



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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Department Name: Public Works, Sheriff  
Department No.: 054-032  
For Agenda Of: October 7, 2008  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, #568-3010  
Director(s) Sheriff William F. Brown, #681-4290  
Contact Info: Dacé B. Morgan, Deputy Director, Transportation, #568-3064  
Lieutenant Brian Olmstead, Office of the Sheriff, #681-4108

**SUBJECT:** **Authorization of County Road Commissioner to Order Parking Restrictions, Road Closures and Reconfiguration in Isla Vista during Halloween, Third Supervisorial District**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Authorize the Public Works Director/County Road Commissioner and his designees to order the temporary restriction of parking, and closing or reconfiguration of roads, including but not limited to temporarily restricting roads to "one-way" traffic, as needed for public safety within the Isla Vista community during Halloween activities for the week preceding and the week following Halloween to assist the County Sheriff and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) in maintaining control of traffic and pedestrians.
- B. Make the Waiver effective through 2012

**Summary Text:**

Section 942.5 of the California Streets and Highways Code gives the Board of Supervisors certain authorities with regards to the control and the delegation of control of public streets to provide for the safety and welfare of the public. The referenced code is recited in the Background section which follows.

The traffic control items referenced in the Streets and Highway Code may consist of parking restrictions, pedestrian channelization, road closures or diversions, temporary one-way traffic designations, and other

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measures as determined by law enforcement officials and authorized by the Road Commissioner or his designee. To further inform residents and visitors to Isla Vista, Public Works will place signs as shown on the attached Exhibits "A" and "B" to notify the traveling public of possible temporary road closures. Additional signs will be placed in advance of Mesa Road indicating an alternative route into the University to alleviate impacts to El Colegio Road. Access for residents with proper identification will be maintained.

**Background:**

Isla Vista has historically been a very challenging area for law enforcement during Halloween. The proposed measures are intended to give the Sheriff and CHP the tools needed to control vehicular traffic as well as pedestrian traffic to provide for a safe Halloween weekend and to protect the public and property. Below are the relevant sections of the Streets and Highway Code that pertain to this action.

942.5. The Board of Supervisors may restrict the use of, or close, any county highway whenever the board considers such closing or restriction of use necessary:

- (a) For the protection of the public.
- (b) For the protection of such county highway from damage during storms.
- (c) During construction, improvement or maintenance operations thereon.

No liability shall attach to the county, or to the Board of Supervisors, for the restriction of use, or closing, of any county highway for the above public purposes.

942.6. The Board of Supervisors may delegate the powers contained in Section 942.5 to the County Road Commissioner.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: Road Fund			\$ 3,500.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00

Narrative: Approximately \$3,500 will be required and is available in Department 054/02/04, Program 2220, Org 0200, Account 7121 for sign installation.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

**FTEs:**

**Special Instructions:** Please provide one copy of the stamped, certified minute order document for pick up to the attention of Erin Maker, Public Works Department, Traffic Section #568-8073.

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**Attachments:**

1. Exhibit A – Halloween sign detail
2. Exhibit B – Sign placement map

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**cc:** Lt. Brian Olmstead, IVFP  
Lt. Dane Lobb, CHP SB

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