



REQUESTS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

GENERAL INFORMATION

Each year, the City of El Centro receives many inquiries about stop signs, speed limit signs, warning signs, traffic signals and other traffic control devices. The City takes these inquiries very seriously and makes a concerted effort to respond to these kinds of inquiries in a timely manner.

Public understanding of the function of stop signs and traffic accidents.



is one of the critical elements in reducing speeding

All requests for changes to traffic control devices listed warrants provided in the Californian Manual

are carefully evaluated using the following established Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

The following information explains the City's policies and procedures for requests from members of the public about traffic control devices on City maintained intersections and streets.

The California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) determines the size, shape and color of all traffic signs. This manual has criteria for installing signs and thus creates uniformity from state to state. The criteria are also known as "traffic warrants".

INSTALLATION POLICIES FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

These warrants identify specific traffic, bicycle unusual conditions, which must be present at the control devices may be installed.



and pedestrian volumes, accident history, and any intersection or mid-block location before these traffic

PROCEDURES FOR REQUESTING CHANGES TO TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Requests for new traffic control devices and changes to existing traffic control devices by City residents are best submitted via the Online Request for City Service Form located on the City's web site at:

<http://www.cityofelcentro.org/>

All requests are evaluated by the City Engineer using the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD). The CA MUTCD can be viewed at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/signtech/mutcdsupp/pdf/camutcd/CaliforniaMUTCD.pdf>

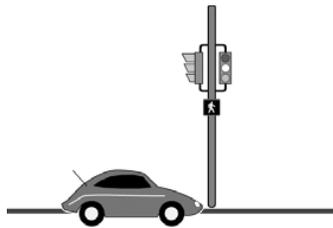
When necessary data is collected and a site visit an existing traffic control device or to install a completed by the Public Works Department's

Sometimes, depending on the nature of the re- the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) if funding. If there is insufficient funding the project is placed on a list of future projects to be funded.



is made. If a decision is made to make a change to new one, a work order is issued and the work is Street Maintenance Division.

quest, it may be necessary to program a project into funding is available or placed on a list for future funding.



The resident making the request is notified of the results (if they request contact) and the request is closed out and documented in the Department's database.

ADDRESSING CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

The City takes its role in solving traffic problems very seriously, yet the ultimate burden of safety rests with you, the citizens of El Centro. Since we receive numerous requests per year, we cannot always investigate your request as quickly as we would like to. However, we will respond after carefully evaluating your request. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

REQUESTS AND INQUIRES

If you have any questions, requests or suggestions concerning crosswalks or traffic in general, please call the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department at **(760) 337-5182** or submit your request via the Online Request for City Service Form.