



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** PUBLIC WORKS

**File #:** 16-818

Board Meeting Date: 12/12/2017

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** James C. Porter, Director of Public Works

**Subject:** Adoption of No Parking During Specified Hours, on Menlo Oaks Drive in Menlo Oaks

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the establishment of a “No Parking During Specified Hours” zone, Monday through Friday, 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M, holidays excluded, on Menlo Oaks Drive from Coleman Avenue to Peninsula Way, in Menlo Oaks.

**BACKGROUND:**

Your Board has adopted similar resolutions designating parking restrictions.

Section 22507 et al. of the California Vehicle Code provides that local authorities may prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking or standing of vehicles by resolution or ordinance.

The Department of Public Works (Department) received a petition from concerned citizens residing on Menlo Oaks Drive for parking restrictions on their street in the Menlo Oaks Area to eliminate parking during specified times of the day to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and mobility.

**DISCUSSION:**

In 2016, Menlo Atherton High School announced plans to construct new facilities at their high school and to increase the student population. Members of the community, concerned about the increase in traffic and safety for the students, petitioned the school district to create a Menlo Atherton Task Force to discuss ways to improve safety around the school. Members of the community, SamTrans, law enforcement agencies, public works agencies, the school, and the school district were represented on the Menlo Atherton Task Force (Task Force). The Task Force identified several areas of concern: bicycle and pedestrian safety, limited transit, limited on-site parking, and increased congestion.

As a result of these findings, the Department has been working with the community and law enforcement to install additional traffic striping, high visibility crosswalks, and improve access by limiting parking during specified hours.

Recently, the community petitioned for additional no parking restrictions to extend along Menlo Oaks Drive as part of the effort to increase safety for bicyclists and pedestrians. The Menlo Oaks Area has no formal sidewalks, so when vehicles are parked on the shoulders of the road, pedestrians are forced to walk in the travel way.

The site has been investigated to determine if additional parking restrictions are warranted. Property owners on adjacent blocks, extending a minimum of 300 feet from the proposed parking zone locations were notified of the date and time of your Board's meeting when these items will be considered. The objections and support received to date are summarized in Attachment "A". Petitions received in Attachment "B" are in favor of the proposed parking restrictions.

The Department recommends adoption of the resolution adding the described parking restrictions at the subject locations based on the recommendations and feedback received from the Task Force, community members, and stakeholders.

The location of parking zones and other traffic restrictions on County-maintained streets are currently shown on maps in the Department of Public Works, and will be made available in list form on maps in the Department's website. The master list will be updated to reflect the recommended changes, if your Board approves the proposed resolution.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this resolution as to form.

Approval of this action contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Livable Community by allowing residents, business owners, and schools to help shape the neighborhood traffic controls in a way that best fits their collective needs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The cost of installing signs and painting parking zone markings varies, but averages approximately \$550 per parking zone. Costs are included in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Adopted Budget. There is no impact to the General Fund.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Proposed Parking Restriction and Public Input Summary
- B. Traffic Control Request Applications