



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: August 1, 2017

Title: Sonoran Science Academy School Crosswalk Ordinance

Introduction/Background:

Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School requested a school crosswalk on Sunset Road. West of La Cholla Boulevard, Sunset Road is a two-lane road with a 35 mph speed limit.

Discussion:

Pima County Traffic Engineering Division received a written request from the Principal of Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School for the installation of a non-abutting school crosswalk on Sunset Road. After observation of traffic at class opening and closing times, a school crosswalk location was determined. An Application and Operation Agreement for a School Crossing on Sunset Road has been signed by the Director for Safety and Security of Sonoran Science Academy, the Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School Principal, and the Division Manager for Pima County Traffic Engineering.

Conclusion:

The non-abutting school crosswalk will provide a location for school-aged pedestrians of the surrounding neighborhoods who attend Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School to cross Sunset Road. A location was selected on Sunset Road approximately 45 feet west of Mona Lisa Road. Portable signs and a school-approved adult crossing guard will be present at the school crosswalk during arrival and dismissal per the Application and Operation Agreement for School Crossings.

Recommendation:

Pima County Traffic Engineering recommends approval of the school crosswalk installation on Sunset Road approximately 45 feet west of Mona Lisa Road for Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School.

Fiscal Impact:

Minimal.

Board of Supervisor District:

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County Administrator Signature/Date: C. Dunaway 7/7/17

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ORDINANCE NO. 2017-___

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ESTABLISHING A NON-ABUTTING SCHOOL CROSSWALK ON SUNSET ROAD IN PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona, has the authority under Title 28 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, more specifically Sections 28-627 and 28-797, as amended, to establish non-abutting school crosswalks, and

WHEREAS, The Safety and Security Officer of the Sonoran Science Academy Schools has advised the Board of Supervisors that a non-abutting school crosswalk should be established on Sunset Road approximately 45 feet west of Mona Lisa Road for Sonoran Science Academy Elementary School, and

WHEREAS, the Safety and Security Officer of Sonoran Science Academy Schools has furnished written assurance to the County that crossing guards will be maintained by the School,

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona, that:

SECTION 1. A non-abutting school crosswalk is hereby established at Sunset Road approximately 45 feet west of Mona Lisa Road.

SECTION 2. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are superseded to the extent of such conflicts.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect when and to the extent that portable signs are placed within the highway indicating that school is in session.

SECTION 4. Violators of this ordinance shall be subject to civil or criminal sanctions as provided by law.

SECTION 5. The various county officers and employees are authorized and directed to perform all acts necessary or desirable to give effect to this ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017

PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chair

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

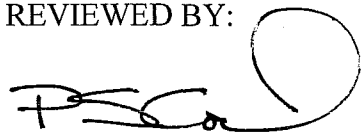
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Deputy County Attorney

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REVIEWED BY:



Director of Transportation



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March 17, 2017

Mr. Mark Baird
Pima County

Mr. Baird,

My name is Jeff Michaelson, Director of Safety and Security for Sonoran Schools. We have a school, Sonoran Science Academy, at 2325 W. Sunset Rd., Tucson, AZ 85714.

As discussed over the phone, this is a formal request for a crosswalk near the intersection of Mona Lisa and Sunset Rd. where a number of our students and parents cross Sunset to enter the housing development to the north of the school.

With the crosswalk and the rolling signs with reduced speed limit on them, Sonoran Science Academy assumes the responsibility of rolling out the signs before school, roll off the road after morning arrival (signs facing away from traffic) and then rolling the signs out at the end of the school day and then returned off the road when students and parents have completed the day's dismissal.

Thank you again for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

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