

City of Folsom
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
AGENDA

4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 28, 2016
Public Works Conference Room

ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Roll Call:
Hillman, Kilkenny, Nelson, Pew, Rackovan, Washburn, Wilson
- B. Approve Action Summary From Last Meeting:
April 28, 2016 meeting

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR/GOOD OF THE ORDER

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Neighborhood Issues

1. Barnhill Drive/Blossom Rock Circle Stop Sign Request
2. Bowen Drive/Elsworth Way Stop Sign Request
3. Hazelmere Drive Parking

Project Review

None

Other Business

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED:



MARK RACKOVAN

for: David E. Miller, Public Works & Community Development Director

City of Folsom
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ACTION SUMMARY
 4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 28, 2016
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Meeting called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Chair Pew.

Roll Call:

	Hillman	Kilkenny	Nelson	Pew	Rackovan	Washburn	Wilson
Present	√	√		√	√	√	√
Absent			√				

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR/GOOD OF THE ORDER. Dolly Sood (1146 Kidder Way) suggested that the school zone flashing sign on westbound Blue Ravine should be moved closer to Oak Avenue Parkway, or additional signs should be added.

ACTION SUMMARY – February 25, 2016 action summary was approved without revision.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Historic District All-Way Stop Sign Control at Decatur/Figueroa, Mormon/Wool, Reading/Mormon, Persifer/Wool, Persifer/Decatur and Persifer/Reading intersections. Committee voted unanimously approve all six stop signs, conditional upon no major objections from affected property owners once notified via letter sent by staff.

	Hillman	Kilkenny	Nelson	Pew	Rackovan	Washburn	Wilson
Move							√
Second						√	
Aye	√	√		√	√	√	√
Nay							
Abstain							
Absent			√				

2. Big Valley Road speeding. Committee did not support striping or stop sign measures; staff to coordinate with FPD Traffic on enforcement results. Staff to request resident circulate petition to gauge community support for stop signs or striping.

	Hillman	Kilkenny	Nelson	Pew	Rackovan	Washburn	Wilson
Move	√						
Second					√		
Aye	√	√		√	√	√	√
Nay							
Abstain							
Absent			√				

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – None.

Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

DATE: July 22, 2016
TO: Traffic Safety Committee
FROM: Public Works & Community Development Department
SUBJECT: **BARNHILL DRIVE/BLOSSOM ROCK CIRCLE STOP SIGN
REQUEST**

BACKGROUND

This item was originally on the February 25, 2016 agenda but was continued to a later date to await a written request from the Treehouse HOA, which was received on May 27, 2016 (see attached).

City staff was contacted by Ms. Doris Albus, Treasurer-Secretary of the Outlook at Treehouse HOA, who requested that a four-way stop be installed at the intersection of Barnhill Drive and Blossom Rock Lane in the Treehouse neighborhood. Ms. Albus is concerned about speeding on Barnhill and feels that a stop sign at this location will improve safety; a copy of the email correspondence between staff and Ms. Albus is attached.

ANALYSIS

The intersection is currently two-way stop controlled, with stop signs on the Blossom Rock approaches. Staff has not conducted a speed/volume data collection for this street; traffic volumes appear to be very light, even during the afternoon commute. The collision history is very low at the intersection, and sight distance is very good.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTION

While staff feels that it is unlikely that a stop sign at this intersection will have a significant impact on vehicle speeds along Barnhill Drive, staff is prepared to support the request if the HOA desires to create an all-way stop at this location. Impacts associated with an all-way stop at this location should not have a negative impact on any other residential street.

Mark Rackovan

From: David Miller
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 8:55 AM
To: Mark Rackovan
Subject: Fwd: Treehouse - 2016 request for City Folsom traffic radar device
Attachments: Treehouse - 2016 request for City Folsom traffic radar device.pdf; Rikki Richter - Kocal business card 27 april 2015.pdf

Importance: High

Mark,

Maybe you could call Doris?

David M.

