

STAFF REPORT



ITEM NO. 13
CITY OF OCEANSIDE

DATE: January 14, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Development Services Department

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ALL-WAY STOP CONTROLS AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF STEPHANIE PLACE AT ROJA STREET AND AT ELAINE AVENUE**

SYNOPSIS

Staff and the Transportation Commission recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution to establish all-way stop controls at the intersections of Stephanie Place at Roja Street and at Elaine Avenue.

BACKGROUND

The City has received requests for all-way stop controls for the intersections of Stephanie Place at Roja Street and at Elaine Avenue (see exhibit A) from two residents of the neighborhood and residents who attended the San Luis Rey Valley Resource Center Neighborhood meetings. Currently, there are yield signs on one leg of each intersection, which have caused some confusion among drivers regarding who has the right-of-way.

ANALYSIS

The intersection of Stephanie Place and Roja Street is a four-leg intersection in the middle of a residential neighborhood. The eastbound and southbound approaches are controlled with stop signs, the westbound approach is controlled with a yield sign, and there is no control for the northbound approach. Approximately 1500 vehicles enter the intersection in a 24-hour time period; approximately 840 vehicles from Stephanie Place and approximately 700 vehicles from Roja Street.

The intersection of Stephanie Place and Elaine Avenue is a three-leg intersection in a residential neighborhood, west of Vandegrift Boulevard. The southbound approach is controlled with a stop sign, the eastbound approach is controlled with a yield sign, and there is no control for the northbound approach. Approximately 1760 vehicles enter the intersection in a 24-hour time period. There are approximately 590 vehicles entering the intersection from Stephanie Place and 1170 vehicles entering from Elaine Avenue.

There has been one reported traffic collision in the last four years at the intersection of Stephanie Place and Roja Street due to a violation of right-of-way. There were no reported traffic collisions at the Stephanie Place and Elaine Avenue intersection in the last four years.

The Stephanie Place and Roja Street intersection has residential and school traffic. There is a school located at the corner of Macario Drive and Monica Circle that is acting as a temporary school location for Del Rio Elementary School. A majority of the northbound vehicles on Elaine Avenue slow down to turn left onto Stephanie Place. Residents have contacted staff with questions regarding right-of-way at intersections with stop and yield signs, as drivers are not clear who has the right-of-way.

Staff reviewed the all-way stop warrant analysis and no warrants were met. However, yield and stop signs at the same intersection are not common practice within the City. The two intersections each have one leg that is not controlled by either a yield sign or stop sign. To help increase uniformity throughout the City and to help assign right-of-way, staff recommends installing an all-way stop for the intersections of Stephanie Place at Roja Street and at Elaine Avenue.

FISCAL IMPACT

Removal of existing yield signs and installation of stops signs will cost \$600 with an increase in annual maintenance of two work hours.

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

At their November 18, 2008, meeting, the Transportation Commission reviewed and approved the proposed stops.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

The referenced documents have been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff and the Transportation Commission recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution to establish all-way stop controls at the intersections of Stephanie Place at Roja Street and at Elaine Avenue.

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Attachment:

- Resolution
- Exhibit "A" (Location Map)

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROLS WITHIN THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

(All-way stop controls on Stephanie Place at Roja Street and at Elaine Avenue)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Oceanside finds the public health, safety, and welfare will be benefited by establishing certain traffic controls on particular streets within the City of Oceanside.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. There are established all-way stop controls at Stephanie Place and Roja Street.

SECTION 2. There are established all-way stop controls at Stephanie Place and Elaine Avenue.

SECTION 3. Staff is directed to effect the foregoing controls as soon as possible.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, California, this _____ day of _____, 2009, by the following vote:

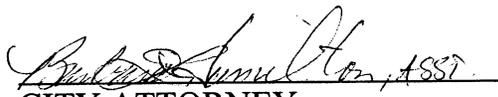
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- NAYS:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAIN:

