

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
REQUEST FOR ACTION**

Item No. 08-32

SUBMITTED TO: Chairman Rivera and Members of the Commission
SUBMITTED BY: Travis K. Hopkins, PE, Director of Public Works 
DATE: October 22, 2008
SUBJECT: Relocation of Crosswalk on Magnolia Street and Hyde Park Drive

Statement of Issue: The existing marked crosswalk at the intersection of Magnolia Street and Hyde Park Drive is being recommended for relocation in conjunction with the construction of a traffic signal at Magnolia Street and the Home Depot Driveway. State law requires that the public be notified and provided the opportunity to respond prior to the removal of any marked crosswalk.

Funding Source: The recommended action is developer funded under Conditional Use Permit number 04-56.

Recommended Action: Motion that the Public Works Commission support the staff recommendation to remove/relocate the existing crosswalk at the intersection of Magnolia Street and Hyde Park Drive to the signalized intersection of Magnolia Street and the Home Depot Driveway.

Alternative Action(s): Deny support and recommend an alternate action.

Analysis: As a condition of approval, the Home Depot development at 19101 Magnolia Street is required to install a traffic signal at the main project driveway on Magnolia Street which includes a pedestrian activated crossing indicator and a marked crosswalk. The traffic signal was turned-on September 24, 2008.

Staff recommends that the existing crosswalk on Magnolia Street at Hyde Park Drive be removed to encourage pedestrians to cross Magnolia Street at the signal controlled intersection of Magnolia Street and the Home Depot Driveway.

California law requires a local agency to provide a minimum of 30 days advance notice and an opportunity to be heard by the public prior to removing

an existing marked crosswalk. Municipal Code section 2.111.030 (j) establishes the Public Works Commission as the public body authorized to conduct initial public meetings on this subject (this code section can be reviewed on the City's website under Government/Charter & Codes/Municipal Code). The recommendations from the Public Works Commission can be appealed to the City Council.

As required by California law public notices have been posted at the existing crosswalk since September 15, 2008, identifying the City's intent to remove the crosswalk (Attachment 3). Up to the point of preparation of this agenda item, the City has received one phone call by a citizen in favor of the relocation.

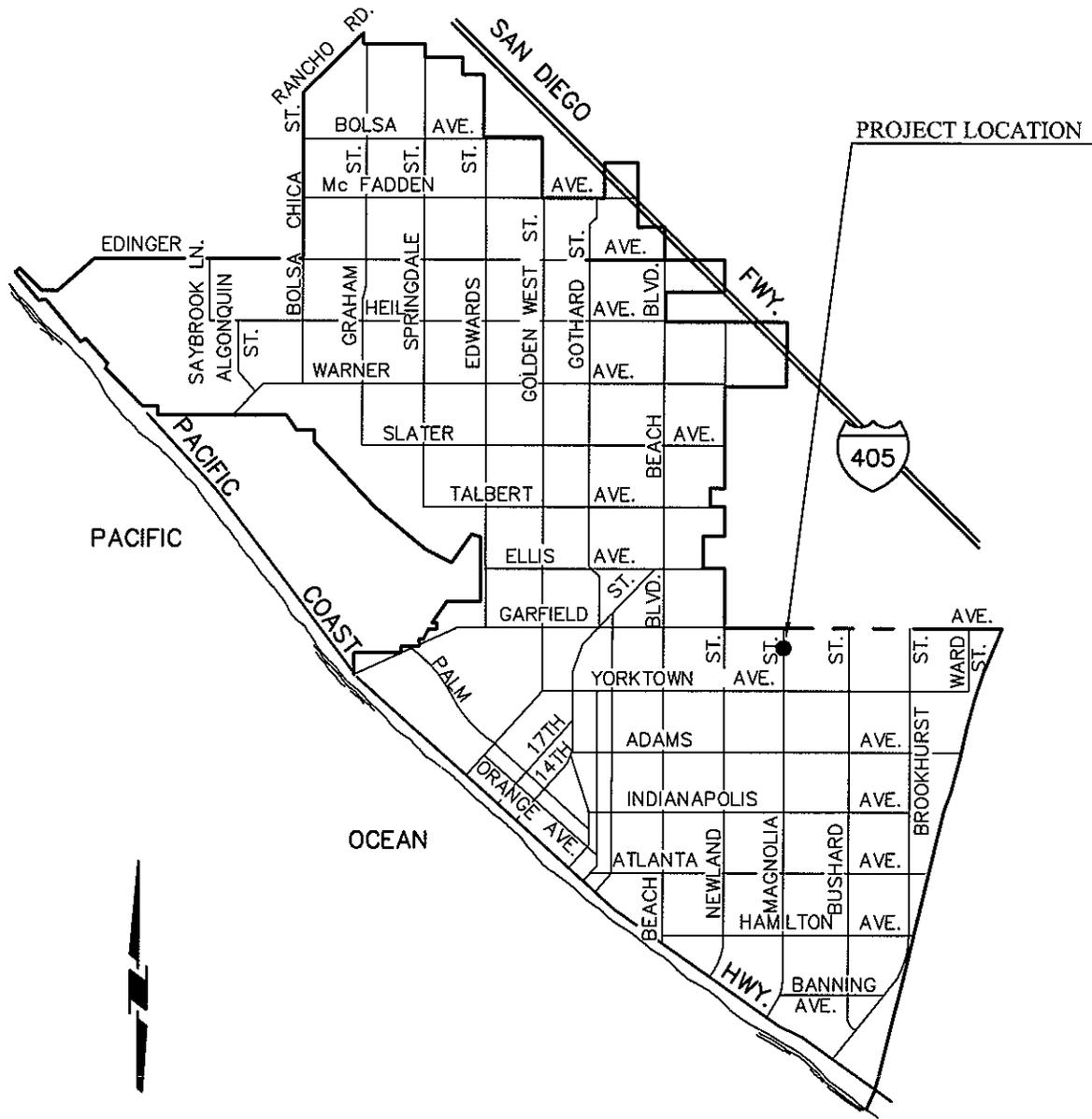
Attachments:

