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**TORRANCE TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA
OCTOBER 4, 2021
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M. AT WEST ANNEX COMMISSION ROOM
CITY HALL, 3031 TORRANCE BOULEVARD
TORRANCE, CA CALIFORNIA 90503**

**TRAFFIC COMMISSION MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM
LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Commission members Farao, Gibson, Habel, Chair Kosidlak, Obejas, Suruki, Thomas

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. REPORT OF STAFF ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Bl. and on the City's Website on Thursday, September 30, 2021.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Limited to a 30 minute period)

This portion of the meeting is reserved for public comment on items not on the agenda under the subject matter of the Traffic Commission. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, Commissioners cannot act on items raised during public comment but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under this Public Comment period will have no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Please do not use Bluetooth or speaker devices, mute the volume on your television or other electronic devices and speak clearly. Your phone call to the Commission meeting will be recorded as part of the meeting. By staying on the line and making public comment during the meeting, you are agreeing to have your phone call recorded.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed by a Commissioner from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: AUGUST 2, 2021

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (DISCUSSION ITEMS)

7A. Review of Traffic Devices and Capital Improvement Projects

8. COMMISSION AND STAFF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

9. ADJOURNMENT

9A. Adjournment of Traffic Commission Meeting to Monday, November 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TORRANCE TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Torrance Traffic Commission convened in a meeting at 7:02 p.m. on Monday, August 2, 2021 in the West Annex meeting room.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Farao, Gibson, Kosidlak, Obejas, Suruki, and Chairperson Thomas.

Absent: Commissioner Habel.

Also Present: Deputy Public Works Director Finton, Associate Engineer Lotus, and Torrance Police Sergeant Koenig.

MOTION: Commissioner Obejas moved to approve the excused absence of Commissioner Habel for the August 2, 2021 Traffic Commission meeting. Commissioner Suruki seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 6-0 approval (absent Commissioner Habel).

2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Kosidlak led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. REPORT OF STAFF ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Chairperson Thomas reported the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board and City's Website on July 29, 2021.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

Deputy Public Works Director Finton noted typographical errors in Items 7A and 7B and announced that supplemental material was available for Item 7B.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JUNE 7, 2021

MOTION: Commissioner Obejas moved to approve the Traffic Commission meeting minutes of June 7, 2021 as submitted. Commissioner Farao seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 4-0 approval (absent Commissioner Habel, and with Commissioner Gibson and Chairperson Thomas abstaining).

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7A. APPOINTMENT OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Deputy Public Works Director Finton recommended the Commission appoint a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson beginning immediately and ending upon appointment of a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson at the first meeting of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022.

Commissioner Kosidlak nominated Commissioner Obejas for Chairperson and Chairperson Thomas nominated Commissioner Kosidlak for Chairperson. There were no further nominations and Commissioner Kosidlak was elected Chairperson on a 4-2 roll call vote (absent Commissioner Habel).

Commissioner Obejas nominated Commissioner Suruki for Vice-Chairperson. There were no further nominations and Commissioner Suruki was elected Vice-Chairperson on a 6-0 roll call vote (absent Commissioner Habel).

7B. REVIEW OF TRAFFIC DATA AND PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE TRIAL SOUTHBOUND CLOSURE OF FLAGLER LANE FROM BERYL STREET TO TOWERS STREET

Deputy Public Works Director Finton provided background on the item and recommended the Commission review traffic data and take public comment related to the three-week trial southbound closure of Flagler Lane from Beryl Street to Towers Street.

Associate Engineer Lotus reviewed traffic counts taken before and during the southbound Flagler Lane closure at 13 locations (Attachment 4) to evaluate how traffic circulation was affected by the closure. She reported traffic in the neighborhood bounded by Beryl Street, 190th Street, Entradero Avenue, Del Amo Boulevard, and the west City limits was reduced by 2,671 vehicles or 16% during the trial closure.

Commissioner Obejas received clarification from staff.

From 7:31 p.m. to 8:03 p.m. the Commission took input from members of the public.

At Commissioner Obejas's suggestion, Torrance Police Sergeant Koenig spoke about enforcement efforts.

Deputy Public Works Director Finton answered Commissioners' queries and advised that staff would consider future actions that may be taken, if any, and bring back their recommendation at a future meeting.

