



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 59.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2007

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR: CHARLIE KAJKOWSKI

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action on a request to remove the temporary closure of Rainbow Boulevard at Grand Teton Drive (Ward 4/2005)

Fiscal Impact:

No Impact Augmentation Required
 Budget Funds Available

Amount:
Funding Source:
Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

At the March 27, 2003 public meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission of the City of Las Vegas, the Commission voted to approve the closure of Rainbow Boulevard at Grand Teton Drive for a period of ten years with a required five-year review. The closure was a condition agreed to by the Silverstone developer. Residents in the area have requested that Rainbow Boulevard be re-opened because traffic patterns have changed over the last four years. Saville Middle School has opened on Grand Teton Drive and Torrey Pines Drive and Arbor View High School has opened on Buffalo Drive and Grand Teton Drive, resulting in increased traffic in the area. Re-opening Rainbow Boulevard would help alleviate some of the congestion problems in the area and provide an additional access route for emergency vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION:

Traffic and Parking Commission: Approval
Staff: Approval

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Map

Motion made by STEVEN D. ROSS to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN,
GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None);
(Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

CHARLES KAJKOWSKI, Director of Public Works, gave the history of the previous ten-year closure approved in 2002 paid for by Pulte Homes subject to a five-year review. The closure actually took place in 2004. The Traffic and Parking Commission approved removal of the closure and the matter is now before the Council.

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COUNCILMAN ROSS indicated that he received four letters in protest and thirty in support of the reopening. Circumstances and population in the area have changed with development and the opening of two schools. The family that owns the corner parcel is being cited for dust control as a result of people driving over their land. The City is having to reinstall the barriers each time someone drives over them.

