

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 07-1459; FINDING THE CITY TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE 2007 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND ADOPTING THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The purpose of this item is for the City Council to conduct a public hearing and adopt a Resolution of Conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and Local Development Report (LDR), as requested by the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission. The State-mandated Congestion Management Program became effective in 1990 with the approval of Proposition 111. The Los Angeles County Transportation Commission is responsible for preparing and monitoring CMP traffic improvements and implementation measures for cities in Los Angeles County.

The CMP strategies are intended to help local planning agencies address traffic problems in a more comprehensive way. As a multi-modal program, the CMP addresses highway monitoring, transit monitoring, programs to reduce travel demand, programs to analyze the transportation impacts of local land use decisions, and the CMP Countywide Deficiency Plan mitigation strategies.

In order to increase mobility, reduce traffic congestion and roadway deterioration, and establish integrated land use and transportation planning efforts, the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission monitors all incorporated cities' conformance with the Congestion Management Program. If a city is not in conformance with program requirements, eligibility for State and Federal revenues may be revoked and the State Controller may withhold Gas Tax funds, Surface Transportation program funds, and/or Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds until conformance is reached at the reporting period for subsequent years. The City of Agoura Hills currently receives funding from these sources and these funds are used for projects carried out by the City Public Works Department.

This is the fourth year that the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), serving as the Congestion Management Agency for Los Angeles County, requires that local agencies annually report only the total number of new single-family and multi-family dwelling residential units and gross square-footage of new commercial development for which building permits were issued. This reporting period is from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007. Unlike previous years, cities are no

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longer required to report on the credit/debit ratio of traffic mitigation measures versus development activity. Instead, the MTA requires that the City be in compliance with the Congestion Management Program by 1) conducting bi-annual traffic counts, 2) maintaining the use of a transportation demand management ordinance, 3) continuing to implement the land use analysis program through the Environmental Impact Report process, and 4) reporting new development activity by submitting the Local Development Report.

The development activity that occurred during the last year is summarized on page one and itemized on page 2 of the LDR. During the reporting period, the Building and Safety Department issued permits for the construction of four (4) single-family residences, one (1) of which was in the Indian Hills neighborhood and three (3) of which were in Old Agoura. With regard to commercial development, a permit was issued for the construction of a 22,062 square-foot office building on Canwood Street, an 84,409 square-foot office building on Agoura Road and an 116,216 square-foot retail center on Canwood Street.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council conduct a public hearing and adopt a motion to approve Resolution No. 07-1459, finding the City to be in conformance with the 2007 Congestion Management Program, and adopt the Congestion Management Program Local Development Report.

Attachments: Resolution No. 07-1459
 Local Development Report