8. COMMISSION AND STAFF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the Commission spoke.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: At 8:27 p.m., Commissioner Obejas moved to adjourn the meeting to October 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room. Commissioner Farao seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected approval.

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Subject to Approval

Traffic Commission Meeting
October 4, 2021

Agenda Item No. 7a

TO: Traffic Commission
FROM: Craig Bilezerian, Public Works Director
SUBJECT: Review of Traffic Devices and Capital Improvement Projects

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Works Director recommends that the Traffic Commission receive a presentation regarding traffic devices and capital improvement projects in the City.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Public Works Department staff have installed and are planning to install traffic devices to calm traffic, and to enhance visibility and observance of traffic control devices on City roadways. This report along with the presentation to be given tonight will give an overview of actions being taken by staff to improve traffic conditions in the City. Included in the presentation will be devices being installed and capital improvement projects being pursued by the City to enhance traffic conditions and to maintain our transportation infrastructure. Images of traffic devices are provided in Attachment 3 and maps of Capital Project locations are provided in Attachments 4 and 5.

Traffic Devices - Radar Feedback Signs

Fifteen Radar Feedback Signs (RFBSs) have been installed in the City and three more will be installed soon. RFBSs are large electronic display signs mounted on poles or posts that measure and display actual vehicle speeds to drivers in real time. This feedback informs drivers if they are going over the speed limit and if they need to slow down. RFBSs are deployed at locations shown on Attachment 1.

Traffic Devices - Radar Feedback Trailer

Two radar feedback trailers were purchased in August 2021. Their purpose is to provide a temporary mobile RFBS to deploy in response to citizen requests.

Traffic Devices - Solar Flashing Beacons

Previously, the City installed red flashing beacons at all-way stops at two intersections on Van Ness Avenue. Eleven (11) additional flashing red beacons were purchased recently for installation at three intersections: Palos Verdes Blvd at Carson Street and Linda Drive; and, Anza Avenue at 234th Street. These beacons are used to enhance visibility of existing stop signs on arterial and collector streets. Flashing yellow warning beacons are being installed at two locations: Plaza del Amo eastbound east of Madrona Avenue; and, Sepulveda Blvd west of Walnut Street. Flashing beacons are deployed at locations shown on Attachment 2.

Traffic Devices - Yellow Reflectorized Traffic Signal Backplates

Traffic signals are equipped with a large sheet metal backplates that surround traffic signal indications. These backplates are typically painted black or dark green. To enhance traffic signal indication visibility, the City has installed yellow reflectorized backplates at the intersection of Lomita Boulevard and Ocean Avenue. Addition installations are planned at select locations.

Traffic Devices - Touchless Pedestrian Push Buttons at Traffic Signals.

Presently, pedestrians must press pedestrian push buttons to activate pedestrian timing at traffic signals. Touchless pedestrian push buttons are being developed that use motion sensing technology to allow a pedestrian to activate the traffic signal without touching it. A test installation of touchless pedestrian push buttons is planned in the near future and a larger deployment is planned in the future.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

The City is currently pursuing the transportation, street rehabilitation and pedestrian projects listed below. The presentation tonight will include a description of each project. Project locations are provided on Attachment 4 unless indicated differently in the table below.

Project Number	Project Description
Transportation Improvements	
T 131	Intersection Improvements – Hawthorne Blvd. & Pacific Coast Highway
T 154	Anza/Vista Montana/Pacific Coast Highway Intersection Improvements
T 155	I-405 at 182nd Street/Crenshaw Blvd operational improvements
T 143	Project Study Report (PSR) for Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) at Crenshaw Blvd Intersection Improvement
T 157	Crenshaw Boulevard Intersection Improvements and 208th Street Extension
T 171	Citywide Traffic Signal Improvements - Lomita Blvd at Madison Street Traffic Signal
T 177	Plaza del Amo at Western Ave (SR 213) Mobility Enhancement
T 189	City of Torrance Transportation Management System Improvements
T 190	Citywide Traffic Engineering and Improvements - RFBSs, Beacons, Push Buttons, Etc.
Street Rehabilitation	
I 147	Crenshaw Boulevard Rehabilitation (182nd Street to North City Limit)
I 144	Anza Avenue Rehabilitation (190th to Sepulveda)
I 187	Redondo Beach Blvd Rehabilitation
I 159	Residential Pavement Improvement Program (Attachment 5)
I 139	Arterial Pavement Improvement Program (Attachment 5)
Pedestrian Improvements	
I 188	Torrance School Safety and Accessibility Program
I 135	Sidewalk Repair for handicap accessibility
I-152	Sidewalk Ramping and Grinding

