



City of Santa Barbara
City Administrator's Office

Memorandum

DATE: July 19, 2011

TO: Jim Armstrong, City Administrator

FROM: Councilmember Michael Self
Councilmember Randy Rowse

SUBJECT: Maintenance and protection of City of Santa Barbara, bus, truck, capacity, emergency and evacuation routes.

Pursuant to Council Resolution 05-073 regarding the Conduct of City Council Meetings, we request that an item be placed on the Santa Barbara City Council Agenda regarding maintenance and preservation of bus, truck, capacity, emergency and evacuation routes within the City of Santa Barbara.

• Summary of information to be presented:

We are requesting the City Council consider policies that would preserve the current bus, truck, capacity, emergency and evacuation routes established by the Santa Barbara Fire Department (SBFD), Metropolitan Transit District (MTD), and the City of Santa Barbara Municipal Code.

• Statement of Specific Action:

Recommendation: That Council adopts a Resolution to ensure the safety of the people in the City of Santa Barbara by preserving and maintaining existing emergency evacuation routes and to prevent any obstructions of traffic that might impair the above-mentioned routes, which include but are not limited to bulb-outs, medians, mini-roundabouts and/or restriping of lanes. Remove any proposed or mandated street or curb reconfiguration, and/or lane narrowing by any City Department, Committee or Commission, or any other governmental agency within the jurisdiction of the City of Santa Barbara or as stated within the Capital Improvement Program that would impair the above-mentioned capacity, emergency routes. Medians must be approved by SBFD prior to installation, including but not limited to the Leadbetter Beachway Connection; the narrowing of State Street at Cabrillo Blvd, and the State Street - Alamar Avenue intersection.

Statement of the Reasons Why it is Appropriate and Within the Jurisdiction of the Council to Consider this Subject Matter and to Take the Requested Action:

A Council discussion of this subject is appropriate and within the jurisdiction of the City Council and is necessary for the safety of the community.

We are requesting that this be scheduled for the Tuesday, August 23, 2011, agenda.

cc: Mayor and Council
City Attorney
Community Development Director, Public Works Director