

Board Report

File #: ORD 12-015, Version: 1

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors introduce, waive the reading, and set June 26, 2012 at 10:30 a.m., as the date and time to consider adoption of an ordinance amending section 12.16.010 of the Monterey County Code to establish Scenic Road as a one-way highway from the Carmel-By-the-Sea City limit, located 360 feet west of the intersection with Martin Way, to the intersection with Carmelo Street in the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey and repealing a paragraph of section 12.16.010 that designated a portion of Scenic Road as a one-way highway only on July 4 annually.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The County has received multiple public requests for one-way traffic on Scenic Road for public safety because of pedestrian traffic and erosion to the hillside that supports the roadway. On January 25, 2012, a well attended public meeting was held and the proposal to change to one direction was nearly unanimous. A Coastal Administrative Permit to allow the installation of traffic controls to change the relevant portion of Scenic Road to one-way traffic was approved by the County on March 14, 2012.

After a review of the site, the Department of Public Works recommends one-way vehicular movement in a southerly direction from the Carmel-By-The-Sea City limit located, 360 feet west of the intersection with Martin Way, to the intersection with Carmelo Street, to provide safety for pedestrian traffic and to minimize the erosion that is affecting the hillside that supports the roadway. The ordinance amends section 12.16.010 of the Monterey County Code to establish that portion of Scenic Road as one-way and also repeals a provision that designated a portion of Scenic Road as a one-way highway only on July 4 annually.

The City of Carmel intends to similarly change the existing two-way adjacent city portion of Scenic Road to a one-way from the intersection of Santa Lucia Avenue in a southerly direction to the City limit located 360 feet west of the intersection with Martin Way. Attached is a location map that depicts the proposed one-way city and county portions of Scenic Road.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel has approved the ordinance as to form. The California Highway Patrol concurs with this recommendation.

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FINANCING:

There is no financial impact to the General Fund. Traffic control devices are paid from the Road Fund. The cost to install the necessary signing is estimated at \$800.00. There are sufficient appropriations available in the Road Fund (Fund 002, Unit 8195) to finance this work.

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Approved by:

Benny J. Young, RMA Director

Dated: June 1, 2012

Attachments: Ordinance; Location Map; Proposed One-Way Map