

AGENDA ITEM NO.

COUNCIL MEETING

APPROVED BY


DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

CITY MANAGER

January 6, 2009

FROM: PATRICK N. WIEMILLER, Director 
Public Works Department

BY: SCOTT L. MOZIER, PE, City Engineer/Assistant Director 
Public Works Department, Engineering Division

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE ACQUISITION OF TWO PUBLIC PEDESTRIAN EASEMENTS FROM JANICE TALANOA AND PAUL TALANOA, ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF EAST HARVEY AVENUE AND NORTH FIFTH STREET (LOCATED IN DISTRICT 7)

KEY RESULT AREA

Public Safety

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Council approve the acquisition of two public pedestrian easements for driveway approaches from Janice Talanoa and Paul Talanoa, on property located at the southwest corner of East Harvey Avenue and North Fifth Street (3480 E. Harvey Avenue) for \$1,000, and authorize the Assistant Public Works Director to sign all documents necessary to complete the transaction.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As a part of the Hidalgo Elementary School Safe Route to School program, the City has constructed sidewalks and driveway approaches along East Harvey Avenue, between North Fourth and North Fifth Streets. There were no sidewalks in this area prior to construction, and Hidalgo Elementary School is located just south of the project area. The sidewalks will encourage students on their way to and from the school to not walk or ride their bicycles in the street.

KEY OBJECTIVE BALANCE

Customer Satisfaction will be achieved by providing sidewalks where none existed, and encouraging school children, as well as other area residents, to not walk in the street. Employee Satisfaction derives from successfully obtaining an easement necessary for public safety, and Financial Management results from acquiring the easements for a relatively modest sum.

BACKGROUND

Established in 1999, the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) program came into effect from the passage and signing of Assembly Bill 1475 (AB 1475). In 2001, Senate Bill 10 (SB 10) was enacted, which extended the program for three additional years. This bill "sunsetting" on January 1, 2005. On September 9, 2004, the Governor signed Senate Bill 1087, extending the program for three additional years.

Section 2333.5 of the Streets and Highway Code calls for Caltrans, in consultation with the California Highway Patrol, to "make grants available to local governmental agencies under the program based upon the results of a statewide competition that requires submission of proposals for funding."

The City successfully applied for these grants to encourage increased walking and bicycling among students. Applications were made for several schools, including Hidalgo Elementary School.

This project was found to be exempt from CEQA review, and a Notice of Exemption was filed with the County Clerk on May 30, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT