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Smartphone

----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Doris Albus" <balbus199@att.net>
To: "Stan Gisler" <p.gisler@comcast.net>
Cc: "Carl Calvin" <cwcalvin@msn.com>, "Rikki Richter" <Rikki.Richter@managementtrust.com>, "David Miller" <dmiller@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Treehouse - 2016 request for City Folsom traffic radar device
Date: Thu, Feb 11, 2016 8:43 AM

Mr. Gisler, we are again requesting a traffic radar device from the City of Folsom to be placed on Barnhill Drive directly adjacent to the Willow Hill Reservoir Community Park restroom. Device should be placed so that it faces in the direction of Iron Point. Attached map shows direction needed to slow the many speeding cars that enter from Iron Point onto Barnhill Drive and then regain speed as they approach the curve on Barnhill by that restroom. The cars then accelerate again as they approach the intersection of Barnhill Drive and Blossom Rock Lane and many of these cars never stop or slow as they race thru that intersection.

The situation is becoming more and more dangerous. There is only a STOP sign on either side of Blossom Rock but none on the Barnhill Drive side of intersection. I am able to meet you or your assistant when you have us on the schedule for placement of the device; just advise ahead or call me at 916.608.0687.

QUESTION: Who is the City contact for getting STOP signs at that intersection so that we have a 4 WAY STOP; and who would be the City contact for a speed bump on Barnhill Drive adjacent to the Willow Hill Reservoir Community Park restroom building???

This message is copied to Carl Calvin, President of the Hideaway Homes at Treehouse, and to Ms. Rikki Richter who is now the Kocal Management Association Manager for Outlook at Treehouse HOA, Hideaway at Treehouse HOA, and Parkside HOA. Her business card is attached.

May 27, 2016

Mr. Mark Rackovan, Traffic Manager
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, California 95630

Subject: Request for 4 way STOP signage at the intersection of Barnhill Drive and Blossom Rock Lane at the Treehouse community in Folsom

Mr. Rackovan:

The current 2 way STOP signage at the intersection of Barnhill Drive and Blossom Rock Lane at the Treehouse community deters speeding from the Blossom Rock Lane roadway but not from the Barnhill Drive roadway.

Since the completion of the Hideaway Homes at Treehouse and the Outlook Condominiums at Treehouse located adjacent to the intersection, there has been a significant increase in traffic. The completion of the Parkside Homes on Barnhill Drive exacerbated the situation and the number of vehicles speeding through the Barnhill Drive/Blossom Rock Lane intersection has become alarming. Vehicles entering Barnhill Drive from Iron Point Road accelerate as they approach the intersection and continue accelerating as they drive through the area. There have been numerous sudden braking and skidding incidents at the intersection and the Homeowner Associations of Hideaway at Treehouse and Outlook at Treehouse are requesting a 4 way STOP signage.

We have utilized the City's radar device several times as well as noting the speed limit of 25 MPH in each of our Association newsletters, but the speeding through the intersection continues.

The owner of the Hideaway home at this intersection is amenable to a STOP sign being placed in his front yard at the corner; he is also President of the Hideaway Association Board of Directors. The opposite corner is common area of the Hideaway Association; a STOP sign at that location would not encroach on a Hideaway home or Outlook condominium. The Associations will be responsible for maintaining the common areas at this intersection to mitigate any visual

impediments to the STOP signs such as overgrown trees or flyers taped to the signs, etc. so that visibility is clear.

We are requesting guidance from you and can meet you at the intersection in question at time of your convenience. I am the assigned Association Manager for the Hideaway Homes at Treehouse, the Outlook Condominiums at Treehouse, and the Parkside Homes on Barnhill Drive, and have been asked to submit this request to your attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rikki Richter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rikki Richter, CCAM, CMCA | Community Association Manager
The Management Trust
PO BOX 1459 • Folsom, California 95763
P: (916) 985-3633 x138 | F: (916) 248-8050

CITY OF FOLSOM

50 Natoma Street
Folsom, California 95630



Public Works Department
Administration/Engineering

June 1, 2016

Rikki Richter
The Management Trust
PO Box 1459
Folsom, CA 95763

Dear Rikki:

This is to acknowledge that I have received your letter dated May 27, 2016 regarding your request for all-way stop control at the intersection of Barnhill Drive and Blossom Rock Circle.

