

**CITY OF LA VISTA
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT
SEPTEMBER 18, 2007 AGENDA**

Subject:	Type:	Submitted By:
DISCUSSION – GILES ROAD & LA VISTA DRIVE	RESOLUTION ORDINANCE ◆ RECEIVE/FILE	JOE SOUCIE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SYNOPSIS

Staff has been reviewing traffic pattern issues along Giles Road adjacent to the Market Pointe development. This item has been placed on the agenda to give the Mayor and Council the opportunity to review ongoing concerns, discuss a proposed solution and have subsequent questions answered.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Reconstruction of the intersection of Giles Road and La Vista Drive to a full access intersection.

BACKGROUND

On March 21, 2006, the City of La Vista entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Papillion concerning the Market Pointe Development at the SE corner of 72nd and Giles Road. This development required roadway and other improvements within or adjacent to the public right-of-ways known as Giles Road, Harrison Street, 66th Street and 72nd Street, portions of which are located in both La Vista and Papillion.

Meetings between the cities of La Vista and Papillion were held regarding traffic concerns raised by the residents of the Ardmore Subdivision. Residents were concerned with traffic cutting through the neighborhood at the intersection of Giles Road and La Vista Drive and wanted to continue to have the option of making a left hand turn when traveling east on Giles Road onto La Vista Drive. What is commonly referred to as a “pork-chop” intersection design was recommended to prohibit traffic exiting Market Pointe from making a left hand turn onto Giles Road or from traveling straight; into the Ardmore subdivision.

Multiple problems have arisen from this design including motorists regularly making illegal left hand turns when north bound out of Market Pointe in order to gain access to west bound Giles Road or 72nd Streets; drivers continuing straight onto La Vista Drive and making U-turns on La Vista Drive and then a right turn back onto west bound Giles Road; and drivers that make a legal right hand turn onto east bound Giles Road are then turning left on 69th Street into the Ardmore Subdivision and making U-turns around the island on 69th Street in order to travel west bound on Giles Road. Additional internal signage within the Market Pointe development has done little to rectify the problems. In addition the La Vista Police Department has written over 150 traffic citations in this area. Continued Police presence has done little to correct driving behaviors.

As a result, staff has discussed these issues with the city engineer and a recommendation to reconstruct a full access intersection at Giles Road and La Vista Drive is being made.



September 6, 2007

RE: Giles Road & La Vista Drive

Dear Property Owner:

This is to inform you that the City Council will be discussing the on-going traffic problems at the intersection of Giles Road & La Vista Drive (Market Pointe entrance) at their regularly scheduled City Council meeting on **Tuesday, September 18, 2007**. The meeting will be at **7:00 p.m.** in the Harold "Andy" Anderson Council Chamber at La Vista City Hall, 8116 Park View Blvd.

You are being notified of this discussion because you are a property owner in the affected area. This item is being placed on the Council agenda to give the Mayor and Council a chance to discuss the possible solutions and have subsequent questions answered by the Public Works Director and City Engineer. There will be an opportunity for public comment.

Sincerely,

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