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AGENDA REPORT**

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Deborah A. Edgerly
FROM: Public Works Agency
DATE: July 13, 2004

**RE: RESOLUTION APPROVING INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS ON: 1)
84th AVENUE AT E STREET; 2) EAST 31ST STREET AT 22ND AVENUE;
AND, 3) GASKILL STREET AT AILEEN STREET**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared approving the installation of stop signs on:

- 84th Avenue at E Street
- East 31st Street at 22nd Avenue
- Gaskill Street at Aileen Street

Section 10.12.010 of the Oakland Municipal Code allows, by resolution, the installation of stop signs based on engineering judgment and practice.

The proposed stop signs are consistent with the following Mayor/City Council goals and citywide objectives:

Make Oakland a Safe City by improving the perception of safety.

Improve Oakland Neighborhoods by improving traffic, bicyclist, and pedestrian safety.

FISCAL IMPACTS

The cost to install the stop signs and related pavement markings at the subject intersections is estimated to be \$2,000. Funds are available in the State Gas Tax Fund (2230), under the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program, Project No. C159610.

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BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division frequently conducts studies at citizens' requests to install stop signs to improve traffic and pedestrian safety. The requests for stop signs at the subject intersections were recommended for the following reasons:

- 84th Avenue at E Street: This three-leg intersection is currently not controlled on any of the approaches. 84th Avenue is the single and minor leg of the intersection. The area is residential and bordered on the south side of E Street by Tassafaronga Park and Recreation Center. 84th Avenue terminates at E Street and approaching vehicles typically must slow and yield to E Street traffic.
- East 31st Street at 22nd Avenue: This four-leg intersection currently has stop signs on the two approaches of 22nd Avenue. East 31st Street and 22nd Avenue are residential streets with equal volumes of vehicle and pedestrian traffic. To improve traffic and pedestrian safety, stop signs will be installed on both East 31st Street approaches.
- Gaskill Street at Aileen Street: This four-leg intersection currently has stop signs on both approaches of Aileen Street. To improve traffic and pedestrian safety, stop signs will be installed on both Gaskill Street approaches.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

Stop signs, when suitably placed, can improve safety by clarifying right-of-way and reducing certain types of collisions at intersections. The proposed stop signs are expected to improve traffic and pedestrian safety at the subject intersections.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Environmental

The stop signs will increase vehicle emissions and fuel consumption. However, these impacts are negligible to the overall operation of each of the street facilities and the adjoining network of streets. Further, the improvement to traffic and pedestrian safety have been determined to outweigh the impacts. Typically, stop sign installation is categorically exempt under Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970.

Economic

There is no direct economic impact from the proposed improvements.

Social Equity

There is no direct impact on social equity from the proposed improvements.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

The proposed stop signs will enhance the safety for disabled and senior citizens crossing the street at the subject intersections.

RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE

Staff recommends approval of the resolution for the installation of stop signs on 84th Avenue at E Street, East 31st Street at 22nd Avenue, and Gaskill Street at Aileen Street.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff requests that the Council approve the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,



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Transportation Engineer

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO
THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:



OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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Resolution No. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____



RESOLUTION APPROVING INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS ON: 1) 84th AVENUE AT E STREET; 2) EAST 31ST STREET AT 22ND AVENUE; AND 3) GASKILL STREET AT AILEEN STREET

WHEREAS, OMC Section 10.12.110 (C) allows, by resolution, the installation of stop signs based on engineering judgment and practice; and

WHEREAS, traffic investigations conducted in response to requests from concerned citizens indicated that the installation of stop signs on 84th Avenue at E Street, on East 31st Street at 22nd Avenue, and on Gaskill Street at Aileen Street will enhance traffic and pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, City staff has determined this action to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 according to Article 19, Section 15301; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the installation of stop signs as described below is hereby approved:

LOCATION OF STOP SIGNS INSTALLATION

- 84th Avenue at E Street: This three-leg intersection is currently not controlled on any approach. A stop sign will be installed on the single approach of 84th Avenue.
- East 31st Street at 22nd Avenue: This four-leg intersection is currently not controlled on any approach. Stop signs will be installed on both approaches of East 31st Street.
- Gaskill Street at Aileen Street: This four-leg intersection currently has stop signs on both approaches of Aileen Street. Stop signs will be installed on both approaches of Gaskill Street.

In Council, Oakland, California, _____, 20__

Passed by the following vote:

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES –
ABSENT –
ABSTENTION –

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ATTEST: _____ JUL 13 2004

CEDA FLOYD
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California