



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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August 11, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the conversion of Argonne Avenue between Livingston Drive and Broadway to a one-way street, and request that the City Attorney prepare the required amendment to Section 10.14.020 of the Long Beach Municipal Code adding the following new subsection:

“(Southbound) Argonne Avenue between Livingston Drive and Broadway”
(District 3)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Public Works received a request from the Third City Council District Office to evaluate the conversion of the segment of Argonne Avenue between Livingston Drive and Broadway from its current two-way operation to a one-way traffic southbound operation to prevent shortcutting from The Toledo traffic. The attached map highlights the location of the proposed one-way operation.

An investigation conducted by the Traffic Engineering Division concluded that the conversion of Argonne Avenue between Livingston Drive and Broadway to one-way traffic would enhance safety and alleviate residents' concerns of speed, high volume and unwanted shortcutting traffic. Furthermore, the new one-way configuration would have no significant adverse impacts on traffic circulation in the area or have an impact on the provision of other City services, since all adjacent streets are two-way traffic operated.

The residents on the neighborhood have expressed support of this proposal at neighborhood community meetings and through a petition form supported by 90 percent of the residents in the block of the proposed one-way conversion.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy Burton on July 15, 2009, and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on July 15, 2009.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is not time critical.

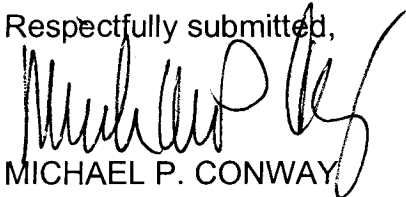
FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of labor and materials for the installation of traffic controls in order to implement the proposed one-way operation is estimated at \$1,000, which will be supported by the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Public Works (PW).

SUGGESTED ACTION:

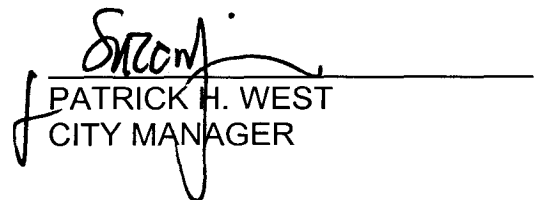
Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



MICHAEL P. CONWAY
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

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Attachments -- Exhibit A -- Map
-- Exhibit B -- Petition

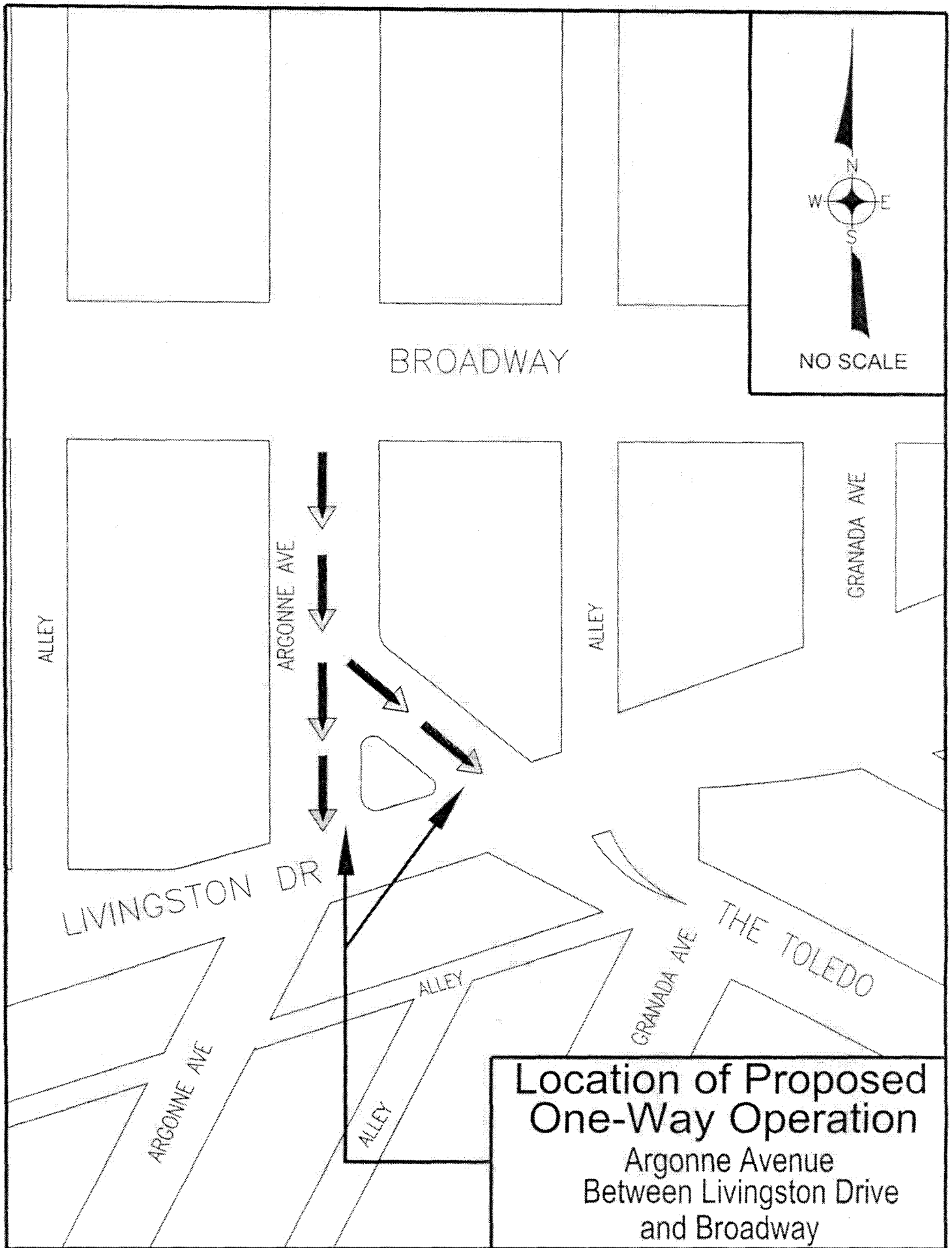


EXHIBIT A

We the undersigned owner/occupant of properties on both sides of Argonne Ave between Livingston Dr. and Broadway request that the City of Long Beach consider installing a one-way southbound traffic operation on our block.

ADDRESS	Support Request?			PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
	(✓) YES	(✓) NO	(✓) NO OPINION			
245 ARGONNE	✓			Kathleen J. Jeter	Kathleen Jeter	6/11/09
247 ARGONNE	✓			Rollan Jenkins	Rollan Jenkins	6/11/09
243 ARGONNE	✓			Paul W. Babcock	P Babcock	6/11/09
241 ARGONNE	✓			Jacquelyn Viale	J Viale	6/11/2009
239 ARGONNE						
237 ARGONNE	✓			Kent Bryant	K Bryant	6/5/09
246 ARGONNE	✓			Ellen Stern	Ellen Stern	6/1/09
244 ARGONNE	✓			Margaret Bowser	Marge Bowser	6/1/09
5000 BROADWAY	✓			LISA WALKER	L Walker	6/1/09
50001 E LIVINGSTON				n/a		
50003 E LIVINGSTON				n/a		
5010 E BROADWAY	✓			MARY LOU WALKER	Mary Lou Walker	6/1/09