Further information about all active infrastructure projects can be found on our Public Works website at <https://www.torranceca.gov/our-city/capital-improvement-projects>

Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG BILEZERIAN
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

By 
Steve Finton
Deputy Public Works Director-
City Engineer

Attachment 1: Radar Feedback Signs Locations

Attachment 2: Flashing Red and Yellow Beacons Locations

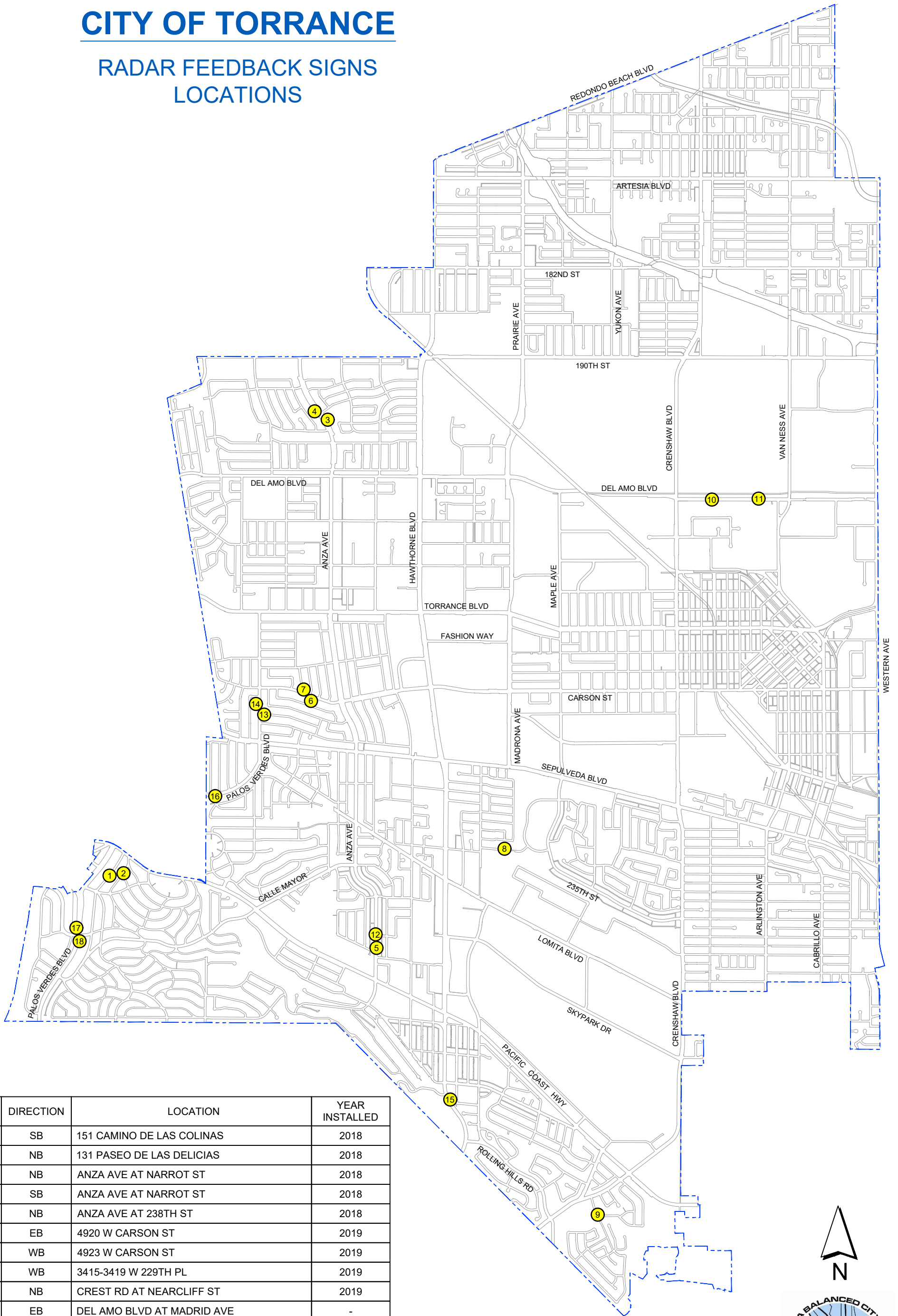
Attachment 3: Traffic Devices

Attachment 4: Transportation, Street Rehabilitation and Pedestrian Improvements

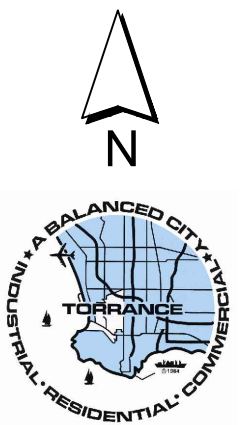
Attachment 5: I-139/159 project maps

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RADAR FEEDBACK SIGNS LOCATIONS

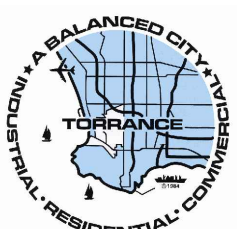
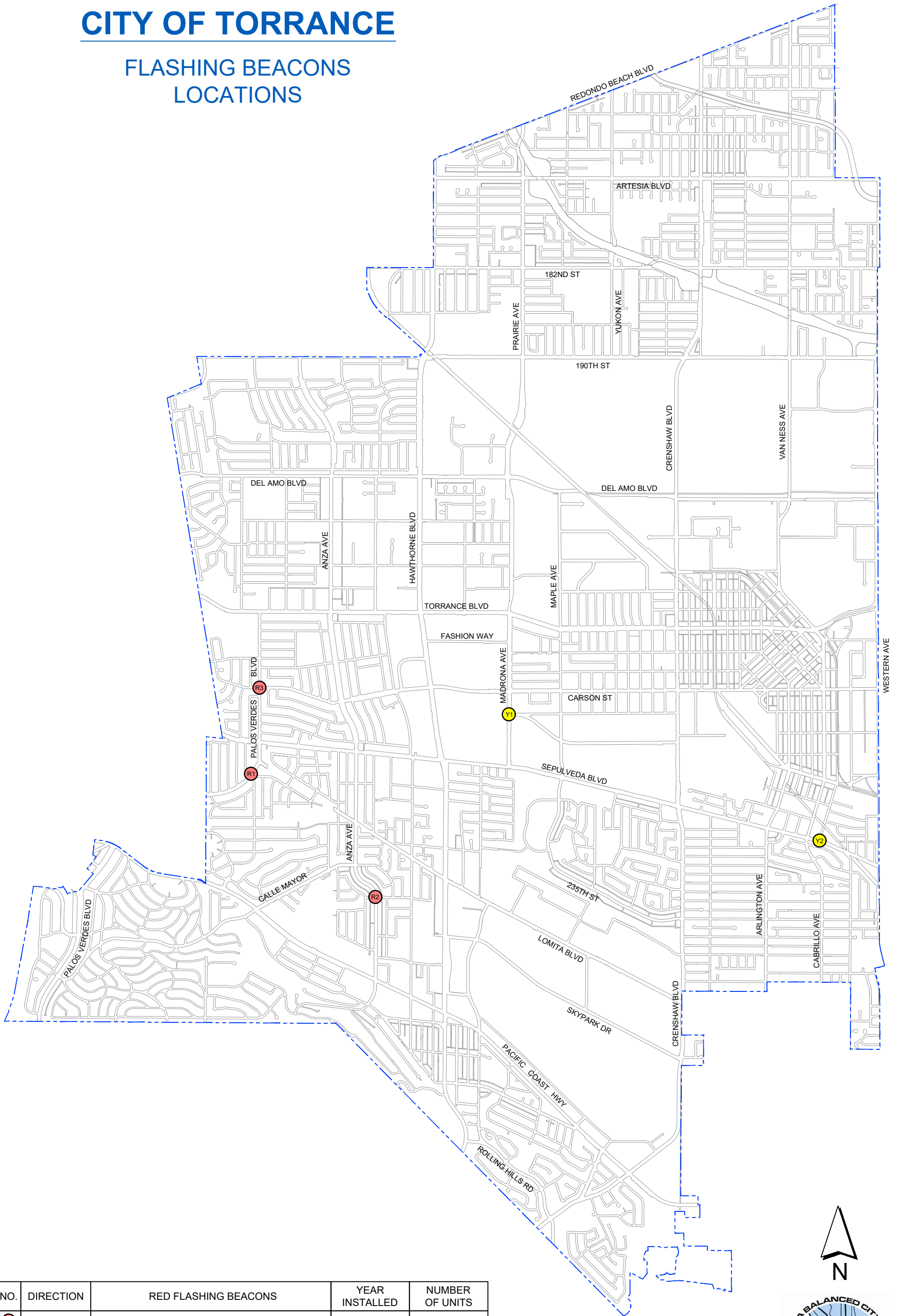


