



ABERNATHY DRIVE AND PERTHSHIRE PLACE TEMPORARY CUL-DE-SAC PILOT PROJECT

Public Works Department

Transportation Board Meeting
January 4, 2023

BACKGROUND

- Residents on Perthshire Place raised concerns regarding ongoing impacts to their neighborhood generated by adjacent Sycamore Highlands Park including:
 1. Increased traffic volumes and speeds;
 2. Overflow parking and parking violations within the posted Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ);
 3. Elevated noise levels and late hour noise;
 4. Litter, trash and debris;
 5. After-hours park use; and
 6. Illegal and illicit activities.

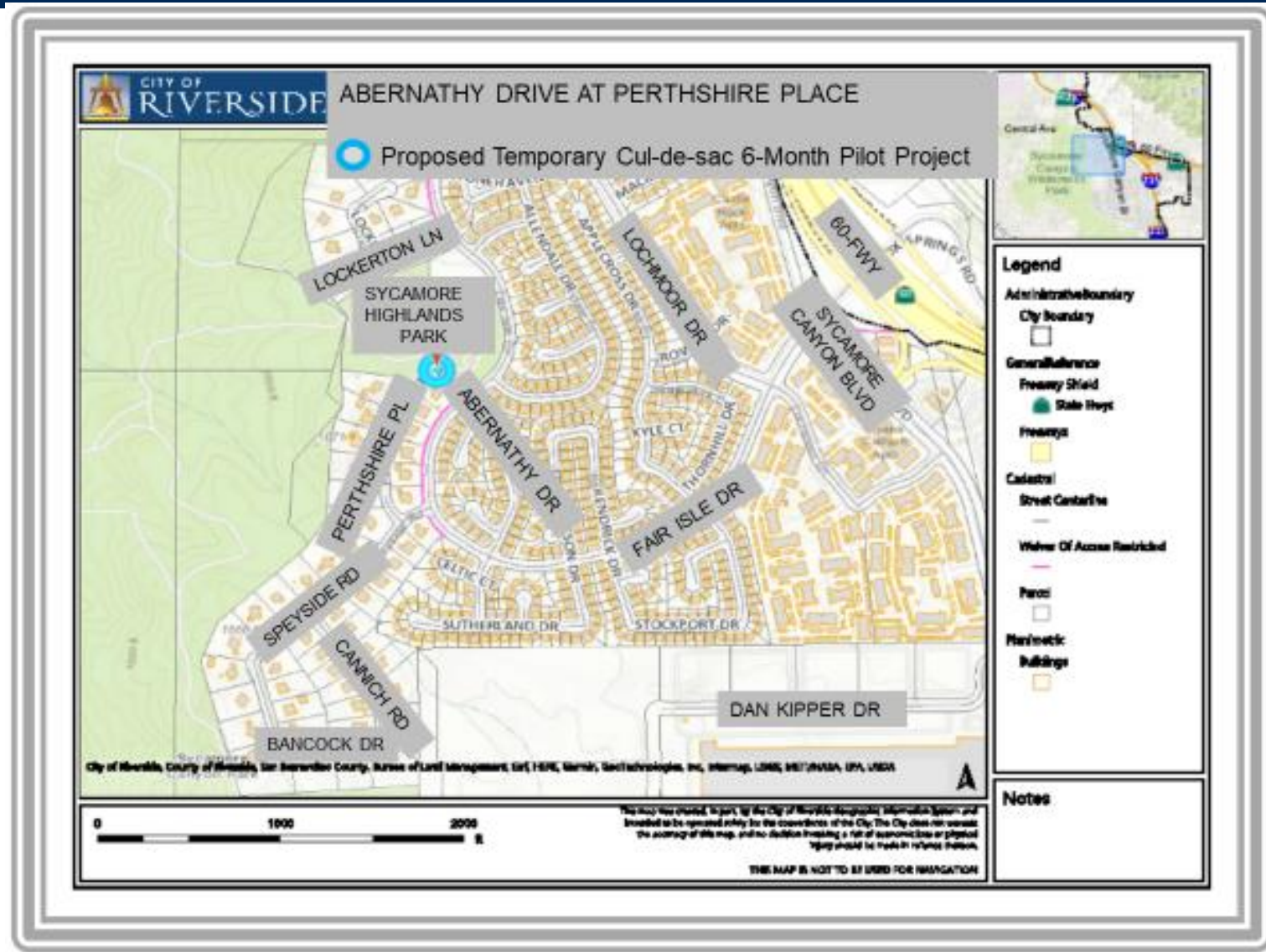
BACKGROUND (CONTINUED)