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

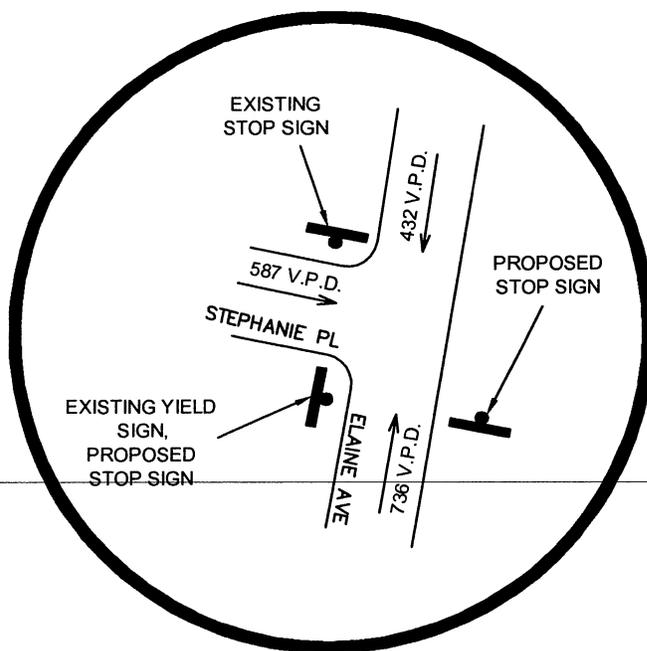
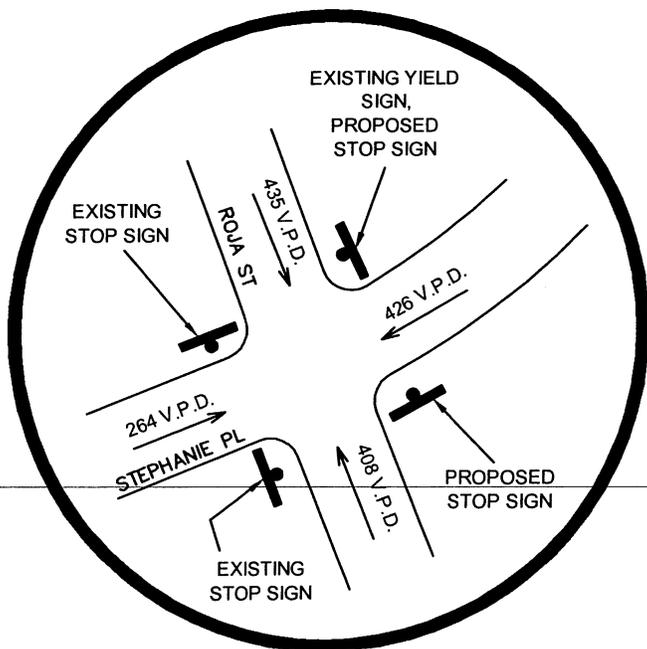
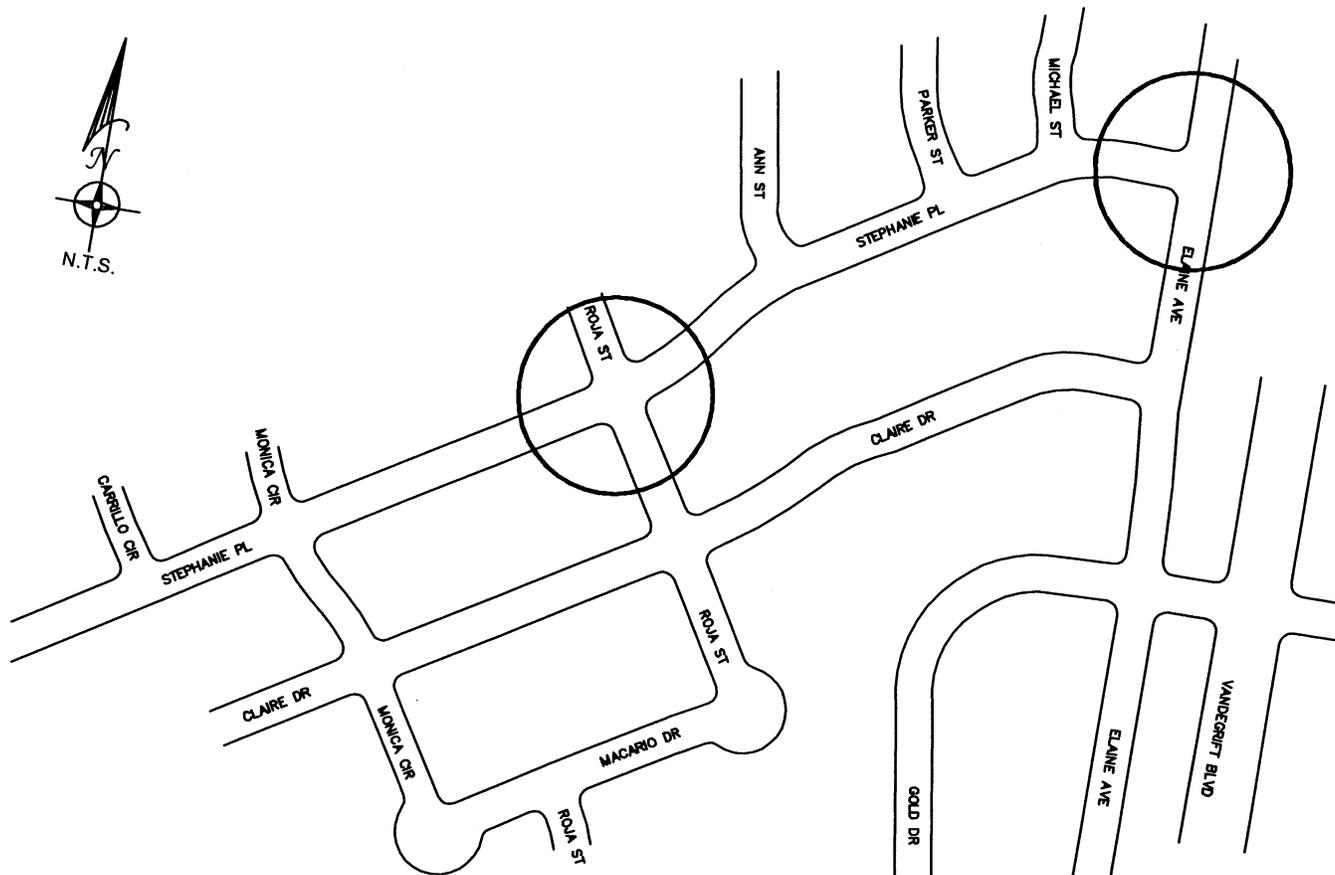
ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY CLERK


CITY ATTORNEY

LOCATION DIAGRAM



PROJECT NAME

STEPHANIE PLACE AT ROJA STREET
AND ELAINE AVENUE

EXHIBIT

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