STREET/K STREET
PROPOSED OPERATIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-287

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____



RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ONE-WAY AND TWO-WAY STREETS

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

- 14TH Street between K and L Street shall be a one-way northbound street.
- The alley bounded by 14th Street/15th Street/K Street/L Street shall be a two-way alley.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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