- Residents have worked with:
- 1. The Public Works Department to implement a Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ) on Perthshire Place to preserve availability of on-street parking for residents and their guests;
- 2. The Parking Services Division and Riverside Police Department to enforce area parking regulations;
- 3. The Riverside Police Department to address illegal and illicit activity and after-hours park use; and
- 4. Ward 2 City Council's Office to discuss community concerns and explore solutions.

BACKGROUND (CONTINUED)

- Residents indicate that Sycamore Highlands Park:
 1. Was designed for local walking community use;
 2. Is not equipped with a parking lot requiring on-street patron parking;
 3. Has experienced an increase in use by patrons from outside of the local community; and
 4. Is negatively impacting the quality of life for neighboring Perthshire Place residents.

VICINITY MAP



POTENTIAL TEMPORARY PILOT PROJECT

- 100% of Perthshire Place residents petitioned the City to implement a temporary cul-de-sac 6-month pilot project on Abernathy Drive at Perthshire Place;
- Residents also requested to close pedestrian access at the sidewalk connection between Perthshire Place and Abernathy Drive to further deter illegal parking and walking to and from the park;
- The Public Works Department supports creative alternatives to mitigate traffic and parking impacts with consideration to overall impacts.



PILOT PROJECT DETAILS



PILOT PROJECT BENEFITS

- Enables use of temporary materials to allow for assessment of effectiveness prior to implementing more costly permanent improvements;
- Allows for residents to experience actual effects;
- Provides resulting traffic and parking data;
- Ensures ample time to obtain public input; and
- Permits emergency and service provider additional assessment prior to considering pilot extension and/or permanent improvements.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS

- Delays in emergency vehicle response times and repositioning during an incident;
- Limits to access require altered routes for emergency and service vehicles and immediate area residents;
- Insufficient turning radius necessitating Fire, Solid Waste, and Street Sweeping vehicles to back-up to exit creating safety concerns;
- Shifting of traffic and/or parking to other area streets;
- Creates need for non-standard quarterly hand street cleaning at an increased associated cost; and
- Results in temporary loss of 6 to 7 on-street parking spaces.

PARKING DATA CONSIDERATIONS

Parking Violation / Citation Type	# of Parking Citations Issued
1.52.140(c) / Zone Permit Required (PPZ)	371
1.52.030(a) / Street Sweeping (11); 1.52.075(a) / Alley Parking (1); & 222052(a) / 18" From Curb (1)	13
1.52.030(b,c,d,e) / Stop/Stand/Park Prohibited	67
Total Parking Citations Issued 11-29-21 to 11-29-22	451

PARKING DATA CONSIDERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Parking Citation Specifics	# of Parking Citations Issued
Citations Issued During Typical Business Hours: (7:30am-5:00pm) Weekdays	96
Citations Issued After Typical Business Hours: (5:00p.m-7:00am) Weekdays and Weekends	355
Citations Issued by Parking Services Division Staff	46
Citations Issued by Riverside Police Department	405

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

List the Strategic Priority and Goal the item aligns with

6.2.

Maintain, protect and improve assets and infrastructure within the City's built environment to ensure and enhance reliability, resiliency, sustainability, and facilitate connectivity.

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability &
Resiliency



Equity



Innovation

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Transportation Board:

- Review and provide recommendation to the Infrastructure & Mobility Committee regarding the proposed temporary cul-de-sac six-month pilot project at the westerly end of Abernathy Drive at its intersection with Perthshire Place.