

# STAFF REPORT



ITEM NO. 8  
CITY OF OCEANSIDE

DATE: September 2, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Development Services Department

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A STOP CONTROL ON ALDEA DRIVE AT CALLE ARQUERO AND PARKING RESTRICTION ON EL MIRLO DRIVE**

## **SYNOPSIS**

Staff and the Transportation Commission recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution establishing a stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero and a no-parking zone from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, on the south side of El Mirlo Drive between Rena Drive and the Bonsall West Elementary School entrance/exit.

## **BACKGROUND**

Bonsall West Elementary School is located in the City of Oceanside and is part of the Bonsall Union School District. The school is located at the eastern end of El Mirlo Drive, within the Sonoma Hills Neighborhood. The City received a request from the Sonoma Hills HOA for the installation of traffic-calming devices in the neighborhood due to traffic problems associated with the school.

## **ANALYSIS**

### Proposed Stop Sign

Aldea Drive intersects Calle Arquero to form a “T” intersection and serves as a school route to Bonsall West Elementary School. There are existing stop signs located on Calle Arquero at this intersection (Refer to Exhibit “A”). The Transportation Engineering Section evaluated the area for traffic-calming, as requested by the Sonoma Hills HOA, but Aldea Drive did not meet the specified requirements. The accident history for the intersection of Calle Arquero and Aldea Drive was reviewed and there have been no reported accidents in the last five years. The Police Department reports only documented injury-accidents or when the vehicle is towed away.

Staff recommends the establishment of a stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero, to be consistent with traffic patterns in the area as well as satisfying the definition for a terminating street as stated in Section 21800 of the California Vehicle Code. The establishment of this stop control would make the intersection an all-way stop.

### Proposed Parking Restriction

Transportation Engineering staff observed traffic congestion at the entrance/exit of Bonsall West Elementary School, which is located at the eastern termination of El Mirlo Drive. Allowing vehicles to park on the south side of El Mirlo Drive between Rena Drive and the entrance/exit contributes to the congestion in the area during the afternoon school pick-up time. The aforementioned parked vehicles inhibit vehicles from turning right into the school parking lot. Only one vehicle lane is able to form at the entrance/exit of the school thereby causing congestion into the neighborhood on El Mirlo Drive and affected side streets.

Staff recommends the establishment of restricted parking on the south side of El Mirlo Drive between Rena Drive and the Bonsall West Elementary School entrance/exit. The parking restriction would be a “No Parking” zone from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday” (Refer to Exhibit “A”). Bonsall West Elementary School supports staff’s recommendation which will improve traffic conditions at the entrance/exit to the campus. Staff contacted the affected property owners who responded that they are willing to work with the aforementioned parking restrictions.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The installation of the proposed stop sign would cost approximately \$100 with an increase in annual maintenance of one work hour. The installation of the proposed parking restriction signs would cost approximately \$100 each with an increase in annual maintenance of one work hour. The proposed parking restrictions would require the installation of two signs.

### **CITY ATTORNEY’S ANALYSIS**

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

### **COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

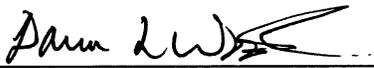
At their June 16, 2009, meeting the Transportation Commission approved the proposed stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero and parking restriction on El Mirlo Drive.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff and the Transportation Commission recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution establishing a stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero and a no-parking zone from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, on the south side of El Mirlo Drive between Rena Drive and the Bonsall West Elementary School entrance/exit.

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SUBMITTED BY:



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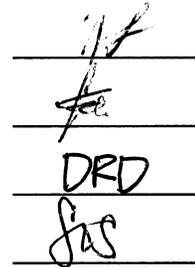
REVIEWED BY:

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David DiPierro, City Traffic Engineer

Scott O. Smith, City Engineer



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

(Stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero and "No Parking from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday" zone on El Mirlo Drive near Bonsall West Elementary School)

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 is established stop control on Aldea Drive at Calle Arquero.

SECTION 2. There is established a "No Parking from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday" zone on the south side of El Mirlo Drive between Rena Drive and the entrance to Bonsall West Elementary School.

