

**CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO: R2014-577**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING
AN EVALUATION PROCESS FOR EXISTING BARRICADES AND EMERGENCY
GATES ON CITY STREETS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish has an existing street network; and

WHEREAS, said street network includes public rights of way that are currently blocked by barricades and/or emergency gates; and

WHEREAS, there are residents of the City of Sammamish that desire certain barricades and/or emergency gates to remain in place; and

WHEREAS, there are residents of the City of Sammamish that desire certain barricades and/or emergency gates to be removed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires a fair and transparent public process to evaluate each barricade on its unique characteristics; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted RESOLUTION 2012-492 on April 3, 2012 memorializing the process the City will follow to evaluate each barricade and emergency gate within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal and replace RESOLUTION 2012-492 with this new RESOLUTION;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Repeal and replace RESOLUTION 2012-492.

Section 2. Establishment of the Process to Individually Evaluate Existing Barricades and Emergency Gates on City Streets. All existing barricades and emergency gates within the City of Sammamish may be evaluated individually, and when such evaluation is programmed by the City Council, staff shall adhere to the following process:

Area of Influence Establishment by City staff:

City staff shall define the area of influence for the barricade location by use of the city's transportation model.

Information Gathering by City staff:

City staff shall gather all data available on existing barricades and emergency gates throughout the City, including but not limited to, the following:

- Existing traffic volumes and speeds on neighboring streets;
- Predicted traffic volumes with and without the barricade in place (based on the city's traffic model); and
- History of barricade placement and surrounding infrastructure improvements; and
- Adjoining plat conditions relevant to barricades.

Public Involvement:

City staff shall provide an area on the City's website dedicated to the barricade and emergency gate being studied, as well as a way for residents to send in questions/concerns electronically. All comments, questions and concerns submitted in writing shall be made available on the website for the public to view.

Public Open House: No. 1 – Gather Information:

City staff shall hold an open house style public meeting with residents from the predetermined area of influence.

Invitations shall be mailed to residents living within the area of influence.

The meeting shall also be advertised in a way that will reach the targeted audience.

The open house style public meeting shall be an opportunity to exchange information and data.

The meeting shall also provide an opportunity for residents to share their concerns and questions with city staff in relation to the following pre-established criteria:

- Safety as it relates to non-motorized traffic
- Safety as it relates to vehicular traffic
- Roadway geometry
- Roadway amenities/standards
- Environmental impacts
- Neighborhood character
- Cost of potential traffic mitigation

Evaluation:

City staff shall evaluate each barricade and emergency gate using the collected data, public feedback and established evaluation criteria list above. Including the development of a draft mitigation plan and associated cost estimate.

City staff shall develop a recommendation on whether the barricade and/or emergency gate should remain as is, be modified or be removed.

Public Open House: No. 2 – Discuss Staff Recommendation:

City staff shall hold a second open house style public meeting with residents from the predetermined area of influence.

Invitations shall be mailed to residents living within the area of influence.

The meeting shall also be advertised in a way that will reach the targeted audience.

The open house style public meeting shall be an opportunity to exchange information and data.

The second meeting shall also provide an opportunity for staff to share their recommendations with the public and gather input prior to taking said recommendations to City Council for their consideration.

City Council Review:

Staff shall provide their recommendation to City Council for their consideration on whether the barricade and/or emergency gate should remain as is, be modified or be removed.

Traffic Mitigation Plan Development/Refinement:

If it is determined that traffic mitigation is necessary, staff will refine a recommended plan for the public's consideration and review.

Public Open House: No. 3 – Discuss Proposed Traffic Mitigation Plan:

If it is determined that traffic mitigation is necessary, City staff shall hold a third open house style public meeting with residents from the predetermined area of influence.

Invitations shall be mailed to residents living within the area of influence.

The meeting shall also be advertised in a way that will reach the targeted audience.

The open house style public meeting shall be an opportunity to exchange information and data.

The third meeting shall provide an opportunity for residents to share their comments, concerns, questions and suggested modifications to the proposed traffic mitigation plan.

City Council Review and Decision:

If it is determined that traffic mitigation is necessary, City staff will present recommended improvements to the City Council for their consideration along with a summary of public comments and concerns related to said improvements. At this time, the City Council will make a

final decision on the existing barricade or emergency gate based on the established evaluation criteria and public input, as well as any related improvements according to the proposed traffic mitigation plan, if any.

After Data:

If modifications to the existing barricaded and/or gated area are made, traffic data shall be collected after all improvements are completed. The after data shall be shared with the City Council and placed on the City's website.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon signing.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING THEREOF ON THE
1st DAY OF APRIL, 2014.**

CITY OF SAMMAMISH



Mayor Thomas E Vance

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



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Approved as to form:



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