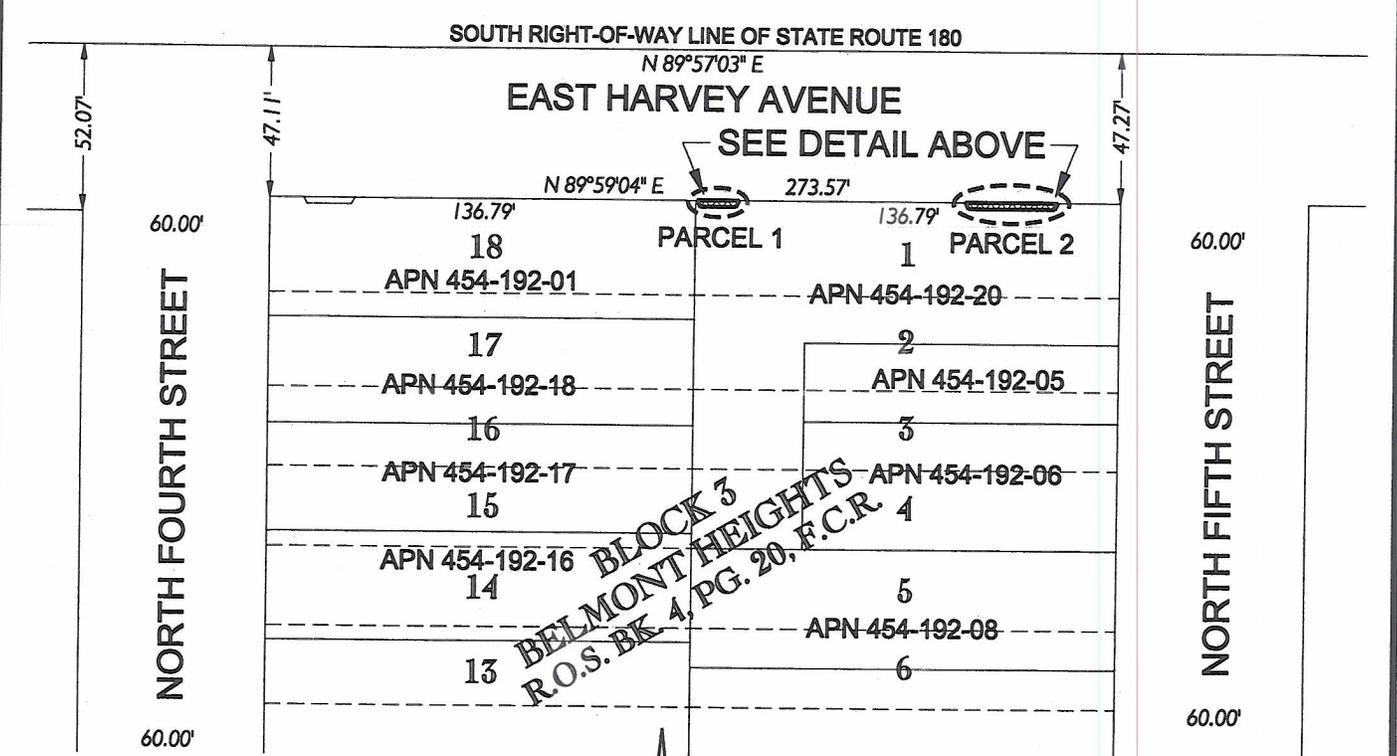
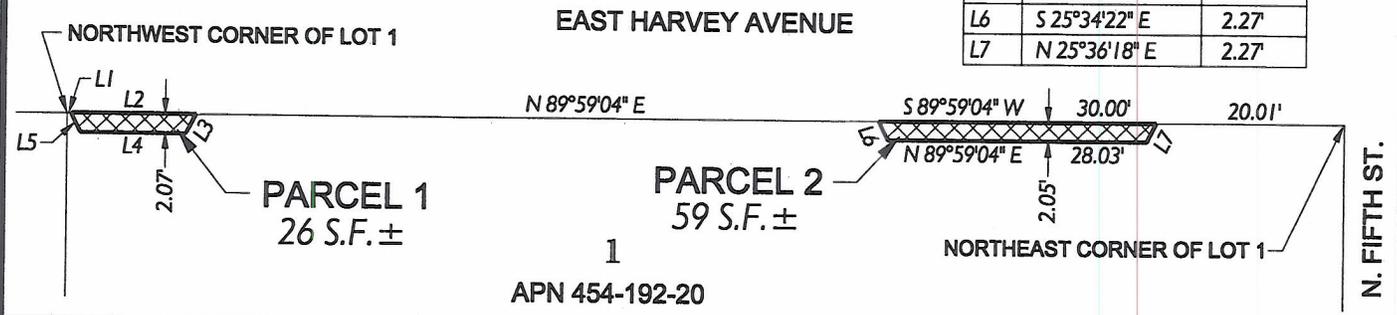
The cost of the Hidalgo Elementary School portion of the Safe Routes to School program is estimated at approximately \$108,000, of which a local match of 10 percent is required of the City. As previously noted, the cost of the easements that are the subject of this report is \$1,000.

EXHIBIT "A"

DETAIL
NO SCALE

LINE TABLE
BEARING LENGTH

LI	BEARING	LENGTH
L1	N 89°59'04" E	0.43'
L2	N 89°59'04" E	13.43'
L3	S 27°16'05" W	2.32'
L4	S 89°59'04" W	11.34'
L5	N 26°31'41" W	2.31'
L6	S 25°34'22" E	2.27'
L7	N 25°36'18" E	2.27'



BLOCK 3
BELMONT HEIGHTS
R.O.S. BK. 4, PG. 20, F.C.R.



 INDICATES AREA TO BE DEDICATED

NO SCALE

REF. & REV. 2007-141 PWF 11228 PLAT 2458	CITY OF FRESNO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	PROJ. ID. <u>PW00445</u> KRA <u>0101001000</u> FUND NO. <u>22048</u> RES TYPE _____ ORG. NO. <u>189901</u>
	PARCEL TO BE DEDICATED TO THE CITY OF FRESNO AS AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR PUBLIC PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY PURPOSES	DR. BY <u>AJ</u> CH. BY <u>DHC</u> DATE <u>SEPT. 28, 2007</u> SCALE <u>NO SCALE</u>

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