Please be advised that stop signs are not commonly considered an effective speed control device. Stop signs are normally used to assign right-of-way at intersections where there are infrequent gaps in one street's traffic flow to allow the other street to make safe crossing maneuvers. While most motorists will likely obey the stop sign, the primary speeding offenders are not only less likely to obey the stop sign, creating a potential for right-of-way violations and risk of broadside crashes, they also are prone to speeding up beyond the stop sign to make up any perceived lost time due to the stop sign. This can lead to an expectation of stop sign enforcement from local law enforcement, which often is not available due to more urgent priorities.

That being said, I will make sure that your request is on the next Traffic Safety Committee agenda. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 23rd at 4:00 p.m. here at Folsom City Hall. The meetings are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Rackovan".

Mark A. Rackovan, PE
Traffic Manager
City of Folsom Public Works Department
(916) 351-3370
mrackovan@folsom.ca.us

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

DATE: July 22, 2016
TO: Traffic Safety Committee
FROM: Public Works & Community Development Department
SUBJECT: **BOWEN DRIVE/ELSWORTH WAY STOP SIGN REQUEST**

BACKGROUND

City staff was contacted by Mrs. Susan Johnson to request that all-way stop control be installed at the intersection of Bowen Drive and Elsworth Way. Mrs. Johnson was asked to circulate a petition to support her request, to which she was able to obtain ten signatures, including all property owners adjacent to the intersection (see attached).

ANALYSIS

The intersection is currently two-way stop controlled, with stop signs on the Elsworth Way approaches. Staff performed a preliminary analysis for this street and concluded that traffic volumes appear to be very light, even during the afternoon commute. The collision history is very low at the intersection, and sight distance is very good.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTION

Staff acknowledges that the stop signs do not appear to be warranted on the basis of traffic volume, collision history or sight distance. As this is a residential street intersection, the City's recent practice has been to recommend approval if the request is supported by the majority of the affected property owners, which is the case here.



TRAFFIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENT REQUEST FORM

REQUESTING PERSON(S):

Name: JOHNSON Douglas + Susan
Address: 1702 Bowen Dr

Phone: 916-390-7363
E-Mail: sa29johnson@comcast.net

TRAFFIC SAFETY REQUEST:

Location (intersection, road, etc.): Bowen Dr/ELLSWORTH
Describe Request: Slow traffic on Bowen Dr by 4-way stop. People speed from back on Bowen to get to signal. Also visa versa! No speed signs here either.

The petition below must be completed prior to submitting this form. A minimum of ten signatures is suggested. Each signature must be a resident of the City of Folsom, at least 18 years of age and from separate households in the immediate vicinity of the requested improvement.

Signature	Printed Name	Address	Phone No. (Optional)
	Susan Johnson	1702 Bowen Dr	(see above)
	Douglas Johnson	1702 Bowen Dr	916-337-7279
	Julie A. Shupe	1701 Bowen Dr	95630 (916) 335-0527
	PATRICIA GENERAL	1096 ELSWORTHWAY	916 819-4557
	FABIAN GENERAL	1096 ELSWORTHWAY	916 819-4557
	Antonio Oliver	1694 Bowen Dr	916 983 9933
	Douglas Paul Shupe Jr	1701 Bowen Dr	916 765 0353
	Yun Dai	1691 Bowen Dr	916 378 5008
	Gary Bonar	1706 Bowen Dr	916 532 5820
	James Fambur	1698 Bowen	916-7051912

Thank you for expressing your concern regarding traffic safety. Once we have received this completed survey, the Public Works Department will conduct an analysis of the specified location to determine the need for, and feasibility of, the requested traffic safety improvement. If it is determined that any traffic safety improvements are warranted, Public Works staff will submit a recommendation to the City's Traffic Safety Committee. If approved by this committee, the request may need to be forwarded to City Council for final approval. City staff will contact any persons signing this petition prior to any public meetings regarding this request. For more information contact the Public Works Department at 355-7272.



