

**City Of Woodland  
Council Agenda Summary Sheet**

<b>Agenda Item:</b>  Approval of direction for increased signage on SR 503/Goerig Intersection by floodwall	<b>Agenda Item #:</b>	<u>Action ( O )</u>
	<b>For Agenda of:</b>	<u>May 20, 2013</u>
	<b>Department:</b>	<u>Public Works</u>
	<b>Date Submitted:</b>	<u>May 15, 2013</u>

**Cost of Item:** NA  
**Amount Budgeted:** NA  
**Unexpended Balance:** NA

**BARS #:** NA  
**Description:** NA

**Department Supervisor Approval:** Public Works Department /s/ *Bart Stepp*  
**Committee Recommendation:** Public Works Committee voted 2-0 on 5/14/13 to forward to City Council with due pass recommendation

**Agenda Item Supporting Narrative (list attachments, supporting documents):**

- 1) 5/10/13 memorandum regarding SR 503/Goerig Intersection Changes

**Summary Statement:**

The Public Works Committee discussed on 5/14/13 what options there are for the SR 503/Goerig Intersection. PWD Stepp presented a list of options for discussion. PWD Stepp indicated some of the extra signage described by folks was not listed in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices so it is unknown whether WSDOT would allow that signage on SR 503. Reducing the speed limit would also require WSDOT approval and probably require a speed study.

The Committee did not feel closing off the intersection or restricting left turn lanes is needed at this point.

Committee Recommendation

The committee recommendation is to have PWD Stepp work with WSDOT to see what additional signage could be placed at the intersection. The committee also recommended the City review the intersection again once the Scott Avenue/SR 503 Intersection Improvement is done in 2015.



## MEMORANDUM

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Date: May 10, 2013  
From: Bart Stepp, PE, Public Works Director  
To: Public Works Committee  
Cc:  
Subject: SR 503/Goerig Intersection Changes

Below are some options for the SR 503/Goerig Intersection. Council has requested a recommendation from the Public Works Committee for the 5/20 City Council Meeting.

1. No Changes
2. Install medians to eliminate left turns
3. Reduce the speed at the intersection
4. Install "Left Turn Yield to Oncoming Traffic" sign
5. Other signage
6. Close off Goerig completely with SR 503

### Director Comments on Options

1. WSDOT recently refreshed the striping at the intersection. Since they restriped it and added signage last year there have not been any accidents that I am aware of although based on testimony there are numerous close calls.
2. Installing the medians would eliminate the main issue at that intersection although it would shift the left turns to E. Scott. That intersection has more vision than Goerig but is very congested at peak times so the City would be adding to congestion there. This might make more sense after the SR 503/Scott Avenue is improved in 2015.
3. This was a suggestion by a resident after the 5/6 Council Meeting. I do not know if WSDOT would allow this and I do not see how this would solve the problem of people who assume SR 503 goes straight.
4. The sign "Left Turn Yield to Oncoming Traffic" is not part of the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices Manual (MUTCD) which is the standard for signage. Because of that WSDOT might not approve the installation of that sign on SR 503. If the Committee likes this sign as their recommendation I would ask WSDOT prior to the 5/20 Council Meeting whether this is acceptable to them.
5. WSDOT has installed the standard signs for this type of intersection. Other signage like something overhead or LED flashing signs is outside of the budget WSDOT is willing to pay for these improvements.
6. Based on the accident rate here closing off Goerig would be overkill for the situation.