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Board Report

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Consider adoption of an ordinance amending Section 12.48.031 of the Monterey County Code to prohibit commercial vehicles exceeding a gross weight of 14,000 pounds at any time on the entire length of Atherton Drive and Mesa Drive in the Carmel area of the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt an ordinance amending Section 12.48.031 of the Monterey County Code to prohibit commercial vehicles exceeding a gross weight of 14,000 pounds at any time on the entire length of Atherton Drive and Mesa Drive in the Carmel area of the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On March 8, 2016, the Board introduced, waived the reading, and set March 22, 2016 to consider adoption of an ordinance amending Section 12.48.031 of the Monterey County Code to establish a restriction prohibiting commercial vehicles exceeding a gross weight of 14,000 pounds at any time on the entire length of Atherton Drive and Mesa Drive in the Carmel area of the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey.

A request was received by Resource Management Agency-Public Works (RMA-PW) to evaluate commercial truck traffic using Atherton Drive in Carmel as a cut through. During the evaluation staff observed commercial trucks using both Atherton Drive and Mesa Drive. Both roads pass through residential neighborhoods and have pedestrian traffic and are not built for the use by commercial vehicles. Both Rio Road and Ocean Avenue are designated truck routes that serve as alternates for commercial vehicles. RMA-PW staff has determined that if Atherton Drive is closed to commercial vehicles there is a good chance that these vehicles would start using Mesa Drive in greater numbers. Staff is therefore recommending the establishment of a prohibition for commercial vehicles on both roads. This restriction would not affect commercial vehicles accessing residences in either of these neighborhoods.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel has approved the ordinance as to form.

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, Subfund TRAF, Unit 8195) to finance this work.

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Approved by: Carl P. Holm, RMA Director

Prepared Date: March 14, 2016

Attachments: Attachment 1 - Ordinance; Attachment 2 - Projection Map; Attachment 3 - Location Map (Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board)