

June 2, 2004

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
June 8, 2004

PROPOSED STOP SIGN ON 8TH PLACE AT OCEAN DRIVE

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize staff to install a stop sign on 8th Place at Ocean Drive

Summary:

Staff has received requests (see attached email) from residents of 8th Place to install stop signs on 8th Place at Ocean Drive. Ocean Drive already has stop signs at this intersection. The street slopes steeply toward PCH from Prospect Avenue and a stop sign would significantly help to slow traffic speeding down the hill. Additionally, there are sight distance problems for traffic entering 8th Place from Ocean Drive and the stop sign on 8th Place will improve safety at this intersection. Sergeant Thompson is also very familiar with the location and recommends approval.

At the May 19, 2004 meeting of the Public Works Commission a public hearing regarding this issue was held. All affected residents were noticed and many attended the meeting. All of those speaking to the issue expressed strong support for installing additional stop signs (see attached excerpts from meeting minutes). The Public Works Commission voted 3 - 1 to support the installation.

Staff concurs with this request, finds that it is in the interest of improving public safety and therefore recommends Council's approval.

Fiscal Impact:

The nominal cost of this installation is easily covered with budgeted Street Maintenance/Traffic Safety funds (001-3104-4309).

Attachments:

1. Residents' Requests
2. Excerpts from PWC Meeting Minutes, 5/19/04

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

Richard D. Morgan, P.E.
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager

Noted for fiscal impact:

Viki Copeland
Finance Director