



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Amending Traffic Resolution #97-148 Approving Converting Yield Signs to Stop Signs on Orange Avenue at Locust Street

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2001

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

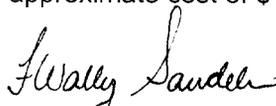
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution amending Section 2 of Traffic Resolution #97-148 by approving the conversion from yield signs to stop signs on Orange Avenue at Locust Street, as shown on **Exhibit A**.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The intersection of Orange Avenue and Locust Street has been studied based on complaints received and accidents occurring at the intersection.

The Public Works Department's guideline related to traffic controls at four-legged minor street intersections is to control the street with less traffic with either yield or stop signs. Where yield signs exist, consideration should be made to converting them to stop signs when there is one or more accidents in a three-year period correctable by conversion to stop signs, and the Safe Approach Study indicates that drivers approaching the yield sign must slow to below ten miles per hour (mph) to see approaching traffic on the cross street. The Safe Approach Study considers the layout of the intersection and any permanent obstacles (i.e., trees or structures) that are in the line of sight of the driver approaching the yield sign. When these obstacles require that the driver approaching the yield sign slow to below ten mph to see approaching cross-street traffic, a stop sign should be considered.

In the past three years, there have been a total of three accidents correctable with the conversion from yield signs to stop signs. Per Public Works guidelines, the Safe Approach Study was performed and the results indicate that, based on the vehicle speeds expected on Locust Street, the safe approach speed on Orange Avenue is below ten mph. Based on these factors, we recommend that City Council approve staff's recommendation to convert the yield signs to stop signs at this intersection.

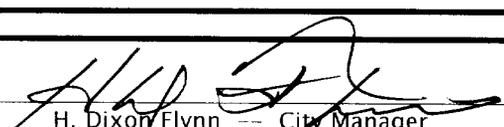
FUNDING: Costs to replace the yield signs and legends with stop signs and legends from the Street Maintenance Account at an approximate cost of \$425.


for Richard C. Prima, Jr.
Public Works Director

Prepared by Rick S. Kiriou, Senior Engineering Technician
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Attachment

cc: City Attorney
Police Chief
City Engineer
Street Superintendent
Senior Traffic Engineer
Concerned citizen

APPROVED: _____


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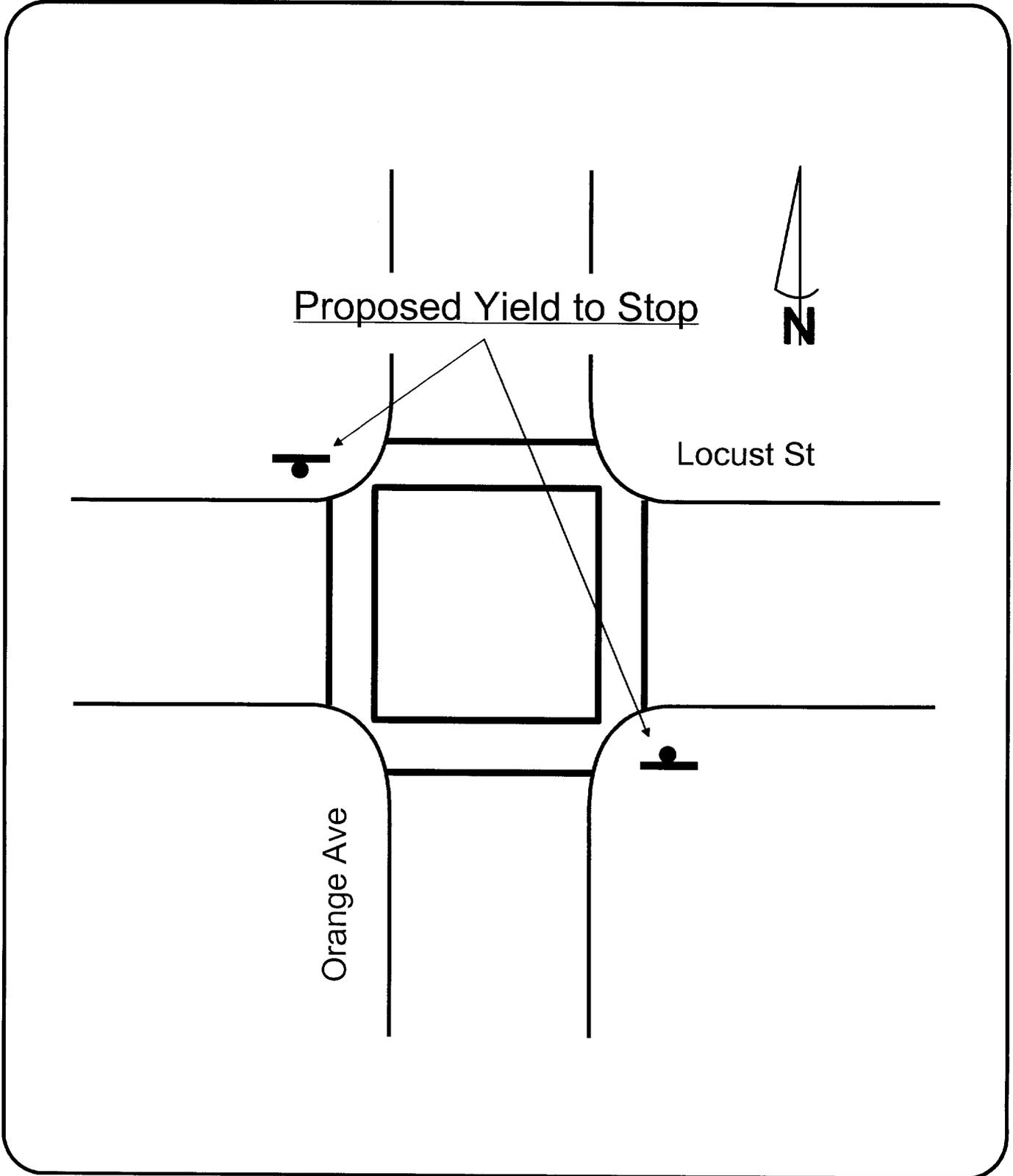


CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Orange Avenue at Locust Street

Proposed Yield to Stop



RESOLUTION NO. 2001-256

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE
CONVERSION FROM YIELD SIGNS TO STOP SIGNS ON
ORANGE AVENUE AT LOCUST STREET, AND THEREBY
AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 97-148, SECTION 2(C)

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WHEREAS, the intersection of Orange Avenue at Locust Street has been studied based on complaints received and accidents reported; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines used by the Public Works Department relating to traffic controls at four-legged minor street intersections is to control the street with less traffic with either yield or stop signs; and

WHEREAS, where yield signs exist, consideration should be made to converting them to stop signs; and

WHEREAS, the results of the safe approach calculations indicate that drivers approaching the yield sign must slow to below ten miles per hour to see approaching traffic on the cross street; and

WHEREAS, the Safe Approach Study considers the layout of the intersection and any permanent obstacles such as trees or structures, that are in the line of sight of the driver approaching the yield sign; and

WHEREAS, when obstacles require that a driver approaching the yield sign slow to below ten miles per hour to see approaching cross-street traffic, a stop sign should be considered; and

WHEREAS, three accidents have occurred at Orange Avenue at Locust Street in the past three years; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City Council approve the conversion from yield signs to stop signs at this intersection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve the conversion from yield signs to stop signs on Orange Avenue at Locust Street; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City of Lodi Traffic Resolution No. 97-148, Section 2(C) "Stop Intersections" is hereby amended by the conversion from yield signs to stop signs on Orange Avenue at Locust Street.

Dated: November 7, 2001

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2001-256 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 7, 2001, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Howard, Land, Pennino and Mayor
Nakanishi

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



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November 1, 2001

Mr. Randy Rosa
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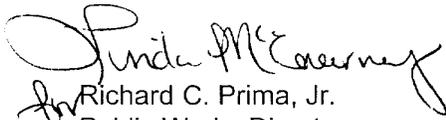
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, November 7, 2001. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the regular calendar for Council discussion. You are welcome to attend.

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If you wish to address the Council at the Council Meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the Council, please contact Susan Blackston, City Clerk, at 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Rick Kiriu at 333-6800, ext. 2668.


for Richard C. Prima, Jr.
Public Works Director

RCP/lm

Enclosure 

cc: City Clerk

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