Council Agenda #4H
Meeting of December 13, 2011

Staff Report

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 4-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF NOTRE DAME AVENUE, FRANCIS AVENUE AND NOTRE DAME ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRIVEWAY

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Summary

Staff is requesting City Council approval to convert a three-way stop located at the intersection of Notre Dame Avenue, Francis Avenue and Notre Dame Elementary School Driveway into a four-way stop.

Background

The Parking and Traffic Safety Committee received requests from the Belmont Police Department and Notre Dame Elementary School to install a stop sign at the Notre Dame School driveway at Notre Dame Avenue to provide safety for motorists and pedestrians.

Discussion

At the November 3, 2011 meeting, the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee (PTSC) discussed this request. The intersection of Notre Dame Avenue, Francis Avenue and Notre Dame Elementary school is a high traffic intersection; however, the majority of traffic is on Notre Dame Avenue, which currently has two stop signs. Drivers on Notre Dame and Francis Avenues must stop for the traffic exiting school driveway, which creates confusion amongst drivers since this four-leg intersection has only three stop signs.

The PTSC determined that the establishment of a four-way stop at this intersection will improve safety for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

General Plan/Vision Statement

The establishment of a no parking zone complies with the Circulation Element of the Belmont General Plan Section 2080 which states the following goal:

- *To accommodate each mode of transportation on a route designed and located to provide for the enjoyment and safety of the individual and to cause minimum interference with adjacent uses of land.*

- *To provide a transportation system consistent with the residential small City character and physical setting of Belmont.*

Fiscal Impact

The City will coordinate installation of appropriate signage with the school. Costs for this installation will be funded from the existing appropriation in the FY 2012 budget, Traffic Operations Account/231-3-751-8430.

Public Contact

1. Posting of City Council agenda.
2. Notices mailed to property owners within a 300-foot radius of the subject intersection.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution establishing a four-way stop at the intersection of Notre Dame Avenue, Francis Avenue and Notre Dame Elementary School Driveway.

Alternatives

1. Take no action.
2. Refer back to staff for further information.

Attachments

A. Resolution
B. Exhibit A

Respectfully submitted,

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RESOLUTION NO. ______

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELMONT APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 4-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF NOTRE DAME AVENUE, FRANCIS AVENUE AND NOTRE DAME ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRIVEWAY

WHEREAS, the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee (PTSC) discussed this request to convert a three-way stop located at the intersection of Notre Dame Avenue, Francis Avenue and Notre Dame Elementary School Driveway into a four-way stop; and,

WHEREAS, it was determined that establishment of a four-way stop at this intersection will improve safety for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians; and,

WHEREAS, the conditions justifying a four-way stop were met; and,

WHEREAS, the cost will be paid from the FY 2012 budget, Traffic Operations Account/231-3-751-8430.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Belmont approves the establishment of a four-way stop at the intersection of Notre Dame Avenue, Francis Avenue and Notre Dame Elementary School Driveway.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Belmont at a regular meeting thereof held on December 13, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS: ____

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS:____

ABSTAIN, COUNCILMEMBERS: ____

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS:____

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CLERK of the City of Belmont

APPROVED:

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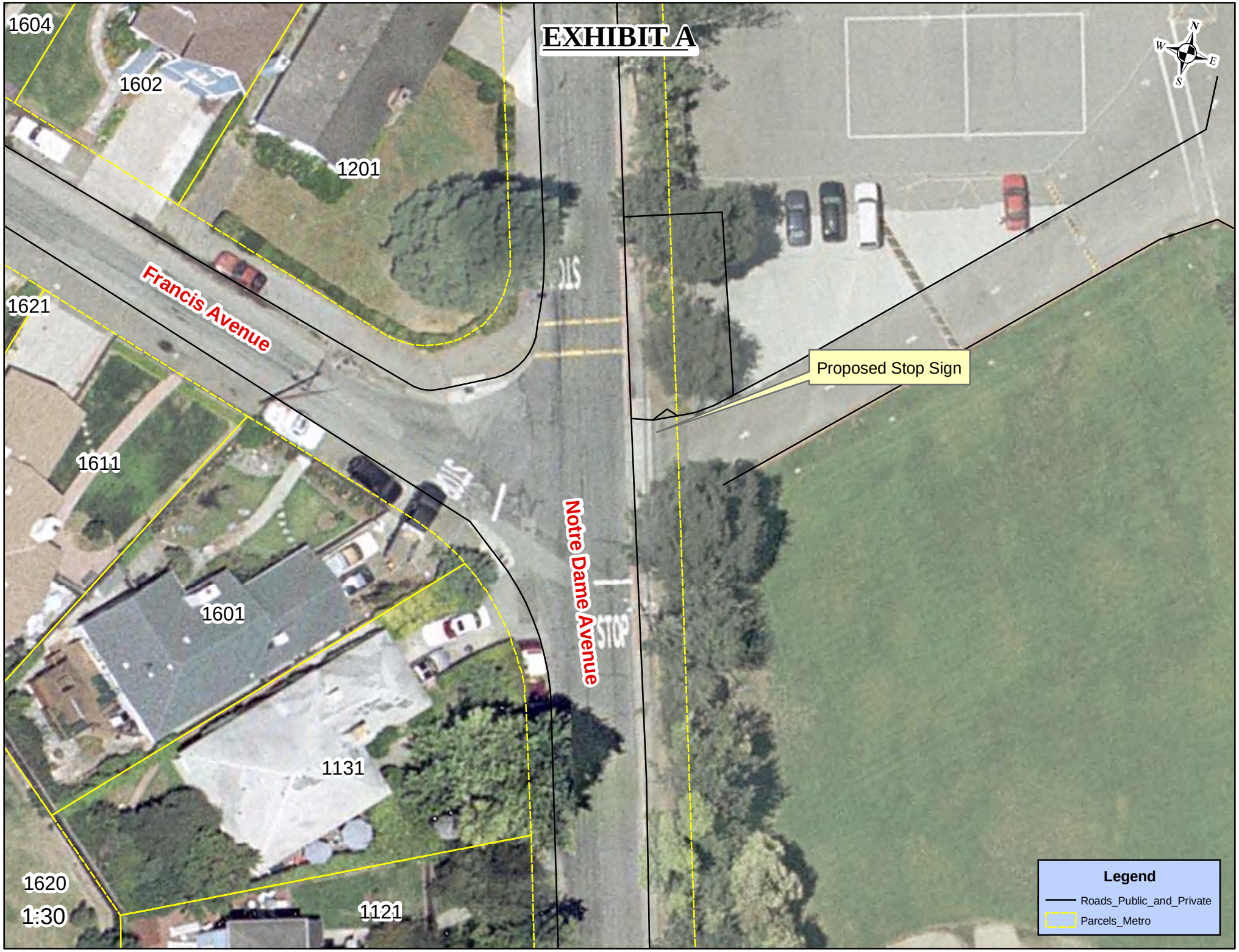
MAYOR of the City of Belmont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