



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer
Date: February 28, 2023

Subject: Ordinance to prohibit commercial vehicles exceeding a maximum gross weight of 20,000 pounds at all times on various roads, North Richmond area.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

CONSIDER introducing Ordinance No. 2023-06 to prohibit commercial vehicles exceeding a maximum gross weight of 20,000 pounds at all times on Fred Jackson Way (Road No. 0461A), Market Avenue (Road No. 0562), Chesley Avenue (Road No. 05464A), Gertrude Avenue (Road No. 0564E), First Street (Road No. 0565U), Fifth Street (Road No. 0565AA), Sixth Street (Road No. 0565AC), North Richmond area; WAIVE reading; and FIX March 7, 2023 for adoption. (District I) (100% Local Road Funds)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Nominal costs to install signs to provide notice of weight restricted roadways. (100% Local Road funds)

BACKGROUND:

In February 2007, the former Contra Costa County Redevelopment Agency prepared the North Richmond Truck Route Study to develop an alternative route for trucks to reduce truck traffic in the residential area of North Richmond and Verde Elementary School, and to establish a link to major transportation corridors, including Richmond Parkway. The study

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/28/2023** ☐ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 28, 2023

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Supervisors

By: , Deputy

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designated unincorporated County roadways Richmond Parkway and Parr Boulevard as an alternative truck route to the east side of North Richmond. Trucks exceeding weight limits on weight-restricted designated unincorporated county and city roadways will be entitled to travel through the weight-restricted area using reasonably direct routes.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

On February 1, 2012, all California Redevelopment Agencies, including the Contra Costa County Redevelopment Agency were dissolved by State law. No project has since been developed to reduce truck traffic in the residential area on North Richmond and Verde Elementary School.

After receiving ongoing complaints from residents about heavy trucks passing through local residential streets in North Richmond, the community requested that Contra Costa County Public Works Department restrict heavy trucks from using their roadways as a bypass to destinations outside of North Richmond. The County has developed a truck restriction sign plan designed to reduce truck traffic in the residential area of North Richmond and Verde Elementary School. Unincorporated County roadways Richmond Parkway and Parr Boulevard may serve as an alternative route for commercial trucks to travel to and from the east and west sides of North Richmond. Richmond Parkway may serve as an alternate route for commercial trucks to travel to and from the north and south sides of North Richmond.

It should be noted that this 10 Ton truck restriction matches those already established just south of North Richmond by the City of Richmond on their neighborhood roadways.

In order to prohibit heavy trucks from using the neighborhood roads Fred Jackson Way, Market Avenue, Chesley Avenue, Gertrude Avenue, First Street, Fifth Street, and Sixth Street as cut-throughs, the Public Works Department recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt an ordinance to restrict commercial vehicles with a gross weight of more than 20,000 pounds (10 Ton) from using these roadways, subject to exceptions prescribed by law.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The ordinance will not be introduced, and the 10 ton weight restriction shall not be imposed on neighborhood roads.

CLERK'S ADDENDUM

Speaker: No name given.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance 2023-06