TO: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER
DEPARTMENT: PLANNING AND COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT

DATE: AUGUST 5, 2002

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO INSTALL STOP SIGNS ON ILIMA WAY AND ILIMA COURT AT LAGUNA AVENUE

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution amending the Citywide Stop Intersection Map, approving installation of stop signs on Ilima Way and Ilima Court at Laguna Avenue.

DISCUSSION
The intersection of Laguna Avenue and Ilima Court/Ilima Way is currently uncontrolled. Consequently, the safe operation of the intersection is dependent upon vehicles approaching the intersection from different legs being able to see each other far enough in advance of the intersection to adjust their speed as necessary, to avoid a collision.

Laguna Avenue is defined as a collector street on the Palo Alto street network. Ilima Court and Ilima Way are both local streets, and are, therefore, the “minor” streets at this intersection. Currently, the sight visibility at this location is limited due to landscaping at the corners. Therefore, it is in the interest of safety to install stop signs on Ilima Way and Ilima Court (the minor streets) at Laguna Street in order to assign right-of-way at this location.

The Barron Park Association has been notified about this issue and has agreed that a stop sign is warranted at this location.

RESOURCE IMPACT
Installation of these stop signs and the associated striping will be accomplished within the existing budget of the Public Works Department.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS
The Citywide Stop Intersection System was adopted by City Council several years ago. Consideration of updating the system on a periodic basis is consistent with the Council priority regarding traffic safety.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
Minor operational improvements are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ATTACHMENTS
A. Resolution Amending the Citywide Stop Intersection Map

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