NO.	DIRECTION	LOCATION	YEAR INSTALLED
1	SB	151 CAMINO DE LAS COLINAS	2018
2	NB	131 PASEO DE LAS DELICIAS	2018
3	NB	ANZA AVE AT NARROT ST	2018
4	SB	ANZA AVE AT NARROT ST	2018
5	NB	ANZA AVE AT 238TH ST	2018
6	EB	4920 W CARSON ST	2019
7	WB	4923 W CARSON ST	2019
8	WB	3415-3419 W 229TH PL	2019
9	NB	CREST RD AT NEARCLIFF ST	2019
10	EB	DEL AMO BLVD AT MADRID AVE	-
11	WB	2131 DEL AMO BLVD	-
12	SB	ANZA AVE AT 236TH ST	-
13	NB	5231 LAURETTE ST (PALOS VERDES BLVD)	2020
14	SB	21913-21917 PALOS VERDES BLVD	2020
15	NB	HAWTHORNE BLVD AT VIA VALMONTE	2021
16	EB	PALOS VERDES BLVD AT SHADYCROFT AVE	PENDING
17	NB	PALOS VERDES BLVD AT CALLE MIRAMAR	PENDING
18	SB	PALOS VERDES BLVD AT CALLE MIRAMAR	PENDING



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FLASHING BEACONS LOCATIONS



NO.	DIRECTION	RED FLASHING BEACONS	YEAR INSTALLED	NUMBER OF UNITS
R1	NB & SB	PALOS VERDES BLVD AT LINDA DR	PENDING	3
R2	NB & SB	ANZA AVE AT 234TH ST	PENDING	4
R3	NB & SB	PALOS VERDES BLVD AT CARSON ST	PENDING	2

NO.	DIRECTION	YELLOW FLASHING BEACONS	YEAR INSTALLED	NUMBER OF UNITS
Y1	EB	PLAZA DEL AMO E/O MADRONA AVE	2021	1
Y2	EB	SEPULVEDA BLVD E/O BORDER AVE	PENDING	1

TRAFFIC DEVICES

ATTACHMENT 3



Flashing Red Beacon
Carmanah (R247-E)



Flashing Yellow Beacon
SA-SO



Radar Feedback Sign
Traffic Logic (SP650)



Radar Speed Trailer
WANCO (WSDT 3)

