

Staff Report

Agenda Item No. D-2

To: City of Imperial Planning Commission and Traffic Committee

From: Isabel Alvarez, Administrative Analyst

Date: April 12, 2017

Subject: Request for installation of stop signs at Acapulco Drive and Cabo San Lucas

Avenue for north and south traffic.

Background

Cabo San Lucas Avenue is a residential (local) street that runs north and south connecting Aten Road and Fonzie Avenue within the Paseo Del Sol Subdivision. There are three east/west streets (San Felipe Drive, Mazatlán Drive, and Acapulco Drive) that intersect the 1/3 mile section of Cabo San Lucas Avenue.

Although there are no posted signs, Basic Speed Law states: "No person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of persons or property" (CVC 22350). All other speed limits are called prima facie limits, which are considered by law to be safe and prudent under normal conditions. Certain prima facie limits are established by state law and include the 25 MPH speed limit in business and residential districts and the 25 MPH in school zones when children are present. Residence district speed limits do not need to be posted to be enforceable.

There is a school bus stop at Acapulco Drive and Cross Road. Residents in the area are concerned about cars traveling on Cabo San Lucas at excessive speeds. Residents have requested the installation of a 4-way stop sign on Cabo San Lucas to slow down traffic. The distance between Fonzie Avenue and Aten Road is approximately 1,780 feet.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the installation of a 4-way stop at the intersection of Cabo San Lucas and Mazatlan. The Police Department and Fire Department have reviewed the proposed installation and concur with the recommendation.

(Aerial photo of Cabo San Lucas from Fonzie Avenue to Aten Road)

