



Report to City Council

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Melissa Walker, Public Works Director/City Engineer

AGENDA DATE: January 21, 2025

TITLE: PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF DAVIS ROAD FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACCESS (REPORT OF: PUBLIC WORKS)

TITLE SUMMARY: A Public Hearing to Adopt Resolution Number 2025-XX for the Temporary Closure of Davis Road for Right-of-Way Access, Located on Davis Road Between Alessandro Boulevard and the Terminus of Davis Road

Recommendation(s)

1. Conduct a Public Hearing to adopt Resolution Number 2025-XX a Resolution of the City of Moreno Valley for the temporary closure of Davis Road for right-of-way access, located on Davis Road Between Alessandro Boulevard and the terminus of Davis Road, approximately 3,785 feet south of Alessandro Boulevard.

SUMMARY

This report recommends the temporary closure of Davis Road for right-of-way access. Davis Road is a small, unimproved segment of roadway primarily used as a utility easement. The road ends at approximately 3,785 feet south of Alessandro Boulevard, located in the southeast portion of Moreno Valley near the city limits. Davis Road is neither designated as a highway, collector, nor arterial road, and does not provide access to any Moreno Valley residential communities or retail establishments. The temporary closure of Davis Road for right-of-way purposes will not adversely impact traffic circulation in the area, nor will it pose any impact to the General Fund.

DISCUSSION

Davis Road is a small, unimproved segment of roadway located in the southeastern portion of Moreno Valley, near the city limits. The road is adjacent to commercial and state-owned parcels that primarily use Davis Road for utility access purposes. The terminus of Davis Road ends approximately 3,785 feet south of Alessandro Boulevard, where an existing gate is accessible by the adjacent property owners and agencies. Davis Road is not designated as a highway, collector, or arterial road and does not provide right-of-way access to any Moreno Valley residential communities or retail establishments.

Agencies that utilize the access include the State of California, Southern California Edison, and other organizations. Due to the remote location, and the current right-of-way access, Davis Road has been subject to ongoing public nuisance activities such as loitering, illegal dumping, and other illegal activities that have negatively impacted the City and surrounding property owners. Therefore, staff recommends the temporary closure of Davis Road for right-of-way access. Upon closure of the road, staff recommends constructing a highly visible reflective pipe gate at the entrance of Davis Road near Alessandro Blvd as an added measure to mitigate the unwanted public nuisance activities further. Approval of the temporary road closure will help deter the public nuisance activity and reduce the ongoing cleanup and maintenance burden imposed upon the City and surrounding property owners due to the illegal dumping and other public nuisance activities.

Additionally, the closure of Davis Road aligns with the facilitation of future planned development projects. These plans will include contingencies for constructing an improved alternate access route for the adjacent property owners and agencies. Since this segment of Davis Road is not a highway or arterial road in the City of Moreno Valley, the temporary closure for right-of-way purposes will not adversely impact traffic circulation in the area.

According to California Vehicle Code Section 21101.4, the City has the authority to request the closure of a road for eight consecutive, 18-month terms (144 months or 12 years) due to ongoing public nuisance impacts. This report marks the first official 18-month period, which will expire in June 2026. Prior to the initial expiration date, planned development activity will include pursuing the vacation of Davis Road, which will be presented before the City Council in a separate action.

As part of the notification process, public notices about this action have been posted at the location, informing the public of the upcoming closure of this segment of Davis Road. Additionally, letters were also mailed to adjacent property owners on December 28, 2024.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve and authorize the recommendations as presented in this report. *This alternative will allow the street closure to move forward in a timely manner. Staff recommends this alternative.*
2. Do not approve the recommended actions as presented in this staff report. *This alternative will result in maintaining the right-of-way access to Davis Road, which will foster continued loitering, illegal dumping and unwanted public nuisance*

activity. Staff does not recommend this action.

FISCAL IMPACT

The project is funded by the existing operation budget. There is no impact to the General Fund.

NOTIFICATION

Publication of the agenda.

As part of the notification process, public notices about this action have been posted at the location informing the public of the upcoming closure, and the adjacent property owners have been notified as of January 9, 2025.

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CITY COUNCIL GOALS

Community Image, Neighborhood Pride and Cleanliness: Promote a sense of community pride and foster an excellent image about our City by developing and executing programs which will result in quality development, enhanced neighborhood preservation efforts, including home rehabilitation and neighborhood restoration.

Positive Environment: Create a positive environment for the development of Moreno Valley's future.

Public Safety: Provide a safe and secure environment for people and property in the community, control the number and severity of fire and hazardous material incidents, and provide protection for citizens who live, work and visit the City of Moreno Valley.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- 1. Economic Development**
- 2. Public Safety**
- 3. Library**
- 4. Infrastructure**
- 5. Beautification, Community Engagement, and Quality of Life**
- 6. Youth Programs**

Objective 2.1: Reduce crime, the fear of crime, and the perception of crime in the community.

Objective 2.2: Engage the community in joint problem solving and crime prevention activities.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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