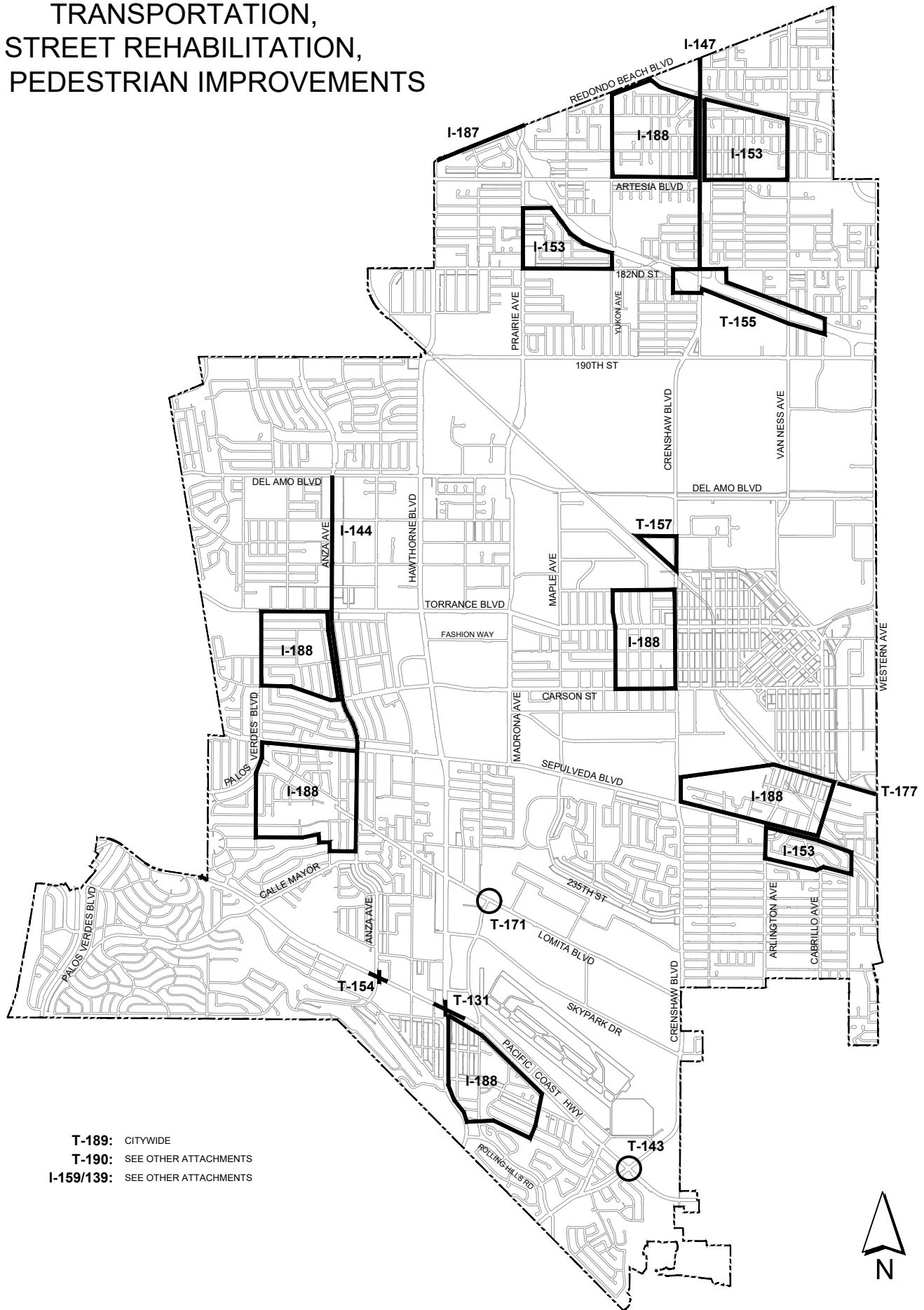


Backplate
for Traffic Signal Head



Pedestrian Push Button
Campbell Company
(Guardian Wave)