Susan Johnson <folsom29sue@gmail.com>

Traffic on Bowen Drive - Folsom

3 messages

Susan Johnson <folsom29sue@gmail.com>

Fri, Jun 17, 2016 at 2:17 PM

To: Limin <justgeneit@gmail.com>

Hey there,
Hope you're summer is going well. All is good here.

I just wanted to let you know I've requested from the City of Folsom, stop signs on Bowen Drive to make our corner a 4-way stop. The speed of cars has not gotten any better and the neighbor on the corner moved due to speeding traffic in fear for her son. Hopefully this will be approved based on need and neighborhood signatures. I am requesting that you send back a reply to me agreeing to request the stop signs. I will also request signatures from your renters.

Thanks and tell Juliet hello. Bet the boys are growing so fast!

Doug & Sue Johnson
1702 Bowen Drive
Folsom, CA 95630
916-390-7363

Limin Yu <justgeneit@gmail.com>

Fri, Jun 17, 2016 at 9:02 PM

To: Susan Johnson <folsom29sue@gmail.com>

Sue,

Thank you for doing this. You have my support!

1706 Bowen DR
(owner)

limin

Sent from my iPhone

[Quoted text hidden]

Susan Johnson <folsom29sue@gmail.com>

Fri, Jun 17, 2016 at 9:09 PM

To: Limin Yu <justgeneit@gmail.com>

Thanks take care!

Sent from my iPhone

[Quoted text hidden]

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

DATE: July 22, 2016
TO: Traffic Safety Committee
FROM: Public Works & Community Development Department
SUBJECT: **HAZELMERE DRIVE PARKING**

BACKGROUND

During the July 12th City Council meeting, under the Business from the Floor portion of the agenda, Mr. Ron Ossapapot (119 Hazelmere Drive), addressed the City Council to express his ongoing concern regarding parking along a circular island located directly in front of his driveway. He asked the City to consider posting the island as a No Parking zone so that he can safely back out of his driveway. The Mayor remanded the issue to the Traffic Safety Committee for further discussion and possible action.

ANALYSIS

Mr. Ossapapot had contacted staff regarding this issue in the past, most recently in December 2014. As a result of that request, the City posted No Parking signs on the north and south sides of the island. This action prompted the other property owners in the vicinity of the circle to file a petition to remove the parking restrictions. The signs were subsequently removed and no further contact was made to City staff by any of the involved parties, until just prior to the July 12, 2016 Council meeting, when Mr. Ossapapot contacted staff to renew his concerns and state his intent to address City Council.

There is a 24-foot wide paved area around the island. Therefore when a large vehicle is parked next to the island the remaining pavement width, according to Mr. Ossapapot, is insufficient to enter or exit his driveway. He also cited the poor lighting conditions at night, which make it very difficult to see a parked car when backing out of his driveway. Fire Department access was also brought up, specifically the section of the Fire Code pertaining to the maximum distance that fire apparatus can be from a property in order to protect it from fire. Mr. Ossapapot believes that, when vehicles are parked along the island, fire apparatus is outside the maximum distance defined in the Fire Code

July 10, 2016

Parking and Safety issue at 119 Hazelmere Dr.

- At times cannot get vehicle out of driveway
- Narrowest point in the cul-de-sac, street is 24 ft wide and Hazelmere is 30 ft
- Health issues, if I have to go to emergency room and there is a big truck there, the truck will get hit because I will be in a hurry to get to hospital
- Waste mgmt vehicles cannot get thru at times
- Potential fire issues, what happens if I cannot get my vehicles out

Solution -

Paint a red no parking strip on my side of island

- Vehicles will always be able to get thru
- My safety issues are gone
- You are only taking up 1 parking spot

Ron Osspapot
119 Hazelmere Dr.
916 402-1164

