



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: 8/14/07
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Interim Director, #568-3010
Director

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SUBJECT: Stop Control Resolutions on Queen Anne Lane at Randolph Road; 2nd Supervisorial District, and on California Boulevard at Old Mill Lane; 4th Supervisorial District.

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: No

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors adopt (two) resolutions establishing stop controls on Queen Anne Lane at Randolph Road in the 2nd Supervisorial District and California Boulevard at Old Mill Lane in the 4th Supervisorial District.

Summary Text:

A stop sign is a regulatory roadway sign that gives notice of traffic laws or regulations. Stop signs can improve safety of an intersection by establishing the right-of-way for vehicles entering that intersection. Stop signs are typically installed based on an engineering study that determines whether an intersection meets warrants as specified in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). The MUTCD states that stop signs should not be used for speed control and consideration should be given to reducing the number of vehicles that are required to stop.

Arbitrary installation of stop signs and the resulting citations that are given to motorists can more easily be challenged in court and can increase the County's liability exposure. Additionally, driving a car is a learned behavior. Drivers tend to learn when a stop sign is not warranted and often only slow down and do not stop entirely. This raises the concern that when an occasional pedestrian or vehicle from a cross street enters the intersection it may be unexpected.

Several requests were received from citizens in the Orcutt and Goleta areas addressing safety concerns at the two locations. The citizens have requested stop controls at the two intersections.

An investigation has been performed at these intersections and it is determined that the necessary sight distance does exist and the installation of stop signs would improve the traffic circulation at these locations.

The Department of Public Works , Traffic Section has prepared the attached (two) resolutions establishing stop controls at the following intersections:

- Queen Anne at Randolph Road
- California Boulevard at Old Mill Lane

Background:

This requested action was initiated by Citizen Service Requests in the Orcutt and Goleta areas.

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			\$ 250.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00

Narrative:

Approximately \$250.00 will be required and is available in Department 054/02/04, Program 2200, Org 0008, Account # 7121 for sign installation and painting.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Please provide a copy of the executed documents and minute order for pick up to the attention of Kathleen Dowd, Public Works Department, Traffic Section.

Attachments:

- #1: Two Vicinity Maps
- #2 Two Resolutions

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