TRANSPORTATION, STREET REHABILITATION, AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS



- T-189: CITYWIDE
- T-190: SEE OTHER ATTACHMENTS
- I-159/139: SEE OTHER ATTACHMENTS






PROJECT LOCATION MAP

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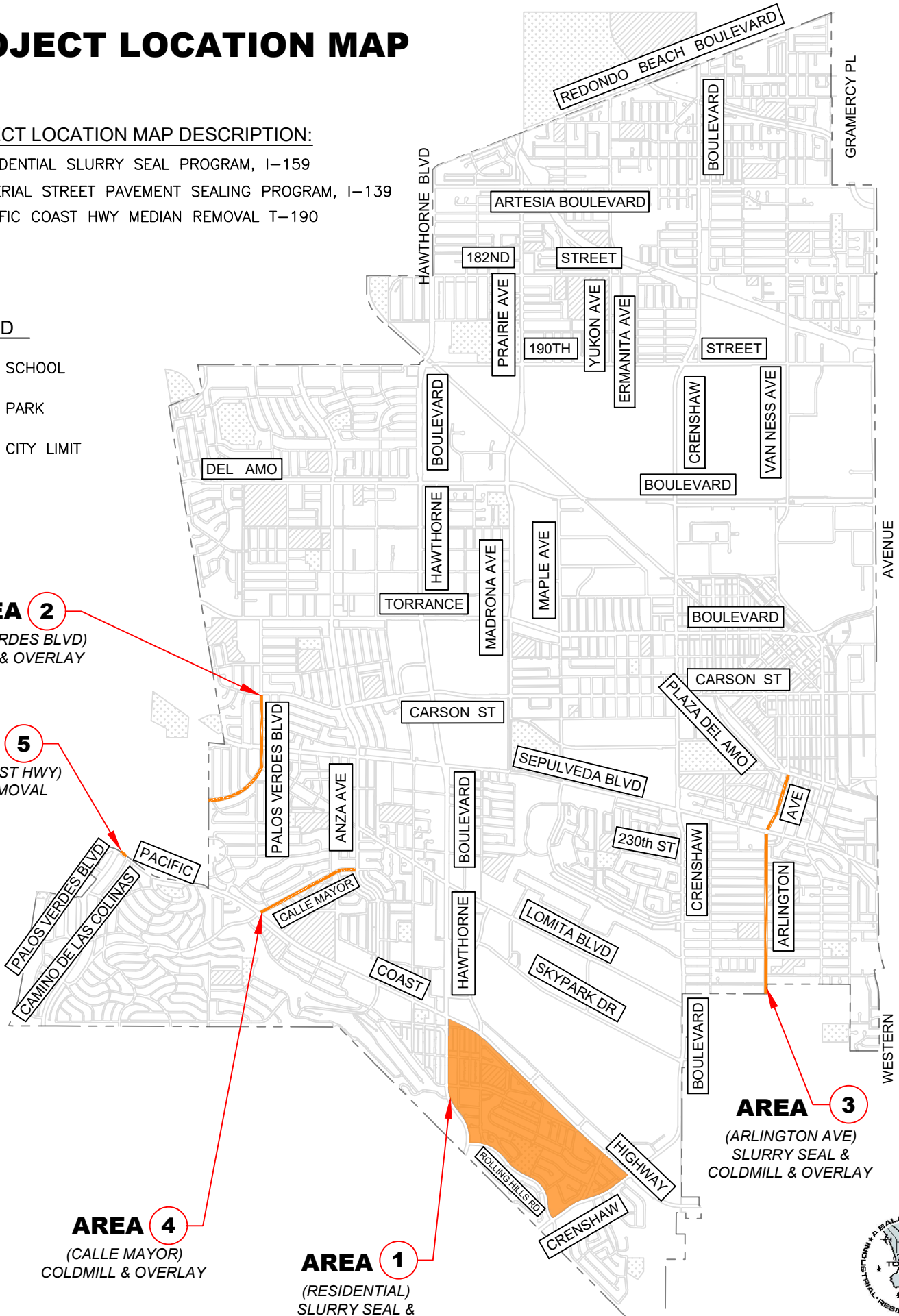
- ① RESIDENTIAL SLURRY SEAL PROGRAM, I-159
- ②③④ ARTERIAL STREET PAVEMENT SEALING PROGRAM, I-139
- ⑤ PACIFIC COAST HWY MEDIAN REMOVAL T-190

LEGEND

-  SCHOOL
-  PARK
-  CITY LIMIT



N.T.S.



AREA 2

(PALOS VERDES BLVD)
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 5

(PACIFIC COAST HWY)
MEDIAN REMOVAL

AREA 4

(CALLE MAYOR)
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 1

(RESIDENTIAL)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 3

(ARLINGTON AVE)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY



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- ① RESIDENTIAL SLURRY SEAL PROGRAM, I-159
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LEGEND

- SCHOOL
- PARK
- CITY LIMIT

AREA 1
(RESIDENTIAL)
SLURRY SEAL

AREA 5
(190th ST)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 3
(CARSON ST)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 2
(PLAZA DEL AMO /
223rd ST)
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 1
(RESIDENTIAL)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 1
(VIA LADO)
SLURRY SEAL

AREA 1
(VIA VALMONTE)
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

6 AREA
(CABRILLO AVE)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

AREA 1
(CALLE MAYOR)
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

4 AREA
(SKYPARK DR)
SLURRY SEAL

AREA 1
(NEWTON ST)

1 AREA
(RESIDENTIAL)
SLURRY SEAL &
COLDMILL & OVERLAY

