

Agenda Report

May 24, 2010

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Department of Public Works

SUBJECT: STREET NAME CHANGE - TITLEY AVENUE TO KINNELOA AVENUE

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Find that the proposed street name change from Titley Avenue to Kinneloa Avenue is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under section 15061(b)(3), general rule that CEQA only applies to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment; and
- 2. Adopt a resolution changing the name of Titley Avenue between Foothill Boulevard and Walnut Street to Kinneloa Avenue.

BACKGROUND:

The street name change from Titley Avenue to Kinneloa Avenue was shown on the Kinneloa Avenue-Walnut Street Extension and Improvement Project plans currently under construction with an anticipated completion date of June 2010. The project provides a direct connection between Foothill Boulevard and the existing portion of Kinneloa Avenue south of Colorado Boulevard, which existed before the construction of the adjacent 210 Freeway. Renaming the street will reduce the likelihood of motorist confusion when traveling on this corridor.

The street name change has been reviewed by the United States Post Office and the Police and Fire Departments, and does not present any operational problems.

Public notices announcing the public hearing were posted along Titley Avenue pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2 of Division 2, Section 970.5 of the California Streets and Highways Code. The public notices were also sent to abutting property owners and posted at City Hall and three public libraries.

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COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The need for the street extension is identified in both the City's General Plan Mobility Element and the East Pasadena Specific Plan as a vital component in improving traffic circulation in East Pasadena.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed street name change from Titley Avenue to Kinneloa Avenue is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under section 15061(b)(3). Section 15061 sets forth the general rule that CEQA only applies to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. No construction is proposed with the project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost to purchase and install the replacement street name signs is estimated at \$1,000. Sufficient funding in the form of Commercial Development Fees is available in the Capital Improvement Program Budget Account 73132 (Kinneloa Avenue – Walnut Street Extensions and Improvements).

Respectfully submitted,

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA CHANGING THE NAME OF TITLEY AVENUE TO KINNELOA AVENUE

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works of the City has determined that the said name change was identified as part of the Walnut/Kinneloa Avenue Extension Project;

WHEREAS, United States Post Office, the Pasadena Police Department, and the Pasadena Fire Department have been notified and have no objection to the street name change; and;

WHEREAS, all businesses fronting Titley Avenue have been notified, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2 of Division 2, Section 970.5 of the California Streets and Highways Code, a public hearing was held to consider the proposed street name change and notice given prior to the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena as follows:

1. That the public street in the City of Pasadena known as "Titley Avenue" from Foothill Boulevard to Walnut Street hereby is changed to and hereafter shall be known as "Kinneloa Avenue".

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pasadena on the

____day of _____, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MARK JOMSKY, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Frank Rhemrev Assistant City Attorney