1. Project Location Map
2. Crosswalk Relocation Aerial Photo
3. Public Notification Sign

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ATTACHMENT #1

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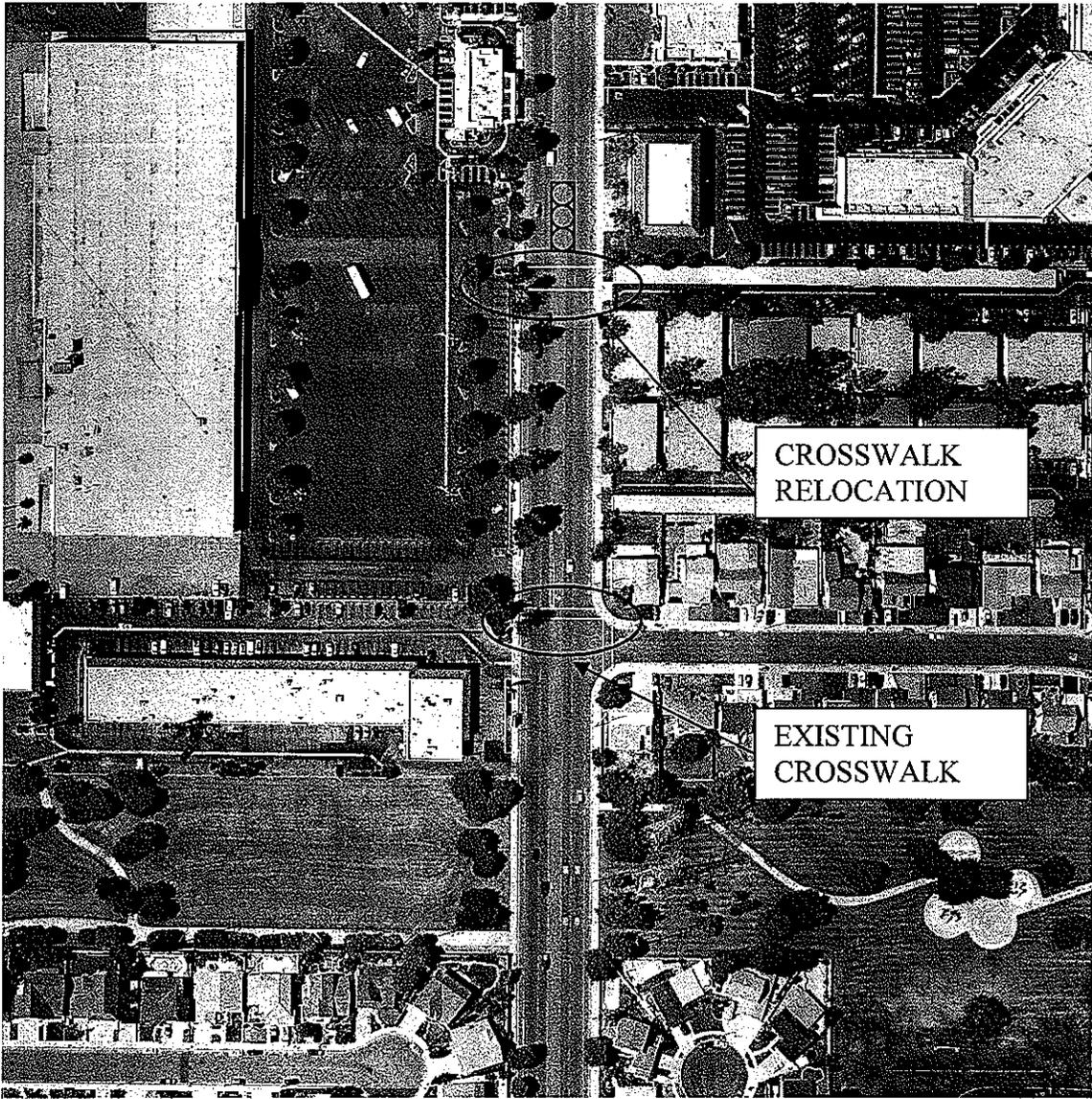


PROJECT LOCATION MAP
CROSSWALK RELOCATION ON MAGNOLIA STREET

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ATTACHMENT #2

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CROSSWALK RELOCATION AERIAL PHOTO

ATTACHMENT #3

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSED MARKED CROSSWALK REMOVAL

The Public Works Commission of the City of Huntington Beach will consider the permanent removal of THIS MARKED CROSSWALK at its October 15, 2008 regular meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California. The public is encouraged to attend this meeting to express their opinions regarding the recommended proposed removal or present their opinions in writing. This crosswalk will be replaced with the installation of a signal at Magnolia and the Home Depot Driveway, approximately 350 feet north of this location.

Written comments may be submitted to:

City of Huntington Beach
Department of Public Works
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

If you have any questions regarding the recommended marked crosswalk removal please call Transportation Engineering at (714) 536-5431

Public Notification Sign

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