



Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	10/24/2023
AGENDA SECTION:	Consent Calendar
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 11115 - A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Department to Install All-Way Stop Sign Control at the Intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive
FROM:	Public Works Department

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 11115 - A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Department to Install All-Way Stop Sign Control at the Intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive.

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

The Public Works Department received a request to install an all-way stop sign at the intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive in the Folsom Plan Area. Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive are residential streets with existing stop sign control on the Stone Ridge Drive approaches.

A petition requesting the existing side street two-way stop sign be converted to an all-way stop controlled intersection was circulated by the concerned resident. The petition was returned with signatures from 17 nearby households, including all of the homes directly adjacent to the intersection.

City staff performed multiple visits to the intersection and found that line of sight while traveling westbound on Stone Ranch Drive and looking right onto Gopher Ridge Drive was obstructed due to the curvature in the roadway and the visibility of oncoming vehicles being blocked if a vehicle was parked in the driveway at 3376 Gopher Ridge Drive.

As with most residential intersections, the stop signs are not warranted based on traffic volume, safety, or right-of-way, and the petitioners were advised that the stop signs may not be an effective speed deterrent.

POLICY / RULE

Chapter 10.12 of the Folsom Municipal Code grants the City Council final authority with respect to the placement of new stop signs.

ANALYSIS

This item was considered by the Traffic Safety Committee at its August 24, 2023 meeting, and the Committee voted unanimously for all-way stop control; the minutes from that meeting are attached to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Installation of new signs and markings should not exceed \$6,000 and will be paid out of the Traffic Safety Projects, Project No. 8023, which was included in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Capital Improvement Plan and is funded through Measure A (Fund 276).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This project has been deemed categorically exempt from environmental review.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 11115 - A Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Department to Install All-Way Stop Sign Control at the Intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive
2. Meeting Minutes – Traffic Safety Committee, August 24, 2023
3. Map of Intersection

Submitted,

Mark Rackovan, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Attachment 1

Resolution No. 11115

RESOLUTION NO. 11115

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO
INSTALL ALL-WAY STOP SIGN CONTROL
AT THE INTERSECTION OF
STONE RANCH DRIVE AND GOPHER RIDGE DRIVE/ROCK HEARTH DRIVE**

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department received a request to evaluate traffic safety at the intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive; and

WHEREAS, the intersection is currently side street stop controlled on Stone Ridge Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic Safety Committee reviewed the request at its August 24, 2023 meeting and voted unanimously to recommend all-way stop control once a neighborhood petition had been completed; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are budgeted and available in the Traffic Safety Projects, Project No. 8023, which was included in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Capital Improvement Plan, utilizing the Measure A Fund (Fund 276); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom authorizes the Public Works Department to install all-way stop sign control at the intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Gopher Ridge Drive/Rock Hearth Drive.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of October 2023, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):
NOES: Councilmember(s):
ABSENT: Councilmember(s):
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

Rosario Rodriguez, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

Attachment 2

Meeting Minutes – Traffic Safety Committee
August 24, 2023



CITY OF
FOLSOM
DISTINCTIVE BY NATURE

Traffic Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes

City Council Chambers | 50 Natoma Street, Folsom CA 95630
August 24, 2023
4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bailey called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: S. Bailey, Z. Bosch, J. Brausch, K. Goddard, D. Rojo (subbing for T. Galovich),
M. Washburn (arrived at 4:10 and left at 5:08)

ABSENT: M. McGee

3. MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes of the May 25, 2023, Regular Meeting.

Goddard motioned to accept the minutes.

Bosch seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Bailey, Bosch, Brausch, Goddard, Rojo

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: McGee, Washburn

4. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR/GOOD OF THE ORDER

Bret Wyatt asked that the 4-way stop sign at Iron Point Road and Carpenter Hill Road be a future Traffic Safety Committee item. He asked for tree trimming around the signage at that intersection.

Mike Edwards spoke regarding Vista Del Lago students parking on his street, Caversham Way.

Committee Member Brausch spoke concerning the Scott Road & Riley Street intersection. She also asked if it might be possible and beneficial to have the Police Department provide regular information on accidents that have occurred.

Richard Briebec spoke regarding widening and improving Riley Street from the Sutter Street area to East Natoma Street. He had suggestions for adjusting the timing of lights to facilitate easier traffic flow. He arrived late to the meeting, and this comment was made between items 5a and 5b.

5. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Neighborhood Issues

a. Petition for Tobrurry Way

Public Comments were made by Scott Wilson (he also showed a 3 minute video), Jim Vonderworth, and Mike McShane.

The Traffic Safety Committee recommends that the city install “NO STOPPING 10 PM-6 AM” signs along Tobrurry Way in the areas identified in the staff report. They recommend evaluating this item six months after the signs are installed.

Bosch proposed the motion.

Goddard seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Bailey, Bosch, Brausch, Goddard, Rojo

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: McGee, Washburn

b. All Way Stop Sign request at Stone Ranch Drive and Rock Hearth Drive / Gopher Ridge Drive

The Traffic Safety Committee recommends that the Committee recommend to City Council that the intersection of Stone Ranch Drive and Rock Hearth Drive / Gopher Ridge Drive be converted to an all-way stop sign to accommodate pedestrian access to the nearby trail and address line of sight concerns.

Bosch proposed the motion.

Bailey seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Bailey, Bosch, Brausch, Goddard, Rojo

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: McGee, Washburn

c. Police Department request for Mid-Block Crosswalk from 46 Natoma Street to 11 Natoma Street

The Traffic Safety Committee recommends approving the proposed crosswalk to be designed and installed at the earliest convenience of the Public Works Department. This installation should include maintenance of the trees to improve the line of sight for new signage and the installation of the necessary ADA ramp to allow for ADA access.

Bosch proposed the motion.

Bailey seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Bailey, Bosch, Brausch, Goddard, Rojo

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: McGee, Washburn

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Traffic Safety Committee Action Item Updates

Bosch answered questions asked by committee members regarding the spreadsheet of Traffic Safety Committee Action Item Updates. He said RRFB and radar feedback sign installations are expected approximately six months after approval due to material shortages. This includes the S. Lexington Drive radar feedback signs.

b. Upcoming Traffic Safety Committee Items

Natoma Station Drive at Ashcat Way will be a future agenda item.

Randall Drive traffic calming will be a future agenda item.

Committee Member Brausch suggested improvements to the Montrose Drive intersection between Target and Trader Joe's.

Owl Meadow Street and Carpenter Hill Road Stop Sign Radar Feedback sign will be moved to a better location.

Committee Chair Scott Bailey mentioned meeting with state leaders to discuss the 85th percentile rule for determining speed limits. Further collaborative efforts are ongoing between Committee Member Bosch and the offices of Assemblyman Hoover and Senator Niello.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Attachment 3

Map of Intersection

Proposed All-Way
Stop Sign Location