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:

- AYES:
- NAYS:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAIN:

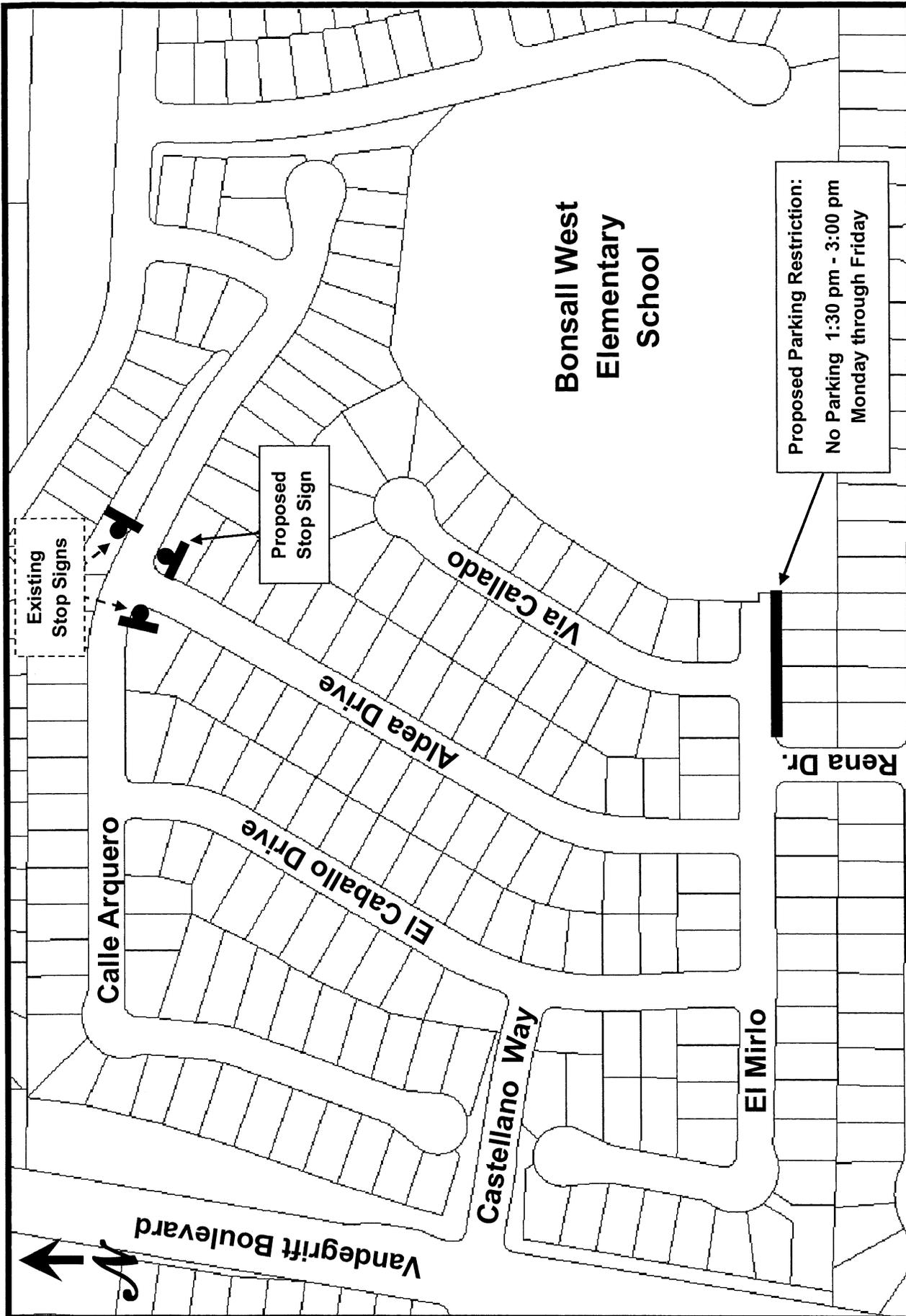
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
CITY ATTORNEY

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK



PROJECT: **ARQUERO AND PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTION ON EL MIRLO DRIVE**

**PROPOSED STOP CONTROL ON ALDEA DRIVE AT CALLE ARQUERO AND PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTION ON EL MIRLO DRIVE**