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**DATE:** November 19, 2008

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Matthew G. Winegar, AICP, Development Services Director  
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**SUBJECT:** Update on Citywide Traffic Mitigation Plan

**RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council receive and file report.

**DISCUSSION**

This report is intended to provide City Council with an update on the development status of the citywide Traffic Mitigation Plan. The Traffic Mitigation Plan has three components: 1) Intersection and Roadway Improvement Plan, 2) ITS Master Plan, and 3) Circulation and Related Goals and Policies contained in the draft 2030 Oxnard General Plan.

1. INTERSECTION AND ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The General Plan and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) require that impacts are mitigated by new development. As projects are approved and constructed, whether they are new or redevelopment, they are required by CEQA to improve roadways and intersections if they create adverse impacts. Currently, there are 27 intersection and roadway improvements anticipated to be completed within ten years, directly funded by developers or from a variety of traffic impact fees and/or state and federal programs. Staff is updating the Oxnard Traffic Model to incorporate September 2008 traffic count data. Once completed, staff will refine the Intersection and Roadway Improvement Plan with the intent to return to City Council before the end of the calendar year.

2. INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (ITS) MASTER PLAN

The ITS Master Plan is essentially the networking of up to 179 signalized intersections to a central control facility. The ITS will maximize our existing street system and improve response time for public safety by allowing signals to respond to actual traffic conditions. The ITS will provide the

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ability to collect and process real-time traffic information from remote locations and from adjoining jurisdictions and Caltrans. The ITS Master Plan was adopted by the City Council at its meeting of October 14, 2008 and the ITS Master Plan document was previously distributed and remains available on the Public Works Internet homepage under "Traffic Engineering." There have been no changes to the ITS Master Plan document.

The ITS Master Plan spells out how best to implement, operate and maintain an ITS. The City will first need to construct a Traffic Management Center (TMC) to house the ITS equipment and operator. There are 179 ITS Master Plan intersections, including 13 owned by Caltrans that will be relinquished to the City in the near future. ITS is critical to improving 11 intersections identified in the 2030 General Plan Update Alternative B that would otherwise operate below Level of Service (LOS) C without mitigations.

Based on City Council direction, staff is coordinating tours at agencies with working intelligent transportation systems while at the same time completing the ITS Master Plan financing and implementation strategy. Staff plans on presenting the ITS Master Plan financing and implementation strategy to the Transportation Policy Committee for review and to City Council for its consideration early next year.

### 3. CIRCULATION AND RELATED GOALS AND POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE DRAFT 2030 OXNARD GENERAL PLAN.

The Goals and Policies Report of the Oxnard 2030 General Plan is the essence of the General Plan. Goals and Policies, Chapter 4, of the draft 2030 Oxnard General Plan is the document that pertains to general circulation and traffic in particular. Policies pertaining to LOS and other traffic mitigations can be considered by the City Council as part of the Traffic Mitigation Plan. The entirety of the 2030 General Plan with its EIR will be released for public review by the end of 2008, and then considered in early 2009 by the City Council.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There are no financial impacts to adopting the report.

JMS:joh

Note: The ITS Master Plan has been provided to the City Council and is available at the following Internet address: <http://publicworks.cityofoxnard.org/Department.aspx?DepartmentID=14&DivisionID=56>